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At our next Coffee Hour, we will be discussing the proposed new DPW building, which will be voted on at Town Meeting. Present to bring us up to date on the proposal will be Court Chilton, former member of the Finance Committee, Mark Susser, member of the Permanent Building Committee, and a member of the Weston Climate Control Group, which has been collaborating on ways to make the new building as energy efficient as possible. The event will take place on Saturday, April 4 from 11:00 to 12:30 in the library's Community Room. Please come to ask your questions and familiarize yourself with this important project.

The following Saturday, April 11 the annual Household Hazardous Waste Day will take place at the DPW building on Route 20. This is the perfect opportunity to safely rid yourself of toxic substances that have accumulated in your cellar and garage over the years, at no expense to you. Hours are 9 to 3.

At the Town Caucus last Monday night, all the incumbents were re-nominated, and no contests appeared. Perhaps the most interesting development was Bob Buchanan's announcement that he is running for his 30th one-year term at Town Moderator, and that it will be his last term. He stated that he is thereby giving any prospective successor plenty of time to think about running in his stead next year. We have scheduled our Candidates and Issues Night for Wednesday, April 29th at the High School Media Room at 7:15. Since there are no contested races, we will clearly be focusing more on the issues than the candidates, although there are a couple of School Committee candidates (Court Chilton and Sanjay Saini) who are currently filling uncompleted terms through appointment, whom we would like the public to have an opportunity to hear from.

We have scheduled our Annual Meeting for Wednesday, May 20 at 7:00 at the library's Community Room. Our speaker will be Weston resident Pam Wood, who serves as the Massachusetts Jury Commissioner. We believe Ms Wood will have many

interesting insights into the behind-the-scenes workings of our jury system, and encourage you all to come hear her and ask your questions. We will start the evening with half an hour of socializing and refreshments, followed by our speaker, and a brief business meeting.

Our Civics Bee with Wayland and Sudbury on March 1st was a huge success. We are delighted with the energy and enthusiasm of our team members, our coaches and Superintendent Cheryl Maloney, who served on the panel of judges. Since Weston squeaked out a win, Cheryl has offered to host the event in Weston next year. In the meantime, the impressive trophy, a spread-winged eagle, will divide its time over the next 12 months between the Middle School and the High School. A fuller description of the contest by Barbara Hill can be found elsewhere in this Bulletin.

The Massachusetts League of Women Voters Biennial Convention will take place this year at the Newton Marriott Hotel on May 29th and 30th. This is where important decisions like new studies, lobbying priorities and budgets will be decided, so we hope to send a full complement of delegates. The location could surely not be any more convenient for us!

The state League's Day on the Hill took place last week at the state house, attended by Robin Coutts, Barbara Fullerton and me. The focus was on Restoring the Public's Trust with greater transparency, with speakers Pam Wilmot of Common Cause, Norfolk County District Attorney William Keating, Judy Meredith of the Public Policy Institute and Masspirg's Janet Domenitz. A more complete article on this event by Robin can be found elsewhere in the Bulletin.

Spring House Tour in Concord

Room for Us: Adapting Spaces to Your Needs

Wed., April 15, 2009, 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Learn how to make the most of your living space when you need to expand, downsize, modify or update.

Program begins with continental breakfast at 9:00 a.m. at Trinitarian Congregational Church, 54 Walden St., Concord, MA, followed by an introductory talk at 9:30 a.m. by Holly Cratsley, AIA, Principal of Nashawtuc Architects, Inc. Tour homes from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door.

Advance registration strongly encouraged.

Please send check payable to "LWVCC" to

LWVCC House Tour, P.O. Box 34, Concord, MA.

For information, visit www.lwvcc.com, email House_Tour@lwvcc.com, or call 978-369-3842 or 978-369-7172.

