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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING MONDAY, October 16, 2017**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER**

**Present:** Frederick "Skip Vadnais, Chairman; Gerald Schwall, Vice Chairman; Susan Pimental, Clerk; Dave Perry, Member; James Muri, Member

**Also present:** Helen Dennen

**1.0) Executive Session:** At 6:30 p.m. S. Pimental made a motion to enter into Executive Session, 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Schwall, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30A, and Section 21; (2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; (3) To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares\*

**Topics of Discussion:** Highway Superintendent Contract; Police Union Contracts\*

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

**2.0) Consent Agenda**

**Warrants for October 16, 2017:** S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 18-15A: Withholdings, \$27,706.14; 18-16B, Payroll, \$96,120.72; 18-15 Invoices; \$139,276.91; S. Pimental made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, G. Schwall. Voted 5-0

**Minutes:** S. Pimental made a motion to approve & hold the Executive Session Meeting Minutes from October 2, 2017. Second G. Schwall, All Vote 5-0; S. Pimental made a motion to approve & hold the Executive Session Meeting Minutes from October 10, 2017. Second G. Schwall, All Vote 5-0

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**Open Forum – Announcements:**

- Next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Monday October 23, 2017 at the Senior Center at 7PM.
- Tomorrow- 10/17/17 Special State Election for Senate Seat vacated by James Timilty – voting at all three precincts from 7am – 8pm
- Veterans Day: A ceremony will be held on the 11th month, at the 11th hour at the 11th minute at the Rehoboth Veterans Cenotaph on the corner of Route 44 and Danforth, followed by the placing of a wreath at the Rehoboth Veterans Memorial gazebo on the Redway Plain. A free luncheon will be held in the afternoon at American Legion Post 302 for local Veterans.

**Town Administrator's Report:**

- CARCS letter to board re: Liberty Utilities; Helen read letter. S.V. Incorporates opposition to the proposed pipeline going at Spring Hill.
- Fire Chief announcement: 2017 Firefighter's Memorial October 22, 2017 at 11AM at South Rehoboth Fire Station 104 Pleasant Street, Rehoboth. Public cordially welcome. Ceremony with reception to follow.
- Reminder: 10/18/17 is the Planning Board Public Hearing on the Gas Compressor Station bylaw. Public Hearing will take place at 7:15PM at the Town Offices. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and provide input for the Planning Board's consideration.
- Next ZBA meeting on the Anawan School Project will be held on 10/26/17 starting at 6PM at the Senior Center.

**NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: Approve & Sign Chapter 90 Request for Rt. 6 & Old Providence Street**

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve & sign Chapter 90 Final Report and Reimbursement Request in the amount of \$14,971.57 for engineering of the intersection of Rt. 6 and Old Providence Street. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #2: Approve & Sign Chapter 90 Request for Four Town Roads; Drainage Repairs & Pavement**

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve & sign Chapter 90 Final Report and Reimbursement Request in the amount of \$211,951.18 for drainage repairs and re-pavement on 4 streets in Town. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #3: Final Review & Vote to Approve 11/6/17 Special Town Meeting Warrant**

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by S. Pimental it was voted to open the Special Town Meeting Warrant. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by S. Pimental it was voted to place line in Article #1, Fiscal Year 2018 amended budget for Highway Superintendent salary #014211-51110 in the amount of \$8,700.12. All Vote 5-0

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On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to close the Special Town Meeting Warrant. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to approve & sign the 11/6/17 Special Town Meeting Warrant. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #4: Appointment for Public Information Officer**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Karl Drown as the Public Information Officer effective 10/16/17 – 6/30/18. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #5: Appointment for Matron – Rehoboth Police Department**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to reappoint Sandra J. Phillips as the Matron for the Rehoboth Police Department effective 7/1/17 – 6/30/18. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #6: Continued Discussion Re: Liberty Utilities Application for a Roadway Utility License**

J.M.: Received a quote from Fuss & O'Neil; Clerk of Works \$12,500.00 for a 5-week period to go out 2 times a week. Would be paid by applicant and they will need to report to Board of Selectmen until determined. If roadway utility license application is approved. Discussion ensued. Helen to invite CARCS Group to Board of Selectmen meeting regarding their opposition to the proposed license application.

Ron Whittemore: They want to bring in a pipeline to serve Spring Hill but there are no houses there yet. G.S. Before houses go in they are going to start the project according to Liberty Utilities.

**Action Item #7: Continued Review of Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer Job Description**

Bill McDonough is reviewing the job description and will get back to us.

**Action Item #8: Appointments for Regional School Agreement Study Committee**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Michael McBride, Susan McBride and George Solas to the Regional School Agreement Study Committee effective 10/16/17 – 6/30/18. All Vote 5-0

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**  
**10/16/17 Selectmen's Reports:**

**Vadnais:** none

**Schwall:** none

**Pimental:** none

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**Perry:** Incident Saturday morning on Homestead Avenue regarding gravel & boulders all over the road due to truck tail gate letting go. I want to thank Mike Costello and the Highway Department had it cleaned up within ½ hour. M. Costello located the trailer, a police report was made and they were fined \$2,300.00 in a registered letter.

**Muri:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:** Selectmen S. Pimental made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:05 PM., Second by Selectmen G. Schwall. Vadnais – aye; Perry – aye; Pimental – aye; Schwall – aye; Muri - aye

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Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

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Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman

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Susan M. Pimental, Clerk

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David A. Perry, Jr., Member

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James Muri, Member

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Kelly J. Hathaway  
Assistant Town Administrator

Approved 12/4/17