



Office of  
SELECTMEN  
148 Peck Street  
Rehoboth, MA 02769

Tel.: (508) 252-3758  
Fax: (508) 252-5342

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING MONDAY February 5, 2018**  
**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; (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:** REPAC Litigation\*

**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 February 5, 2018:** S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 18-31A: Withholdings, \$27,817.58; 18-32B, Payroll, \$92,021.14; 18-31 Invoices, \$74,406.44; S. Pimental made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, D. Perry. Voted 5-0

**Minutes:** S. Pimental made a motion to approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes from January 2, 2018. Second J. Muri, All Vote 5-0; S. Pimental made a motion to approve and hold Executive Session Meeting Minutes from January 22, 2018. Second J. Muri, All Vote 5-0; S. Pimental made a motion to approve and hold Executive Session Meeting Minutes from January 29, 2018. Second J. Muri, All Vote 5-0

**Page Two of Five**  
**Board of Selectmen, Meeting Minutes**  
**February 5, 2018**

**Open Forum – Announcements:**

- Next Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Senior Center 55 Bay State Road Rehoboth MA.
- MassDot will be conducting Retroreflective sign replacement & upgrades at various locations of Town starting today, February 5 from 7AM – 3:30PM; work will continue for approximately 5 months and they will be mostly off road in breakdown lane/shoulder.
- Nancy Goulart, Dighton Board of Selectman and also Dighton Storm Water Agent. She is working on Storm Water MS4 & Notice of Intent and would like to come up with a unified plan with Rehoboth; wants to educate children, adults and businesses. Ms. Goulart mentioned an event called STEAM-posium, at DRRHS April 7, 10AM-2PM and would like Rehoboth Board of Selectmen to sponsor an educational booth with Dighton Board of Selectmen. Discussion ensued. D. Perry will be in contact with N. Goulart.
- Lorraine Botts; County Street: American Legion February 9, 5PM-7PM is all you can eat Mexican night \$15pp; cash bar and raffles. Rehoboth Animal Advocates; If you go to Not Your Average Joes Restaurant in Seekonk or Raynham on Tuesdays, and mention Animal Advocates, 15% of your purchase will be donated to the Rehoboth Animal Advocates. Rep. Steve Howitt presented Rehoboth Animal Advocates with a citation for a job well done.

**NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: Designation of Ambassador to Sister City of Lagoa, Azores**

John Ferreira and Manuel Botelho present.

In 2005 the Town of Rehoboth, Board of Selectmen; Mr. Krasnianski, Mr. Berry and Mr. Martin along with John Ferreira entered into a sisterhood with Lagoa. G. Schwall discussed a bit of San Miguel history. The Board thanked John Ferreira for all the work he has done and for showing great hospitality to those representatives who come here to visit from Lagoa. Manuel Botelho was born in San Miguel and knows the city well. John Ferreira has been working with Manuel Botelho and will continue to do so.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to appoint Manuel Botelho as Ambassador to represent the Town of Rehoboth and the Board of Selectmen in regards to the Sisterhood effective 2/5/18 – indefinitely. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to have the Town Administrator present a letter to Lagoa introducing Ambassador of the Town of Rehoboth. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #2: Green Energy Committee**

Carolyn Panofsky present and she is requesting an ad hoc committee to work on energy issues for the Town in an effort to pursue Green Energy Community status under MGL c. 25A§10.

The Board of Selectmen agree. C. Panofsky stated that the first step would be to do an energy audit through Mass Save for free.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to establish an ad hoc committee Green Energy Committee. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to appoint Carolyn Panofsky to the Green Energy Committee as acting Chairman effective 2/5/18 – 6/30/18. All Vote 5-0

**Page Three of Five**  
**Board of Selectmen, Meeting Minutes**  
**February 5, 2018**

**Action Item #3: 1/29/18 STM Follow-up**

Follow up discussion on Article 4 – Option to purchase Dorrance land on Anawan Street. The Board of Selectmen has ordered a Title search on property. Under State procurement law; if exceeds \$10,000 Town must advertise that we are looking for property. We are consulting Town Counsel in regards to this issue. Discussion ensued. John Ferreira stated the Town should buy the land, it is site specific. Tish Vadnais; did the deposit of \$20,000 lock us in on the purchase of the land. SV. Until August. Maureen Whittemore; where will the money come from to purchase the property. SV. We have money in a special account designated specifically for the future of the Town.

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to place purchase of Dorrance property on a separate article for the Annual Town Meeting amending Special Town Meeting Article 4 to “purchase from available funds”. All Vote 5-0

Board of Selectmen discussed the conditions of both the Town Hall and Public Safety Building and what repairs, if any, need to be done.

M. Deignan: not in favor of repairing the Town Offices if the Town is trying to get a new Municipal Building. Discussion ensued.

