

Public Hearing  
August 19, 2014

Members Present: Tiffany Maiuri, D. Scott Taylor (Chairman), Paul Berkey, Jr., John Black and Rhonda Irish (Town Manager)

Also Present: Barry Matulaitis, Bill Groder, Tom Whalen, Sue Atwood, Jen McEntee, Melissa McEntee, William Rice, Ann Bryant, Gil Reed, Joan Reed, Gregg Toothaker, Heidi Wilcox, Frank Donald, Ray Jacques and Ben Hanstein

Public Hearing – Community Development Block Grant – Economic Development Program – Barclays Services LLC

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is from the Department of Economic and Community Development and the State of Maine. Any business that is interested must fill out a letter of intent; if it is accepted they will invite you to apply – it does not mean that you get a grant.

- The Town needs to apply on behalf of the business.
- The business does not receive the money all at one time, and the Town has to administer the grant.
- The Town would request the money from the State as the bills come in.
- The Town would sign a contract with Barclays and also sign a contract with the State should this grant be awarded.
- Barclays would need to hire 1 new employee for each \$30,000 received above and this person would be beyond what they were already planning to hire.
- 50% of the people need to be moderate to low income, and this would be determined by someone who is certified to administer CDBG grants.

The requirements for the Town include:

- Completion and documentation of the application
- The financial administration and compliance
- Coordinating the invoices and private matching of the funds
- Will need to be able to show that they have reached the 51% fair hiring
- Need to be available for site visits for compliance with grant requirements

The requirements for Barclays include:

- Need to have proof of fire, hazard insurance
- Need to show a certificate of occupancy

Jen McEntee the Director of Operations at Barclays spoke to explain what Barclays intends to do with the money and to answer any questions from the audience

- Barclays would like to make improvements to the building
- Make the safety improvements and make the building ADA compliant
- To add more seats so that there is more room for hiring more people
- Make improvements to the parking lot

Questions/Comments from the Board and Audience included:

Rhonda: What is the gap funding for? The technology; there is money in the budget for construction, but they need help with the technology to add stability to the network.

Tom: Would like to thank Jen because her leadership has brought people to work in this Community.

There are not many economic incentives to bring businesses here, and jobs need to be generated, if the jobs aren't generated the money doesn't happen.

William Rice: Barclays is one of the biggest banks in the world why would they need money? Jen explained that the company has given them a large budget to make improvements to the building, and the grant will help to serve to fill a gap in the budget.

Barclays has made a commitment to the Town but what guarantees do we have? One assurance is that they don't want to lose their workforce and they want to grow here.

It is still a business deal and a downturn in the economy when things like that happen banks close ranks and the tax payers need to know that this is a bond and they will be held responsible. Barclays has partnered with the Town and they have accountability.

What will the administrative work cost the Town? Rhonda explained that she is hoping to put this into the grant with AVCOG. After the initial paperwork there is not a lot of stuff.

How many people who are employed right now live in Wilton? About 48% live in Wilton, East Wilton and Dryden.

Gil Reed: He is an original owner of the building and he explained that they never ran and they are still here. They are in it to put our people back to work. They have signed a five year contract with Barclays with a fifteen year extension. Since it has become public that Barclays is there as a cornerstone it has opened some people up to joining us; we hope to bring more industry.

Tiffany Maiuri: Barclays has built a longstanding relationship it may seem small but it is much like a credit score and they have built that credit score up. There are risks in everything we do and we thank them for their relationship. They are a sizeable member of the tax base.

Tom Whalen: The Town does have a bond responsibility but it is hardly likely that Barclays will default. They will create new jobs and they are not competing with other companies. They send their people to other Wilton businesses when they visit.

Public Hearing closed at 7:27 pm

Special Town Meeting  
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Community Development Block Grant – Economic Development Program –Barclays Services LLC

Article 1 Tom Saviello was nominated and elected as the Moderator of the meeting. It was asked and allowed to let out of Town residents to speak if needed to answer questions.

