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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2018 MEETING MINUTES GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

Present: Selectman Gerry Schwall, Selectman James Muri, Selectman David Perry, Selectman Michael Costello, Helen Dennen, Town Administrator.

Absent: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais.

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.: The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.0) Consent Agenda

Warrants for August 30th, 2018: Warrant; 19-08A Withholdings, \$132,361.67; 19-09B Payroll, \$103,685.85; 19-09 Warrant, \$147,575.95; 19-08V Veterans Warrant, \$9,275.21. J. Muri motioned to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second by D. Perry. Vote 4-0

Minutes:

Regular Minutes: April 9, 2018, April 17, 2018, & August 10, 2018

- D. Perry motion to approve as amended Regular Meeting Minutes for April 9, 2018. Second J. Muri. Vote 4-0.
- D. Perry motion to hold Regular Meeting Minutes for April 17, 2018 and August 10, 2018. Second J. Muri, Vote 4-0.

Open Forum - Announcements:

- G. Schwall stated the State Primary Election will be held Tuesday September 4, 2018. Voting will be at all three precincts from 7am to 8pm.
- G. Schwall stated that Senator Feeney held office hours today at the Senior Center. He will hold office hours at the Rehoboth Senior Center on Monday September 24th from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.
- G. Schwall stated that the next Board of Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday September 10, 2018 at 55 Bay State Road, Senior Center at 7:00 pm.
- G. Schwall stated that the 375th Keep Rehoboth Beautiful Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the town-wide cleanups. If you are interested contact the Selectmen's office for a talent bank form or go to the website for a copy.
- G. Schwall stated that there is going to be a block party. Anyone interested in having a booth go to the town website or Rehoboth now and get an application. Send the application to Mary Beth Morriarty.

M. Costello brought up a parking sign concern on Abby Lane. He gave a brief history of the concern. Asking the Board for permission to move a general sign at the beginning of the cull-da-sac where the two roads split. To say no parking on the right side of the road.

The Board discussed putting up a "no parking" sign.

Ms. Lynne Petrone of Abby Lane was present.

Ms. Petrone stated that she has lived on Abby Lane for 18 years and there has never been an issue.

D. Perry motioned to direct M. Costello to redirect the signage so people do not park on the right side of the road. Second J. Muri. Vote 3-0 M. Costello abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item #1 Ratify Hire of Highway Truck Driver/Laborer

D. Perry motioned to ratify the hiring of Joshua Barreira upon a successful DOT pre-employment and drug screening under the conditions of the Highway Union Contract which includes a six-month probationary period effective date to be determined, he will be giving his current employer a two-week notice. Second J. Muri. Vote 3-0 M. Costello abstained.

Further Discussion:

D. Perry gave a brief update.

M. Costello stated that there were 40 applicants, it was a hard decision. Went with Joshua Barreira because of his qualifications, especially because he already has experience plowing snow.

Mr. Joshua Barreira was present.

Mr. Barreira stated that he is looking forward to working for the town.

G. Schwall thanked M. Costello, H. Dennen, and D. Scanlon for their diligence conducting interviews.

Action Item #2: General Licenses for Four Seasons Events LLC dba Francis Farm

J. Muri motioned to approve the following Licenses; Common Vic, Automatic Amusement Devices, 7 Day Entertainment; for Four Seasons Events, LLC dba Francis Farm effective 8/27/2018 thru 12/31/2018. Second by D. Perry. Vote 4-0.

Discussion:

Mr. David Cascioli owner of Francis Farm was present.

Mr. Cascioli thanked the Board for expediting his license with the ABCC.

Action Item #3: National Grid Sub Station Project

M. Costello motioned to grant the use of the Senior Center to National Grid for either 9/11/2018 or 9/13/2018. Second J. Muri. Vote 4-0.

Further Discussion:

J. Muri stated that this directly effects the town. The use of the Senior Center is justified.

G. Schwall asked would there be at least one selectman in attendance?

M. Costello stated he would be there.

Action Item #4: Police Budget Amendment

D. Perry motioned to approve the following budget amendments:

Account Number	Department	Increase	Decrease
012103-57120	Police Hotel/Meals	\$1,874.00	
012103-54400	Police Other Operating		\$874.00
012103-53410	Police Telephone		\$500.00
012103-53010	Police Medical & Physicals		\$500.00

Second J. Muri. Vote 4-0.

Action Item # 5: One Day Liquor License

J. Muri motioned to ratify a verbal approval of a one-day liquor license to James Crandall, Rehoboth Lions Club for Wine and Malt One Day Liquor License for 8/21/2018 from 5 pm to 12 pm at the South Seekonk Gun Club, 57 Reed Street in Rehoboth with firing range to be closed during sale of alcoholic beverages. Second M. Costello. Vote 3-0 D. Perry abstained.

OLD BUSINESS:

Action Item # 1: DR Amended School Agreement

- G. Schwall gave a brief overview. Read the responses from the Dighton Board of Selectmen into the record. The board discussed the agenda item.
- J. Muri motioned to table the item until the next meeting. Second D. Perry. Vote 4-0.

Discussion:

- Mr. Richard Barrette of 238 Rocky Hill Road & the School Committee was present.
- Mr. Barrette explained where the School Committee stood on the matter.
- Mr. Michael Deignan of 5 Slater Street & the Finance Committee Chairman was present.
- Mr. Deignan responded to the discussion. Asked about the hiring of a private auditor the access that the town receives from the regional school system to ensure that the town is being accessed properly?
- J. Muri stated that he was working on this and had not made much progress.
- G. Schwall stated that he may have someone that can help and he would take it off J. Muri's plate.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. John Ferreira was present.

Mr. Ferreira presented an issue with a piece of property he has on Barney Ave, with a billboard sign on it, and the Conservation Commission. He explained the situation in detail.

The Board discussed the situation and will address Mr. Ferreira's concerns.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: absent

Schwall: none

Perry: It is official, today we closed on the Dorrance property. G. Schwall has spent a great deal of time on this.

G. Schwall stated it was a good deal for the town. There was no tax increase, it was paid for out of the Solar Fund.

Muri: none

Costello: none

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Selectmen D. Perry made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:13 PM., Second by Selectmen J. Muri. Vote 4-0

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Gerald V. S	chwall, Chairman	
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James Muri, Vice Chairman

David A. Perry, Jr., Clerk

absent

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Member

Michael Costello, Member

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy McDonough

Assistant to the Town Administrator

Approved: 10/5/2020