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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MONDAY, May 22, 2017
MEETING MINUTES
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

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

Absent: Susan Pimental, Clerk

Also present: Helen Dennen

1.0) Executive Session: At 6:35 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; (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; (6) To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body*

Topics of Discussion: Police Grievance; Winthrop Street Pilot Agreement*

Call to Order at 7:04 p.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; 17-46A, Withholdings, \$26,814.73; 17-47B, Payroll, \$99,301.70; 17-46 Invoices: \$35,751.02; 17-46B1, Payroll, \$1,320.39; G. Schwall made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, D. Perry. Voted 4-0

Minutes: G. Schwall made a motion to approve the Regular Session Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2017. Second, J. Muri. All Vote 4-0; G. Schwall made a motion to approve the Regular Session Meeting Minutes from May 8, 2017. Second, D. Perry. All Vote 4-0; G. Schwall made a motion to approve the Regular Session Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2017. Second, D. Perry. All Vote 4-0

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Open Forum – Announcements:

- Next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Tuesday May 30, 2017 at the Senior Center at 7PM.
- G. Schwall: We have a young man in 8th grade at Beckwith School named Erick Sampson who has been making, soy boys, candles with his dad. He has built his brand so well, that you can go on his website and request his newsletter that he will send out quarterly. He is also selling them at Anawan Pharmacy. I am not trying make people buy candles. We need to celebrate young people like this.
- D. Perry: we are going to acquire a cannon from reserves battalion on Fire Tower Road. We need to find a home for it. Dave will follow up on cannon.

Town Administrator's Report:

- The Annual Report is completed and printed. It is available in the Town Clerks Office.
- I spoke with Atty. Bill Solomon and he will be sending a fee agreement and general recommendations for the Board to review regarding establishing a 5013C Corporation for local access.
- Electric service currently provided by ConEdison Solutions will be provided by Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. Residents will see this change in their July bill. Information and a link to the MASSCEA website has been put on the Town website
- On Friday, we received \$49,730 in funds earmarked for Rehoboth from the Department of Elder Affairs for replacement of the heating system at the Senior Center. Thank you to Representative Howitt.
- The Board is invited to the DR Regional High School commencement exercises on June 2 6PM.
- I have successfully completed and passed all three procurement classes and can apply for certification as Chief Procurement Officer.

NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: Interview for BOH Appointment

Rachel Smith: BOH Chairman, present; Mark Hass; candidate, present.

This position will fill Kathy Knights term on Board of Health.

Rachel recommends Mark Hass be appointed. Resume reads strong, very experienced and strong agricultural and managerial background.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Mark R. Hass to the Board of Health effective 5/22/17 – 6/30/18. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #2: Discussion: Town Clerk Re: Date of Special Town Election

Laura Schwall, Town Clerk.

We need to set date for election for the capital and debt exclusion. The School recommends as soon as possible. Laura recommends June 27, 2017

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve June 27, 2017 for the date of the special election for the capital and debt exclusion. All Vote 4-0

Voter registration will be on June 7, 2017 and the Board of Selectmen need to sign warrant by June 5, 2017.

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On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to accept wording of the debt exclusion ballot question as read by S. Vadnais and approved by bond counsel Brenda McDonough of Locke Lord. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to accept wording of the capital debt exclusion ballot question as read by S. Vadnais and approved by Town Counsel Jay Talerma. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #3: Discussion: Town Clerk Re: Fall Special Town Meeting

Laura Schwall, Town Clerk.

We need to push the Special Town Meeting later due to the Special State Election scheduled for 10/17/17. I spoke with Bill Cote & Assessors and they are both agreeable to Monday 11/6/17.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to hold the Special Town Meeting on Monday November 6, 2017. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #4: Animal Advisory Committee

Richard Panofsky, Chairman present.

The committee has been working on updated animal related state regulations. Richard reviewed the committee's recommendations with the Board of Selectmen. One recommendation was raising violation fees in regards to unlicensed dogs, unruly dog/dogs, etc. More recommendations were to raise personal kennel license fees and animal adoption fees.