Article 2 It was voted to approve a Community Development Block Grant application for the following program and dollar amount:

Program Economic Development Program Amount: \$700,000.00 ; vote: unan

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm

Minutes of Select Board Meeting  
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Item #1 Minutes of the Meeting held August 5, 2014

Tom/Paul m/m/s to accept

Tiffany had the following corrections:

Item #4 add Academy Certified Officers to the Authorization from Board Officers to make arrests.

Item #10 Change the sentence "by consensus we are amiable to...." to read "by consensus we are amicable to....."

Tom/Paul m/m/s to accept with corrections; vote: unan

Item #2 Public Comment

1. William Rice: would like to propose that the Town of Wilton join in opposition of Militarization and refuse any and all Federal grants or free military surplus to allow for Police militarization. It is his belief that this will bring honor to our Town and light the way for others to follow.

Tom asked that Heidi bring the information about the funding for the grants and where they come from.

Tiffany asked that Heidi highlight the safety implications and costs if funded with local taxpayers' dollars.

Heidi invited Mr. Rice to come to the Police Station so she could explain the process to him.

2. Scott: Could Rhonda have the Highway Foreman check a drainage issue in a catch basin across from Franklin Savings Bank. It is silted with sand; is it a Town catch basin or a State catch basin if it is a State road, then it is a State issue? It is above the parking lot on the bank by the Church and it is a Town drainage pipe that runs under the parking lot.
3. There have been complaints about the level of the lake being too high this year, should we have a policy in effect to take a proactive look at how our Department is handling this? Rhonda explained that monitoring of the dam is done by the Sewer Dept. and it needs to meet State and Federal standards. If it is higher at one end, it is lower at the other. Rhonda will speak with Clayton Putnam to see if there is anything in place, they are trying to do their best. She will have Clayton put this information in his next report. Bill Groder felt that with the new bridge and wider outlet the lake adjusts better than it used to.
4. Gil Reed explained that on behalf of the partners at Western Maine Development he would like to thank the Town for their patience and support.
5. Gregg Toothaker: The Bridge on Pond Rd sides are ready to fall off. Rhonda explained that Rte. 156 is a State Rd so it is a State issue, she will find out when any work is scheduled.

### Item #3 Awarding of the Bids for Police Vehicles – Chief Heidi Wilcox

It is the Chief's recommendation that the bids be awarded to Quirk for the 2 SUV Interceptors the total net cost would be \$49,083. This price includes the trade in of the 2007 Dodge Charger and the 2009 Chevrolet Impala.

Heidi gave the following reasons for her choice:

- While the sedan is \$2,000 cheaper they will most likely get the money back on the trade in of these vehicles.
- It is easier to maintain a fleet if all of the vehicles are the same.
- With a fleet the pieces of the cage and the lap top stands will be interchangeable.

Questions/Comments from the Board included:

Paul: Had the pleasure of sitting in an SUV model and he fit into the cruiser with extra room.

Tiffany: When you look at the total overall cost we actually save money through purchasing fleet vehicles and have a healthier work environment.

Scott: Have we had any issues with the SUV? We have had none at all.

What is the intent of the vehicles? They will be patrol vehicles and will always go to the working patrol officer. Each cruiser is assigned to two patrol officers, the other vehicle is assigned to the Sergeant, and this helps to keep the mileage down.

The cost of these cruisers will fit into the budgeted amount for them.

Tom/Tiffany to accept the Chief's proposal and purchase the SUV's; vote: 4-1 (Paul Berkey opposed)

### Item #4 Recreation Department Quarterly Report – Recreation Director Frank Donald

- The Circus came to town and at the last minute there was an issue and the tractor couldn't get into the park. Western Maine Development came up really big and allowed the Recreation Department to use their parking lot. Big thanks to Gil Reed and Gregg Toothaker. The Rec Dept. made \$1600 and they may do it again if they can go back to the Western Maine Development site. Gil Reed assured Frank they are more than welcome to use the parking lot.
- Soccer signups have started so the Rec Dept. is shifting from summer to fall.
- Frank has walked the whole area to be looked at for the grants on the trails, and lots of this work will be dependent on grants.

