

MINUTES – WAYLAND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Special Session – April 7, 2013

A Special Session of the Wayland School Committee was held on Sunday, April 7, 2013, at 12:30 P.M. at Wayland High School Field House.

Present were:

Barb Fletcher, Chair
Beth Butler, Vice Chair
Malcolm Astley
Ellen Grieco

Absent:

Shawn Kinney

Also:

Paul Stein
Superintendent

Chair Barb Fletcher convened the Special Session at 7:01 P.M.

1. **Comments and Written Statements from the Public:**

There were no public comments or written statements.

2. **Audit Committee:**

Barb Fletcher reported on the status of the Audit Committee's review of the proposals received in response to the RFP for the audit/review of school accounts. The Audit Committee conducted reference checks on Powers & Sullivan and voted 4-0 to recommend Powers & Sullivan to the School Committee as their first choice for a firm to conduct the work described in the RFP. The School Committee agreed to defer its vote until the end of this Town Meeting session in order to allow public comment to be received.

3. **Update of Outstanding Capital Requests:**

Barb updated the Committee on the outstanding capital requests from prior years.

4. **Article 14:**

- Brud Wright, Recreation Commission member, provided an overview of the Article that will come before Town Meeting.
- The project proposes that 1-3 fields will be developed at the Loker Conservation Area for baseball purposes only.
- If approved, the Recreation Commission would no longer use the baseball fields at Claypit Hill.
- If the school does not use the baseball fields for its own purposes, the Recreation Commission would like to use the fields for a different use, such as additional soccer fields.
- The School Committee agreed to gather information from the administrators at Claypit as to the use of these fields and discuss at a future meeting.

5. **Recess to Attend Town Meeting:**

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Beth Butler, the School Committee voted unanimously (4-0) to recess at 1:00 P.M. to attend Town Meeting.

6. **Continued Discussion re: Audit/Review of School Accounts:**

The School Committee returned to the Special Session at 3:50 p.m. Barb called for public comment.

Donna Bouchard noted that she was familiar with the work of Powers & Sullivan and favored supporting the recommendation of the Audit Committee to engage Powers & Sullivan to conduct the work as described in the RFP.

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Beth Butler, the School Committee voted unanimously (4-0) to support the recommendation of the Audit Committee and to engage Powers & Sullivan to conduct the audit/review of the school accounts as described in the RFP and to authorize the Chair or the Vice Chair, in her place, to sign the contract authorizing such work to be done.

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7. **Adjournment:**

Upon a motion duly made by Ellen Grieco, seconded by Beth Butler, the School Committee voted unanimously (4-0) to adjourn the Special Session at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stein, Clerk
Wayland School Committee