CALENDAR

MARCH – MAY 2009

- March 29, Sunday.....Women’s History Event**
3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. Josiah Smith Barn
for info, call Carol Hohle – 781-894-9277 or <http://www.inspirationhouse.org>
- April 2, Thursday.....Weston’s Land History**
7:30 P.M., Community Room
Weston Public Library
Brian Donahue
- April 4, Saturday..... LWW Coffee Hour**
11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
Community Room, Weston Public Library
DPW Building
- April 11, Saturday.....Household Hazardous**
9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
DPW Building, Rte. 20, Weston
Waste Day
- April 14, Tuesday.....LWW Open Meeting**
9:15 A.M., 170 Ridgeway Rd.
(Sally Carrier, 781-235-7532)
- April 29, Wednesday.....Candidates and Issues Night**
7:15 P.M., Weston High School Media Room
- May 9, Saturday..... Town Elections**
8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M., Weston Town Hall
- May 11, Monday..... Weston Town Meeting**
7:30 P.M., Weston High School Auditorium
- May 12, Tuesday..... LWW Open Meeting**
9:15 A.M., Brook School
Mary Palmer Room
- May 20, Wednesday..... LWW Annual Meeting**
7:00 P.M. Community Room
Weston Public Library
Speaker: Pamela Wood
MA Jury Commissioner
- May 29-30, Newton Marriott Hotel.....LWVMA Convention**

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Kathleen Rousseau

WHEN IT'S TIME FOR ACTION

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The Board met at the home of Barbara Hill. The minutes were approved.

COFFEE HOUR – A coffee hour will be held on April 4 at the Weston library to discuss the progress on plans for the new DPW buildings, and what has been done to make the design more “green”. We hope to have a member of the permanent building committee there also.

We had a discussion of the fact that the town is having all of its by-laws recodified. This could lead to unintended or unwanted changes in town rules. (Diana Chaplin brought up the change in the definition of a farm.) We should find out if there is a reason for this change.

There was a short discussion of the local league non-partisan policy. There are, at present, no contested elections in the town this spring. When there are, however, there are a number of questions about how active league officers can be. Can we nominate candidates, put up posters, sign campaign ads, have fund-raisers, or give money (a public record, but a private act)? In the past the president and the voter-service chair were the two members who could not be involved in partisan politics or contested elections. Rochelle suggested that anyone whose name is on the bulletin should not campaign. We will discuss this later next year.

TOWN CAUCUS – This will be Bob Buchanan’s 30th year as moderator, and he says that it will be his last. There are four positions open on the school committee because of resignations during the year. They will all be contested by current members of the board.

When committees appoint replacements for leaving member, particularly if it is shortly after an election, it can lead to questions about the openness of the proceedings. There are now advertisements of openings in the Town Crier and on the town web site. Should we run special elections when someone resigns early in their term? Is the cost worth the importance of the positions?

Perhaps we could put forth some recommendations when there are openings for how to make the choices transparent and open. Could we help publicize how often members attend committee meetings? How do we encourage diversity in the membership of town committees?

Although there are no contested races we will run a Candidates and Issues Night this year. The tentative date is April 29 at the High School Media Room at 7:15. We will ask the candidates to focus on issues. We want to have plenty of

time for people to ask questions and discuss town concerns.

The Civics Bee was a huge success. Everyone had a great time. The Wayland League people worked extremely hard on this. Cheryl Maloney was supportive beforehand, but she became even more excited about it after the fact.

ANNUAL MEETING - It was suggested that we ask Pam Woods, jury commissioner, to speak. Depending on her schedule it will be on May 20 or 27 at the library.

LWV DAY ON THE HILL STATE HOUSE, MARCH 4, 2009

Robin Peakes Coutts



Common Cause: Aiming for Transparency and Restoring the Public's Trust

Three years ago Governor Patrick said that all levels of Government should be open, accountable, and transparent; this year Pam Wilmot, representing Common Cause, re-emphasized the same goals and stressed the importance of public participation to "hold Power accountable". The 2009-Day on the Hill attracted an audience of about 140 League Members, students, and others for another excellent panel discussion, updates from specialists and encouragement to lobby our legislators.

