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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MONDAY, March 20, 2017
MEETING MINUTES
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

Present: Frederick “Skip Vadnais, Chairman; Gerald Schwall, Vice Chairman; Susan Pimental, Clerk; Dave Perry, Member

Also present: Helen Dennen

1.0) Executive Session: At 6:30 p.m. S. Pimental made a motion to enter into Executive Session, 2nd 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: Dispatcher’s Contract Negotiations*

Call to Order at 7:11p.m.: The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2.0) Consent Agenda

Warrants: S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 17-37A, Withholdings, \$25,484.89; 17-38B, Payroll, \$94,546.62; 17-37 Invoices: \$28,600.03; 17-37R, Refunds, \$8,570.86. S. Pimental made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, G. Schwall. Voted 4-0

Minutes: S. Pimental made a motion to approve the Regular Session Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2017. Second, G. Schwall. All Vote 4-0

Open Forum – Announcements:

Next Selectmen’s Meeting will be on Monday March 27, 2017 at the Senior Center at 7PM

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Town Administrator's Report:

- On Thursday, we did a walk-through of the old Anawan School with Dean Harrison of WDC, Jonathan Tambia from Dept. of Housing and Community Development, Skip Vadnais, Dave Perry and John Santos. We are hoping to get approval for the project to begin.
- Leeann Bradley of Conservation informed me that they have received \$15,000 to begin the process of updated the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan. This is through the Community Compact Agreement and Leeann will be working with SRPEDD. The Board of Selectmen thanked Leeann Bradley and Helen Dennen.
- Last week there was a leak in the Ambulance bay of the Public Safety Building. The water leak damaged a lot of the medical supplies also damaging the electric system of the closets keeping them in the locked position. They will be getting an estimate for the damages.

3.0) NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: 7:15PM Cont. Public Hearing Hillside

S. Pimental recused herself from Public Hearing.

It is regarding a change of beneficial interest for a General on Premises Liquor License.

On a motion made by G. Schwall, Second by D. Perry it was voted to open continued public hearing. Roll Call: Perry – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye

No one present to speak on issue. No one had any questions.

On a motion made by G. Schwall, Second by D. Perry it was voted to close public hearing. Roll Call; Perry – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye

On a motion made by G. Schwall, Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve application from Hillside Golf LLC for a change in beneficial interest in liquor license. All Vote 3-0

Action Item #2: Board of Health

Rachel Smith, Karl Drown and Kathy Knight present.

The Board of Health has not been successful on hiring a new health agent and will be discussing at upcoming meeting if they will re-advertise for the position. The Board has reached out to an individual that expressed an interest and is qualified. The Board will discuss the issue further at their meeting. Board of Health will be submitting a contract, for the new health agent, to Gerry Schwall for review.

Action Item #3: FY18 Budget Reviews

Police Department; Chief Trombetta & Lt. Brady present.

The Chief put in for four new patrolmen to the budget. The wages are higher meeting the negotiated contract. Trombetta: I met with Glatfelter for a 6-hour meeting regarding liability risk assessment.

- We are under staffed- hire more – this will reduce overtime, long shifts, tired employees
- Increasing training budget – includes Blue Line indoor firing range that is brought to the station for training in; scenario based shoot don't shoot, low light night fire, etc. two times a year.

Brady: We are hoping to get the 911 grant.

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Capital budget: Funding for Police Department cells to bring them into compliance.

Action Item #4: Review of May 8 STM & ATM Warrants

Item tabled until next meeting and also have police give input in regards to the speed limit sign article.

Action Item #5: Reserve Fund Transfer

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve request for transfer from the reserve fund for the Highway Department for the Medical Exams and Physicals in the amount of \$600.00 to be transferred into Line# 014203-53010, then to be forwarded to Finance Committee. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #6: Budget Amendment

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve budget amendment as follows:

Account Number	Department	Increase	Decrease
011223-54200	BOS Office Exp-Office Supplies	\$294.00	
011223-57310	BOS Office Dues		\$294.00
011873-52971	BOS Fac Maint TOB/Water	\$150.00	
011873-52141	BOS Fac Maint TOB/Oil		\$150.00
011873-52973	BOS Fac Maint PSB/Water	\$400.00	
011873-52133	BOS Fac Maint PSB/Gas		\$400.00

All Vote 4-0

Action Item #7: Nominations for Inspector of Animals

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to nominate Robert E. Johnson II and Brian McKearney as Inspector of Animals for the Town of Rehoboth in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of Chapter 129, General Laws for a term running from 5/1/17 – 4/30/18. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #8: Snow & Ice Deficit

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve snow and ice deficit in the amount of \$3,886.01 which will result in a deficit balance of \$103,172.36. All Vote 4-0

OPEN FORUM:

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
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Vadnais: none

Schwall: Saturday I had the opportunity to be on the radio show Breakfast Blend WVBF – 1530AM. I want to thank Peter and Zach Caron. They were very hospitable. We had an opportunity to speak about the Public Safety Building and I hope it was informative.

- This Thursday I will be heading to Sturbridge, along with the Town Clerk, to listen to a workshop put on by the Secretary of State regarding the Local Update Census Address(Luca) about Geo Maps upgrading.
- This Thursday night there will be a meet the candidates' night put on by the Rehoboth Business Association. All the candidates put up for election have been invited. It is at Hillside Country Club starting at 5:30PM, tickets will be sold at the door.

Pimental: none

Perry: By high demand the Memorial Day Parade will run the same way it did two years ago, from the COA to the gazebo.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen S. Pimental made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:35 PM., Second by Selectmen D. Perry. Vadnais – aye; Perry – aye; Pimental – aye; Schwall - aye

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman

Susan M. Pimental, Clerk

David A. Perry, Jr., Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly J. Hathaway,
Interim Assistant Town Administrator

Approved 4/10/17