**Action Item #4: May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to set date for the Annual Town Meeting for Monday, May 14, 2018 starting at 7 PM at the DR Regional High School Auditorium, 2700 Regional Road, N. Dighton, MA. All Vote 5-0.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to open warrant for the May 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting and, per our bylaws, vote to close the warrant on March 1, 2018 at 12:00 noon noting that the Selectmen may re-open for the warrant for the insertion of additional articles at any time, if there remains sufficient time for compliance. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #5: Russo Barr Payment Authorization & Budget Amendment**

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to authorize payment to Russo Barr Associates in the amount of \$20,000.00 for final payment for the Physical Conditions Assessment Report. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve budget amendment below:

Account Number	Department	Increase	Decrease
011873-52411	BOS Fac. Maint. TOB/R&M	\$20,000.00	
011873-52413	BOS Fac. Maint. PSB/R&M		\$20,000.00

All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #6: 375<sup>th</sup> Committee Golf Tournament Event**

The 375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee will host a Golf Tournament in August (8/13/18). The committee preparing for the golf tournament has asked if the golf courses would be allowed to serve alcoholic beverages from a beverage cart on the courses. Each participating golf course would need to apply for a One Day Malt (or Wine & Malt) Liquor License and must comply with ABCC regulations. The regulations will be given to all applicants.

**Page Four of Five**  
**Board of Selectmen, Meeting Minutes**  
**February 5, 2018**

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to waive the \$25.00 One Day Liquor License fee for each golf course who is participating in the event and would need to apply for a one-day license. Vote 3-1-1(S. Pimental abstained)

The Board of Selectmen has delegated Ken Abrams, of the 375<sup>th</sup> Committee, to inform the golf courses of the ABCC regulations and how to go about applying for a one-day liquor license.

**Action Item #7: Bristol Agricultural School Project**

Selectman Muri discussed the Bristol County Agricultural High School Project, which will be the subject of discussion at the upcoming Bristol County Advisory Board Meeting on Thursday, 2/6/18 at 6 PM at the BC Aggie School. This will cost the Town of Rehoboth an addition of approximately \$150,500.00 per year for 30 years. Mike Deignan encouraged Board to fund this project through a debt exclusion.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to authorize Selectmen Vadnais to vote in favor of Bristol County Agricultural High School Project as well as include in the legislation the ability for a local municipality to put on a ballot to fund that portion of the Capital Assessment through a debt exclusion. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #8: Vote to Approve One Day Auctioneer's License for Dean Botelho of Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve One Day Auctioneer's License for Dean Botelho of Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity, 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth, MA for August 18 & August 19, 2018. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #9: Special One Day All Alcohol Liquor License**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve a Special One Day All Alcohol Liquor License for Dean Botelho of the Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity to be used at 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth, MA for a family style dinner, from 6PM – 12AM on:

3/3/18, 3/10/18, 4/21/18, 6/2/18, 9/29/18, 10/27/18; Liquor transfer dates 3/2/18; 3/4/18; 4/20/18; 4/22/18; 6/1/18; 6/3/18; 9/28/18; 9/30/18; 10/26/18; 10/28/18. All Vote 5-0

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve a Special One Day All Alcohol Liquor License for Dean Botelho of the Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity to be used at 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth, MA on 1/26/19 from 6PM – 12AM for a family style dinner; liquor transfer dates 1/25/19 & 1/27/19. All Vote 5-0

**Action Item #10: Special One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for Dean Botelho of Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve a Special One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for Dean Botelho of the Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity to be used at 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth, MA on 8/17/18; 8/18/18 from 6PM – 12AM and 8/19/18 from 12Noon – 11:00PM; liquor transfer dates 8/10/18 - 8/16/18 (needed for transport/delivery purposes). All Vote 5-0

**Page Five of Five**  
**Board of Selectmen, Meeting Minutes**  
**February 5, 2018**

**Action Item #11: 375<sup>th</sup> Appointment**

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to appoint David LeComte and Michelle Botelho to the 375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee effective 2/5/18 – 12/31/18. All Vote 5-0

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**2/5/18 Selectmen's Reports:**

**Vadnais:** Sprague Road: Abandoned by Town Meeting vote 1928. It is a declared fire lane. The road has since been blocked off by a resident. The road can be accessed by Old Anawan Street. I will gather more information on this and see if we still have a right of way.

**Schwall:** Thanked all who attended and helped out with the 375<sup>th</sup> Ball, it was a great evening. Thanked all responders from Rehoboth as well as the surrounding six communities who came out to help with a house fire on Davis Street. Our thoughts go out to the family.

**Pimental:** Renovation of Police Department cells for monitoring system will be under \$10,000.00. On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve proposal of \$4,635.00 to come out of Emergency Repairs Public Safety Line, to replace the Honeywell Netaxs three door access controller with a Galaxy six door access controller and install two proximity card readers for event log reporting within the access system. All Vote 5-0

**Perry:** none

**Muri:** handed out job description for Facilities Maintenance Manager to Board members and asked that they review for next agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Selectmen S. Pimental made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 9:50 PM., Second by Selectmen J. Muri. Vadnais – aye; Perry – aye; Pimental – aye; Schwall – aye; Muri – aye

---

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

---

Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman

---

Susan M. Pimental, Clerk

---

David A. Perry, Jr., Member

---

James Muri, Member

---

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kelly J. Hathaway  
Assistant Town Administrator

Approved 3/5/18