### Item #5 Discussion of Recreation Committee meeting - Dog issues and Kineowatha Park ideas

- Frank has never seen it as bad at the foot of the lake as it has been this year, there have been lots of "messes" and something needs to be done about that too. Rhonda reminded people that they need to call the Police if they see someone not cleaning up after their animal.
- Until there is a suitable place at Bass Park maybe have a time (for example 6-10 am or after 8 pm), but it would be hard to enforce and who would enforce it?

Questions/Comments from the Board and Audience included:

Tom: Do we modify the Dog Ordinance? It was in the Dog Ordinance draft and it was requested to be taken out before Town Meeting. It could be put in the Park Policy; they will look into it because the season is almost over.

Scott: What about waste containers? There is one at the foot of the lake near the boat landing, Rhonda will look into getting a sign for it; she will also look into the cost of a doggie station.

John: Would this fall under the Park Policy? Yes, it would.

William Rice: Would like clarification; he had been told that after October 1 it would be alright to bring dogs to Kineowatha? After school opens there really isn't anyone there so the dogs are

doing no harm; if it does become an issue they could put down a time of year. Tom felt it could be part of the overall park policy.

Bill Groder: Is there a way to do some recognition for Bucky Sproul? Two little league fields are already named. Scott explained that basketball was mostly his real work. Frank reminded the Board that he was not a Wilton resident and maybe they should consider a RSU #9 field.

- John Black had a suggestion to generate revenue to put back into the Recreation Program by renting canoes, kayaks and paddleboats. We would need to find out the costs for insurance.

Frank had the following questions/concerns:

He doesn't want to commit the time to it unless there is a budget for it.

We would need to rent it a lot to make it pay for itself. You may need to pay someone to run the rentals and would you make enough to pay them?

Might need to open up the beach area – it might be able to be dovetailed into the trails. The Town crew could clean this up. This might make it more user friendly if we clean up the brush.

Questions/Comments from the Board and Audience included:

Tom: likes canoes and kayaks what about a liability special policy? Rhonda explained that because the Town would assume some of the responsibility they would not recommend that we pursue this. He would like to have Rhonda look more into what the Towns do that have it.

Paul: The State Park does it, we would need a place to store them at night and they would need to be locked up. This would be more work on Frank, if we did that more people would come into the park and use it, but there is a lot of work involved.

Rhonda: She put it on the list serve and some areas are doing it and others have a private company that goes in and does it. The University rents them out, is this something we could work with them on?

Tiffany: UMF has an Outdoor Recreation Program we could check with them to see what they do. Would we still be liable if we didn't rent them out? Yes

William Rice: Does anyone have a rowing team? A great promotion would be to let rowing teams practice here.

Bill Groder: Why not put a donation box at the gate as an appreciation of being able to use the park. Frank has found that there are several out of Town people who use the Park and don't pay the fee for use.

Tiffany: What about an honor system box; something that people could put money in?

Scott: Who is the new Rec. Committee Chair? Katrina Fay, Scott requested that maybe in a couple of meetings the Board could get an overview of what the Committee is discussing.

Tom/Tiffany m/m/s to accept the Rec. Department report; vote: unan

#### Item #6 Discussion of lakefront - at Wilson Lake "foot of the lake"

John: The willows have gotten to a point where you are walking on them and the roses have expanded to their reach to 20 feet, we are losing our view of the lake. If people want to see the plants maybe we should get some perennials; we need to turn this back into lawn. The road crew can remove it with a backhoe. If people want to see them stay we could work with them to put it into a flower garden.

Tiffany: The roses don't serve a purpose and this is an unused recreation area because the roses have taken over. They are plugging the drainage area.

Rhonda: Lots of kids were hiding in front of the roses and they cannot be seen, this creates a security issue.