Common Cause of Massachusetts is a non-partisan organization created to ensure open, honest, and accountable government at the federal, state, and local levels. "The foundation

of Democracy is a government that is transparent in its dealings and a citizenry that is informed and engaged. These are two sides of the same coin: the more citizens are engaged, the more they demand transparency from their governments; the less transparent are the governments, the less engaged the citizens become".

Sunshine Week is a national initiative to open a dialogue about the importance of open government and freedom of information. Participants include print, broadcast and online news media, civic groups, libraries, nonprofits, schools and others interested in the public's right to know.

Though spearheaded by journalists, Sunshine Week is about the public's right to know what its government is doing, and why. Sunshine Week seeks to enlighten and empower people to play an active role in their government at all levels, and to give them access to information that makes their lives better and their communities stronger.

Common Cause believes that openness creates better public policy. Massachusetts is far behind other states in transparency laws and procedures, especially in the use of the Internet. In a 2007 survey, Common Cause found that only 41 out of 351 Massachusetts communities complied with Public Records Law by posting budgets, ordinances, minutes of important meetings, and other records online. The number climbed to about 100 last year and is increasing each year.

Open Meeting and Public Records laws need to be fixed. The open meetings and public records laws are core anchors of a transparent government and neither has been updated significantly in decades. New technologies, such as email and video conferencing, have emerged but were not contemplated when the statutes were drafted. Courts have attempted to fill the void, but problems and lack of clarity remain. Furthermore, penalties are so insignificant and enforcement so diffuse and inconsistent that violations continue.

Municipalities having proper information on Web sites is important because more people are getting their information from the Internet rather than trekking to Town Hall during business hours. It also allows residents 24/7 access to its government. Websites remove barriers for people who may feel intimidated walking into Town Hall and asking for a document. The more difficult it is to access information, the less likely people will try to get it.

“Sunshine is the best disinfectant”, said Pam Wilmot, “and if that isn't strictly true when it

comes to kitchen germs, it is dead on when it comes to government. For a public official, nothing discourages unethical behavior as surely as the fear it will be exposed”. □Newspapers across the country are now marking Sunshine Week by shining a light on ways the public's business is hidden from the public. There's plenty to write about, at all levels of government.

Government transparency helps to foster public integrity by increasing civic engagement, helping citizens and enforcement agencies hold officials accountable, and discouraging inappropriate behavior by making it more likely that such behavior will be detected.

Letting the sunshine into the dark corners of government is a task requiring constant vigilance by the public and timely action by legislators.

At the local level, strong laws require officials of Massachusetts's cities and towns to make their deliberations and their records public. But a law is only as good as its enforcement, and enforcement of the Open Meeting Law and Public Records Law is spotty, at best.

In an increasingly cynical world, Common Cause believes in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and that democracy can be revitalized. Working for the common good requires working together, and unified strategies and actions.

As a member-led organization, Common Cause fights for “the rest of us,” to keep democracy from drowning in a torrent of big money, or sliding into irrelevancy. Common Cause Massachusetts's proven strategy of rigorous planning and vigorous action helps citizens engage with each other, and with more honest, accountable government.

Results of a new Common Cause audit of Web sites is just being announced, awards to be

presented at the State House in celebration of this year's "Sunshine Week". "On Thursday, March 19th at 1pm Common Cause Massachusetts will be holding its annual e-Government Awards in the Nurses' Hall to honor those towns and cities in Massachusetts that have made government more accessible via the Internet. The event will be open to the public and attended by local and state media outlets. A photo session will follow.

<http://www.maopengov.org/>

E-Government Awards

In order to qualify for an e-Government Award, the town or city must post their governing body's agenda and minutes, budget information, general by-laws, and--if applicable--their town meeting warrant and results.