Action Item #5: Review Draft of Complete Streets Policy

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to table item until final application complete. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #6: Special Year End Budget Amendments

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve budget amendments as follows:

Account Number	Department	Increase	Decrease
011223-53010	BOS Sel. Office Exp.-Med/Physicals	\$100.00	
011263-53412	BOS Town Off. Telephones-Cell		\$100.00
011513-53060	BOS Town Counsel	\$18,000.00	
011241-51110	BOS Town Admin. Salary		\$18,000.00
015113-53000	BOH Prof/Tech	\$2,005.00	
015113-57110	BOH In State Mileage	\$300.00	
015111-51110	BOH Agent/Salary		\$2,305.00

All Vote 4-0

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Action Item #7: Special One Day Wine & Malt Liquor Licenses

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve one day Special Wine & Malt only Liquor License for Young's Catering manager Carol Marcil; 64 Newman Avenue, Seekonk, MA for a Shower on 6/3/17 from 10AM – 1PM at the Country Gardens, 339 Tremont Street, Rehoboth, MA, transfer dates: 6/2/17 & 6/4/17. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve one day Special Wine & Malt only Liquor License for Emery's Catering manager Elizabeth Silver; 24 Central Street, Central Falls, RI for a Wedding on 5/28/17 from 4:30PM – 9:30PM at 39 Round Farm Road, Rehoboth, MA, transfer dates: 5/27/17 & 5/29/17. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve one day Special Wine & Malt only Liquor License for the Norton Lion's Club manager Jack Morrissey; P.O. Box 1, Norton, MA for a Clamboil on 6/10/17 from 6PM – 10PM at the S. Seekonk Gun Club, 61 Reed Street, Rehoboth, MA, transfer dates: 6/9/17 & 6/11/17. All Vote 4-0

Action Item #8: BOS Department Liaison Assignments

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the new updated list and approved it. The list will be forwarded to all department heads.

Action Item #9: Senator Markey Letter

We have received confirmation that Senator Markey's Office received our letter regarding the overwhelming vote of opposition to the construction by Spectra Energy of a gas compressor station in Rehoboth and the list of questions left unanswered by Spectra. Skip read letter from their office and they are taking this matter very seriously. Senator Markey's office will work with us in hopes to get all the unanswered questions answered. This information will be sent to Chris; spokesperson for CARCS.

Action Item #10: Blanding Library Payment

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to disburse payment to the Rehoboth Antiquarian Society, Inc. for funds received by the Town of Rehoboth Treasurer in the amount of \$13,300,48 for the operation of Blanding Library Services. All Vote 4-0

OPEN FORUM:

- After Ambulance lost several items due to a roof leak-Chuck Procopio went on roof and examined the problems. He recommended that if the Town did not vote to build a new public safety building, then the roof needs to be done. I am not a rubber roof consultant which is the roof that is over the ambulance side, but it is easy to analyze the issues. Chuck showed the Board pictures of all the defects and holes on the roof. The roof is hollow under rubber. It is in rough shape. The roof needs to be at least patched for the time being. D.

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Perry will get quotes to bring to the Board. Chuck will give the Board an idea of how much it will cost to pitch roof.

- Chuck Procopio, Parks Commission Chairman: D. Perry will work with Chuck in coordinating the Gazebo being turned over to Parks Commission. The Commissions (Veterans Relocation Commission & Parks Commission) will meet to discuss the transition and timeline.
- On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Nicholas Procopio to the Town Events Committee effective 5/22/17 – 6/30/17. All Vote 4-0

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

5/22/17 Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: none

Schwall: I had the opportunity to attend the Lions Club Special Recognition Celebration. I just want to commend the Lions Club for allowing us to celebrate some wonderful people in our town. People need to also nominate people for these awards. Rob Johnson and Cheryl Tate won awards. Thank you to Lions and Hillside Country Club.


Pimental: none

Perry: none

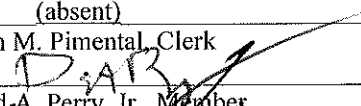
Muri: none

ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen G. Schwall made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 9:30 PM., Second by Selectmen D. Perry. Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Muri – aye; Perry – aye

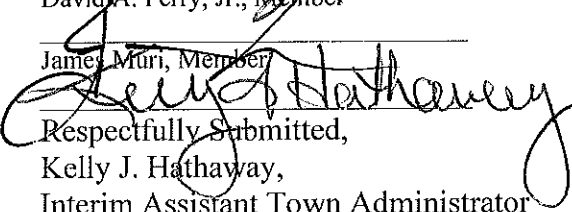

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman


Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman
(absent)

Susan M. Pimental, Clerk


David A. Perry, Jr., Member

James Muri, Member


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

Approved 6/26/17