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BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MEETING JANUARY 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Steven P. Rose, Chairman (via teleconference)
Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via teleconference)
Jason L. Suzor, Associate (via teleconference)

Others present: Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator (via teleconference)
Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant (via teleconference)
Joseph S. Lalli, Esq., Town Counsel (via teleconference)
William Fitzgerald, DPW Director (via teleconference)
Chris Connolly, Esq. (via teleconference)

Chairman Rose announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Board of Selectmen is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. Chairman Rose reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view this meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference in session.

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call. In addition, all anticipated speakers acknowledge their presence by responding in the affirmative when Chairman Rose called their names.

Order of Taking by Eminent Domain of Easements for Harrison Boulevard/Pond Street/Bodwell Street Reconstruction Project

Mr. Fitzgerald informed the Board that pursuant to Article Three of the Special Town Meeting of February 24, 2020, and in accordance with Chapter 79 and 82 of the Massachusetts General Laws, he requested the Board approve the Order of Taking by Eminent Domain of easements for certain properties abutting Pond Street and Bodwell Street as necessary to widen a portion of those roads for a reconstruction project. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that twenty-five (25) parcels of land acquired through an Order of Taking by Eminent Domain were filed last week with the Norfolk Registry of Deeds. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that this evening the remaining four (4) parcels of land to be acquired through a second Order of Taking require a vote by the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that once the Town acquires these parcels of land, it will be recorded this week with the Registry of Deeds, and the property owners will have a right to appeal if they are unsatisfied with the compensation. Mr. Fitzgerald stated

that currently the reconstruction project is on schedule with an advertisement date of January 30, 2021. Construction for the project would be scheduled to begin in the spring.

The parcels of land included in the January 4, 2021 Order of Taking are as follows:

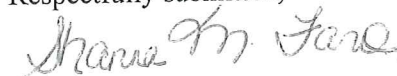
<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Supposed Owner</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Award</u>
C-4-3-26	John R. Leonard et al.	1,208 sf	11153	714	\$4,800.00
C-4-3-25	Jeanine Rene	1,060 sf	37307	77	\$700.00
C-4-3-22	Collin P. Cain and Brian A. Cain	1,816 sf	38131	18	\$3,800.00

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to authorize the Order of Taking by Eminent Domain of Easements for the Harrison Boulevard/Pond Street/Bodwell Street Reconstruction Project the parcels of land and described above and to follow the legal procedures precisely as outlined by Attorney Connolly and Mr. Fitzgerald for this project. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

At 6:20 p.m., Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Workshop Session. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Shanna M. Faro

Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

List of Documents

1. January 4, 2021 Meeting Agenda
2. Order of Taking by Eminent Domain dated January 4, 2021