E Government Award with Distinction Recipients:

In order to qualify for an e-Government Award with Distinction, the town or city must fulfill requirements above, as well as provide archived governing board agenda and minutes, zoning by-laws, school committee agendas and minutes, agendas and minutes for an additional board or committee, and a calendar with all public meetings. Weston is one of 46 communities that meet these criteria!

The Lexington Board of Selectmen and other committee members are trained yearly to understand the Open Meeting Law, and town employees are required to sign a copy of the electronic communications policy, where it is clearly stated that emails are considered public documents. "We put on board and committee training sessions twice a year, " said Carl Valente, Lexington's Town Manager. "One part of the

training deals with public records and open meeting laws. The other is about how to conduct a meeting."

Winchester residents are pleased to find out that information is online, and that they don't have to travel to Town Hall or pay for documents. A simple click of the mouse gives residents an opportunity to have their questions answered and read documents that were previously only available at Town Hall during business hours.

Pam Wilmot said some communities told her they simply didn't have the time to update the information on the Web site or didn't want to provide the information because it could "stir up troublemakers." However", Wilmot said, posting documents online does not take much time. Though creating a Web site takes a level of effort and skill, updating the site is not difficult. Running a Web site does not take a lot of time, personnel or cost; it's not an expensive thing".

Common Cause Founder John Gardner once said, "If citizen action is to be successful, it requires careful preparation, effective organization, and stamina. Lots and lots of stamina. It also requires belief. Belief that you can make a difference in your world".

Citizens who have joined together in a common pursuit for a better government have had an extraordinary impact on our nation. And, for more than 30 years, Common Cause has helped make citizens a powerful presence on the political scene, working to give them the tools they need to play a sustained and active part in the fight for open, honest and accountable government at all levels.

If you care, you can make a difference. But, you must take that first step.

Women's History Month A Weston Celebration

March is Women's History Month

Come for an informal tea, bring a friend, and together let's honor the women who have inspired us!

Bring a photo/memento and story about a woman who has been influential in your life (this could be your mother or grandmother, a teacher, or someone famous.) We'll share our stories and celebrate women's contributions towards making our world a better place. Pamela Fox, local historian, will speak about some Weston women who have influenced the history of our town.

Sunday, March 29, 2009
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
The Barn at Josiah Smith Tavern
359 Boston Post Road, Weston

Donation: \$20 (\$5 to benefit the Weston Historical Society and its proposed future home in the new Weston History Center.)

Reservations required.

Please contact carol@inspirationhouse.org
or call 781-894-9277.

Organized by Inspiration House, www.inspirationhouse.org.
Co-sponsored by the Weston Historical Society.



WESTON CAPTURES CIVICS BEE!

Barbara Hill

The first ever tri-town Civics Bee took place at the Wayland Town Building on March 1, 2009. Wayland, Sudbury and Weston teams squared off in competition to respond to questions relating to the Revolutionary War Period, the founding fathers and documents – including the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, with its 27 amendments, and questions about our current elected officials. Each team consisted of 3 adults, 3 high school students and middle school students who participated in groups of three. Each town provided one judge – ours was Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Cheryl Maloney. The planners, and in particular, the Wayland League members who spear-headed the event, deserve enormous credit for an incredible event.

Former Selectman Joe Mullin, Ned Rossiter (history teacher in Newton!) and Barbara Hill (me, who participated as quid pro quo for the participation of my daughter) comprised the adult members of the team. The High School team comprised seniors



From left: Brian Yue, Miranda Burrage-Goodwin and Edom Wessenyelah, one of the two Weston Middle School teams who shared the stage.

