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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2019
MEETING MINUTES
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

Present: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais; Selectman Gerry Schwall, Selectman Dave Perry, Selectman James Muri, Selectman Michael Costello, and Deborah Arruda, Assistant to the Town Administrator

At 6:00 PM it was voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to **MGL CHAPTER 30A, Section 21(a) (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;

On a motion made by Selectman Perry, seconded by Selectman Muri, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session.

Roll Call Vote: Vadnais, aye; Perry, aye; Muri, aye; Costello, aye, Schwall, aye, Vote 5-0

Topics of Discussion: Medical Leave Update, Highway and Clerical Contracts; Town Accountant Contract; Fiber Project

Call to Order at 7:08 p.m.: The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.0) Consent Agenda

Warrants for April 8, 2019: G. Schwall read the weekly Warrants; 19-40A Withholdings, \$27,736.00, 19-41B Payroll, \$103,088.22; 19-40 Warrant, \$41,743.63. J. Muri motioned to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

Minutes:

J. Muri motion to approve Regular Minutes from 2/11/19. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0
Executive Session Minutes: none.

Open Forum – Announcements:

On Tuesday, April 30th at 7:00 PM the Rehoboth Green Energy Committee will be hosting a Q & A session at Goff Hall. Green Communities Regional Coordinator, Seth Pickering, will be present to answer questions regarding the Stretch Code which voters will be asked to consider at the Annual Town Meeting on May 13.

May 2nd Finance Committee Summit in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen advance of Town Meeting to review budget and warrant articles.

Ron Whittemore, Keep Rehoboth Beautiful, April 22nd through 28th for Clean Up, Reporter or Website. Board has been invited to help with clean up.

Little League opening day will be on April 27th

Chief Trombetta reported on the stabbing on Sunday morning; 18 years old, stable condition. Acknowledged Officer Casey, Detective McGovern, Officer Ramos. 19-year-old suspect in custody 4/8 in Weymouth. Held in Rehoboth, arraigned in Taunton. G. Schwall thanked the officers for great work.

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16th at 7:00 PM at Senior Center 55 Bay State Road Rehoboth MA

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item #1: Reserve Police Officer Appointments

S. Vadnais motion to approve the appointment of Joseph Baker as a Reserve Police Officer, effective April 9, 2019 – June 30, 2019, subject to a pre-employment physical and drug testing. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

S. Vadnais motion to approve the appointment of Michael Jones as a Reserve Police Officer, effective April 9, 2019 – June 30, 2019, subject to a pre-employment physical and drug testing. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

Action Item #2: Review of Draft Town Meeting Warrant

J. Muri motion to open the STM Warrant. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

S. Vadnais motion to vote to include Article 4 to the Warrant, regarding Community Preservation Committee/Town Clerk to achieve Microfilm Project. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

S. Vadnais motion to close Warrant for STM. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

M. Costello motion to open Warrant for ATM. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

M. Costello motion to vote to remove Conservation Committee – bylaw – Article 11 from Warrant. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

J. Muri motion to close the ATM Warrant. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

Discussion:

Regarding Article 12, Chapter N

C. Panofsky, 291 Fairview Ave., of the Green Energy Committee came to speak about the Stretch Energy Code:

- Committee's purpose is to qualify town for grants and other help.
- one requirement is to vote on Stretch Energy Code
- Policy for vehicles for town more efficient, hybrids are good
- Energy Audit of 3 buildings needs to be done, working on method but need Stretch Code to pass.
- Need vehicle inventory list from BOS, most town vehicles are exempt

Action Item #3 Review Job Description: Health Agent; Transfer Station Manager; Transfer Station Monitor

M. Costello motion to approve the Health Agent job description with changes. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

Discussion:

M. Costello questioned item T and X on page 2 and suggested adding “field surveying equipment” in the “Tools and Equipment Used” section on page 3.

M. Costello motion to approve the Transfer Station Manager job description as presented. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

M. Costello motion to approve the Transfer Station Monitor job description as presented. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

Action Item #4: Revised Algonquin Gas Communication Protocol

No vote necessary.

Action Item #5: Request to Allow Dr. Bruce Thayer to Remain on the COA Board

J. Muri motion to approve a waiver to Dr. Bruce Thayer under Chapter A; Article VI, Section 2 of the Town’s General Bylaws allowing him to remain as a member of the Rehoboth Council on Aging Board. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

Discussion:

M. Costello warned the board to be very careful as it has been denied before.

J. Muri advised to take it on a case by case basis.

Action Item #6: Appointment of Election Worker

D. Perry motion to appoint Mary Seccareccia as an Election Worker – Unenrolled in Precinct 1. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

Action Item #7: Approve Volunteer for the Council on Aging

J. Muri motion to approve Fern Stebbings as a volunteer in support of COA activities. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

Action Item #8: Approval of Snow Related Invoices as Submitted by Highway Department

D. Perry motion to vote to approve payment of invoices submitted by the Highway Department in the amount of \$7,670.63, which includes subcontractors and salt. Second by J. Muri. Vote 4-0. M. Costello abstained.

Action Item #9: Budget Amendments

D. Perry motion to approve the following budget amendment for the Police Department:

Increase Line	012052-51550	Police Comp/Court Time	\$3,000
Decrease Line	012052-51430	Police Comp/IOD Replacement	\$1,000
Decrease Line	012052-51540	Police Comp/Sick Replacement	\$1,000
Decrease Line	012052-51990	Police Comp/Holiday Replacement	\$1,000

Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0

Action Item #10: April 22 Meeting

The board agreed to skip the April 22nd meeting because of the upcoming holidays.

Action Item #11: Director of Information Technology and Media Position Update

J. Muri motion to include James Trombetta as a third party, in addition to J. Muri and Dave Scanlon, for the interview process for the Director of IT and Media position. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0. G. Schwall abstained.

OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: School project – 50k invested – can they come in to discuss Dean Harrison

Schwall:

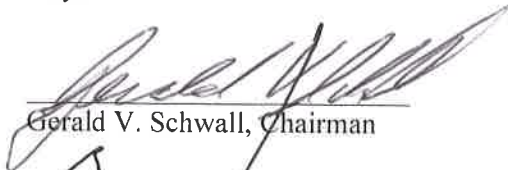
1. Fin Summit 5/2 7:00 PM at COA – televised live
2. Algonquin Gas – Barney Ave./Almeida Rd., 4/16-4/19 doing work
3. Keep Rehoboth Beautiful – work together or separate streets
 - SV ask Abby where she needs us
 - together
 - Sunday before noon

Perry: No report.

Muri: Tim Johnson, Propane Plus, free thermo, thank you

Costello: No report.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen J. Muri made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:10 PM., Second by Selectmen D. Perry. Perry – aye; Costello – aye; Muri – aye, and Schwall – aye, Vadnais – aye.


Gerald V. Schwall, Chairman


James Muri, Vice Chairman


David A. Perry, Jr., Clerk


Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

4/8/19

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Member


Michael Costello, Member



Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Arruda

Assistant to the Town Administrator

Approved 2/10/2020