Tom: Do the roots add to the stability of the bank? A lawn would serve just as well.

Does it fall under Shore land Zoning? Do we need to check with the CEO?

Frank; if they can't come out at least make them manageable.

Scott: Any sort of tree or large bush root system gets into that wall it will tear it apart.

What like to check with who donated them in the first place. It is believed Tyngtown.  
Rhonda will wait to hear comments regarding the plants and check into the Shore land Zone issues.

Item #7 Consideration of consultants and legal counsel for TIF and Credit Enhancement Agreement for Western Maine Development site, 128 Weld Rd

There were 3 separate proposals received

Shana Cook Mueller is the Town's attorney and she has done this before, John Holden has set up our other 2 TIFs and the other was received from John Cleveland.

John Holden fee is \$9500 for both the TIF and CEA, but he is not an attorney so we would need to hire an attorney; he recommends you have legal counsel go over it.

Shana Cook Mueller is \$9750 and is a lawyer and it is \$250 an hour for anything she needs to check. We could go with her for the full fee or for the hourly charge.

Rhonda recommends John Holden because he has worked here recently. We can actually have conversations with Western Maine Development without him being present.

Questions/Comments from the Board included:

Tom: John is charging for travel? \$55/hr. the only thing is that when he is finished we will need to have an attorney look at the credit enhancement.

Scott: Do you plan to bid the legal work? We have been using the Town attorney. Tom suggested that we tell the Town attorney to give us their best price or we will go out to bid.

Tom/Tiffany m/m/s to go with John Holden; vote: unan

Tom suggested that when Rhonda tells the other proposers that they didn't get it, she should tell them why.

Item # 8 Manager's report

- A. Wilton tannery Update: On August 13 Ransom said that great progress has been made all of the waste has been moved to the consolidation area. They were hoping to finish up, but the weather has created a challenge. Ransom is very happy with the contractor. There was actually more waste than what was previously reported. Rhonda would like to know when the Board would like to start the Request for Proposals (RFP).

Questions/Comments from the Board included:

John: Was the completion date August 15? The substantial completion date was the 15<sup>th</sup>; the completion date is the middle of September.

More of the roof has fallen in while they were on site. Rhonda explained that grant money cannot be used for the demo work or for cleaning up the front.

Scott: Because of the extra waste will there be extra costs? Ransom believes that the grants will cover the costs.

Tiffany: The site looks quite nice and you can envision what it will look like, if we develop the RFP while the grass is still there it might encourage people.

- B. Household Hazardous Waste Day is September 6 from 8:30 – 11:30 at the Transfer Station. Scott explained that in the past the members of the Select Board have met there and helped, he wondered if anyone was interested. Tom explained that it was mostly to help with traffic.

Item #9 Other Business

- A. There was a refund of \$2,439 from worker's compensation that goes back into revenues on the insurance line.

Questions/Comments from the Board included:

Tom: Is that because people are working safely? Yes, we have done really well. He explained that a couple of years ago we had a barbeque could we look at doing that again?

Tom/Tiffany m/m/s to use some of the money to pay for a barbeque; vote: unan

Item #10 Approval and signing of Disbursement Warrants

Tom/Paul m/m/s to approve and sign the Disbursement Warrants and enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1MRSA Sec. 405(6) 405(6)(D) Police Union Contract Negotiations; Highway Union Contract Negotiations and 1MRSA Sec. 405(6) 405(6)(A) Town Manager Contract and personnel; vote: unan

Item #11 Executive Session pursuant to 1MRSA Sec. 405(6) 405(6)(D) Police Union Contract Negotiations; Highway Union Contract Negotiations and 1MRSA Sec. 405(6) 405(6)(A) Town Manager Contract and personnel

Entered at 8:45 pm; out at 8:59 pm

Tom/Paul m/m/s to reopen highway contract to adjust longevity and approve longevity back to the previous contract; vote: unan

Adjourn at 9 pm