Cyana Chilton (recruited by her friend and teammate), Hannah Hill (recruited by me, her

mom) and junior Grant Gilbard (who incidentally has founded a high school young Republicans student organization.) The Middle School participants were the six winners from the run off competition in each of the Middle School social



From left: Grant Gilbard, Hannah Hill, and Cyana Chilton, of the Weston High School team.

studies sections. Eventual winners – Miranda Burrage-Goodwin, Eli Curme, Jamie Packs, Tyler Toledano, Edom Wessenyelah and Brian Yue participated in two groups of three – one group for each half of the competition. These students were informed, articulate and passionate about the subject matter – and isn't that the whole point?

The Civics Bee was conducted in a very age-appropriate and intergenerational manner: First, questions were addressed to each group of adults (one town at a time), then each group of high schoolers, and finally each group of middle schoolers. There were short-answer questions, multiple-choice questions and true/false questions. In each case, the group conferred and the group leader gave the answer. In addition, there were "brain teaser" questions that the entire team worked on together, and submitted in writing. The judges handed down the decision as to correctness of an answer (2 points for correct answer, 1 point for partial credit) and the scorers kept score.

I must admit that I agreed to participate with a fair amount of trepidation. The League Board badgered me to encourage my senior to participate – I suggested that she and her friend could do it together. Ultimately Cyana agreed to participate with Hannah, and Hannah suggested that if they were participating, then it was only fair for me to join the team as well. Joe Mullin, student of civics extraordinaire, volunteered immediately, and Katty Chace encouraged Ned Rossiter to round out the adult segment of the Weston team. Monny



From left: Cyana Chilton, Barbara Hill, Brian Yue and Edom Wessenayah, all of Weston.



From left: Ned Rossiter, Barbara Hill and Joe Mullin, members of the Weston adult team, confer on an answer.

Cochran, government teacher at the high school, solicited Grant Gilbard to round out the high school team and Ed McLoughlin, head of the Middle School social studies department, held Civics Bee runoffs in each of the Middle School social studies sections.

While my comrade adults and I muddled through our questions, anxiously anticipating whether we actually knew the answers, I was amazed by the knowledge, thoughtfulness and enthusiasm of the High School and Middle School participants. The event was a huge success, and is already being planned for next year. I hear that there are several other Leagues around the Commonwealth hoping to create a similar Civics Bee in their own areas.

Until next year, the large and impressive Civics Bee trophy will spend the remainder of this school year in the Middle School and will move up to the High School (with those amazing 8th grade civics experts) in the Fall. We look forward to defending our trophy next March!

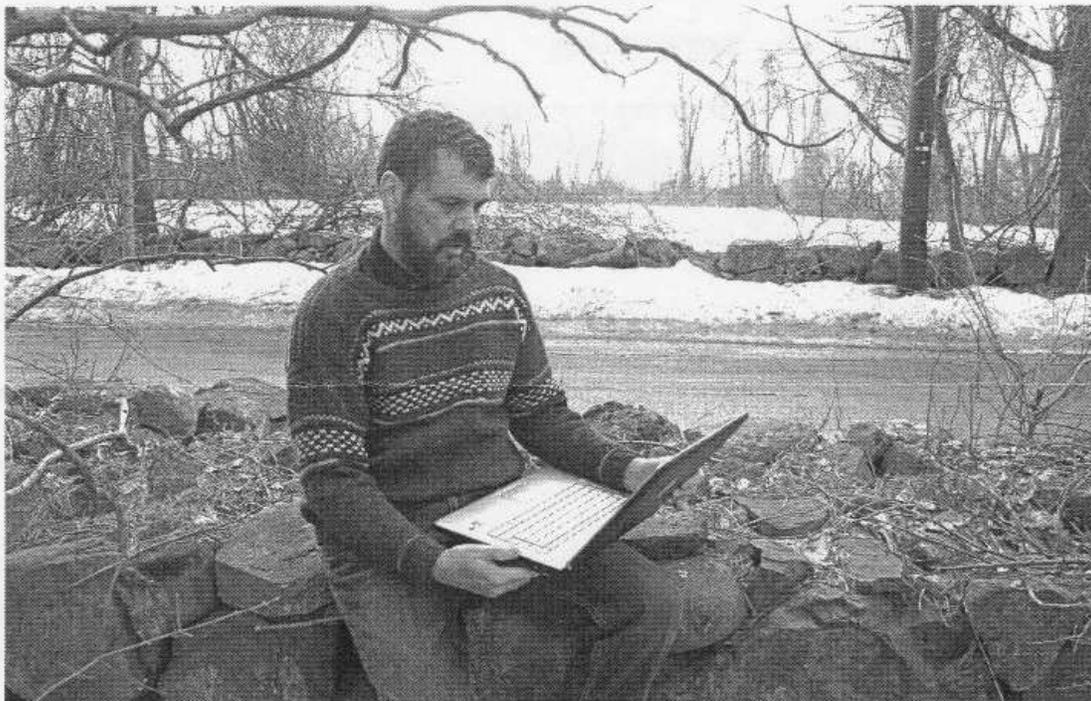
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OUR LEAGUE WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING!

FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR LEAGUE AND ITS ACTIVITIES, GET VOTER INFORMATION,
READ PAST ISSUES OF OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN.
BE INFORMED ON OUR LOCAL POSITIONS.

<http://www.westonlww.org>

The Weston Historical Society Presents



**The Land Beneath Our Feet:
New Tools for Understanding Weston's History**

A lecture by Brian Donahue

**Thursday, April 2
7:30 pm**

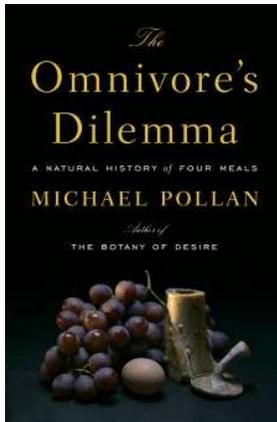
Weston Public Library Community Room

Always a fascinating speaker, Brian will demonstrate how new technologies like Geographic Information Systems (GIS) can transform the way we study local history and the land. An Associate Professor of American Environmental Studies at Brandeis University and one of the founders of Land's Sake, Brian has been working with students on the Case Estates and Highland Town Forest. His methodology, which combines traditional research and on-site observation with cutting-edge computer mapping software, is uncovering the deep history of how Weston's land has been owned and used.

LWVW BOOK DISCUSSION

THE OMNIVORE'S DILEMMA BY MICHAEL POLLAN

Kathleen Rousseau



A number of League members met at Rochelle Nemrow's home the evening of March 3 to discuss Michael Pollan's book, *The Omnivore's Dilemma*. This book describes the ways in which our food, and in particular our meat, is produced. It then describes some

alternative methods of getting food for the table.

The beginning of the book, with its description of the extent to which our food supply has come to be dependent on, and largely made of, corn products was particularly interesting to most people. A second interesting section dealt with a small farm on which all of the animals and crops were rotated so as to make best use of the land and to efficiently utilize the waste products produced on it. This required a lot of planning and work. Further sections dealt with hunting and mushroom gathering.

One of the main questions to come up was "Has anyone changed her eating habits because of reading this book?". The answers to this differed. Many people look at labels more closely; some look for grass-fed beef to buy; some look for cage-free eggs and free-range chickens. One of the

insights from the book is how little some of the "organic" and "free-range" labeling means.

We were also surprised by the description of the industrial production of "organic" food.

Someone had read that if we want to continue to eat meat in the amounts that we use today, much more land will be required in the future, and meat can only be produced in sufficient quantities by using industrial farming methods.

A lot of the discussion was around issues of healthful eating. There is sometimes a trade-off between whether one is most concerned with the nutritional value of a food or the ethical treatment of animals. We also talked about eating locally grown food, something that is not reasonable for most of us in New England (no one wanted to give up either coffee or chocolate, for example). There was also some concern for the economies of other countries, particularly in Latin America. Our farming policies have hurt their farmers, and we might want to help support them by buying imported goods.

Reading this book certainly makes one think more carefully about the food we eat.

Our next book discussion will probably take place next fall. The book for this has already been chosen: *The Nine* by Jeffrey Toobin, about the Supreme Court.

OBSERVER CORPS

Jean Thurston



WESTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2009

1. **Nina Danforth and her Tree Advisory Group** came to share their recommendations for plantings. There is between \$11,000 and \$12,000 left from the MWRA money. They reported on the trees that were planted last year. Some (especially those with the water bags on them) did well, but others died during the dry summer when abutters and neighbors didn't water them. Planting will begin at the end of April and the locations and types of trees are detailed in their report. They will purchase smaller trees than before, since they are more likely to survive and are less expensive. A few trees may be planted up to 20 feet onto private property if the owners make a commitment to care for them.
2. **A stop sign** was approved for Forest Ridge & Hobbs Brook Roads.
3. **Josiah Smith Tavern/Old Library**
Three people who volunteered for the committee were interviewed. They were: Drew Tamoney, Lesley Glynn and Constance Fulenwider. The appointments will be made at the next Selectmen's meeting.
4. **Dog Committee**
The recommendations of the committee were discussed. Mr. Charlip recused himself.

Mr. Harrity believes that professional dog walkers should be assumed to be professional and would prefer fewer rules and regulations, particularly those more difficult to administer. He would like a flat fee of \$100 and then \$50 for each additional walker with the same company, \$150 for each dog (not specific dogs) with a discount for Weston residents who are dog walkers, and a limit of 5 or 6 dogs per walker. He would eliminate specific hours for walkers, and have the Conservation Commission prohibit dogs in designated areas temporarily or for long-term.

Mr. Gillespie favors enforcing the license requirement for dogs by increasing the penalty by the month, i.e. \$25 in April, \$30 in May or by increasing the fine by \$10 a month. There should be a placard on dash of the walkers car. The per-dog fee would commence with the third dog and then the walker would pay for three dogs. He does not favor a Weston discount.

George Bates of the Conservation Commission recommended that if there are more than three dogs, all should be leashed. (Harrity and Gillespie did not agree) The Conservation Commission should have jurisdiction over their areas. There should be no walkers on weekends. (Harrity asked about limiting the dogs to three on weekends.)

There was agreement that there should be less regulation at the start.

**WESTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009
7:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL, SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Tab</u>	
7:30 p.m.	1.	DPW Facility Update Mark Susser, PBC Chair; Bob Hoffman, DPW Director
8:00 p.m.	2.	FY10 Budget Review a. Public Works – Bob Hoffman, Director b. Fire – Chief David Soar
8:45 p.m.	3.	Josiah Smith Tavern & Old Library Committee Appointment
8:55 p.m.	4.	Proposed Josiah Smith Tavern Preservation Restriction
9:15 p.m.	5.	Billboards
9:20 p.m.	6.	Zoning Bylaw Changes – Refer to Planning Board
9:25 p.m.	7.	Town Meeting Warrant Article Assignments

Consent Agenda

Approve minutes of the following Board of Selectmen's meeting:
January 14, 2009

Approve request from Eileen Polasky, 40 Baker Bridge Road, Lincoln, MA to hold the 2009 Susan McDaniel Run for Love Road Race scheduled for Sunday, June 16, 2009, from 10:00-2:00 p.m. Several hundred participants are expected to participate in the race. The following streets are involved in the race: Town House Road, Boston Post Road, Conant Road, Merriam Street, Concord Road and Sunset Road. The Police, DPW and Fire Departments have reviewed and approved this request.

Approve and sign the following requests for a 2009 Common Victualler's License pursuant to M.G.L., Chapter 62C, Section 49A:

- David Gray Associates, Inc. d/b/a Cedar Hill Dairy Joy