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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING MONDAY MARCH 12, 2018**  
**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 6:00 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; (6) To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body.\*

**Topics of Discussion:** Purchase of Land for Municipal Purposes; Update on Litigation\*

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

**2.0) Consent Agenda**

**Warrants for March 5, 2018:** S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 18-35A: Withholdings, \$27,825.34; 18-35A1: Withholdings, \$491.96; 18-35B, Payroll, \$98,535.94; 18-35 Invoices, \$25,829.50; J. Muri made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, D. Perry. Voted 4-0

**Warrants for March 12, 2018:** G. Schwall read the weekly Warrants; 18-36A: Withholdings, \$28,190.43; 18-37B, Payroll, \$103,862.64; 18-36 Invoices, \$82,995.40; 18-36R, Refunds \$34,630.96; D. Perry made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, J. Muri. Voted 4-0

**Minutes:** Executive Session Meeting Minutes from February 12, 2018 were approved & held in Executive Session.

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**Open Forum – Announcements:**

- Next Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Senior Center 55 Bay State Road Rehoboth MA.
- Assistant Principal Elise DuBois was present to be recognized for being given Massachusetts Assistant Principal of the Year Award: Dr. Anthony Azar spoke on her behalf and told stories of how special she is and how proud he was to have such a remarkable Assistant Principal in Palmer River School. He also discussed the ceremony that took place at Palmer River School to honor Mrs. DuBois. She may also become the Assistant Principal of the United States, if chosen. Mrs. DuBois spoke about her roots in Rehoboth and how honored she is to be a part of the district. Kathy Cooper also spoke highly of Mrs. DuBois. G. Schwall read proclamation that was given by the Selectmen to Mrs. DuBois.
- Rob Johnson- Tree Warden, Mike Costello-Highway Superintendent, Bill Maiorano-Director of REMA present; discussion ensued regarding the past storm and how everyone worked well as a team and Bill Maiorano arranged to have volunteers from MEMA and Mass Water Resource Authority to come in and help with cleanup efforts. Discussion ensued regarding future storm.

**Town Administrators Report:**

- The Town Offices will be closed tomorrow due to the impending storm, the transfer station will also most likely be closed, please call before going. If the transfer station is closed tomorrow they will be open for usual business on Saturday.
- This morning I attended the CORE Team meeting on core and resilience building. This meeting was put on by Leeann Bradley the Town Planner/Conservation Agent. Those in attendance were provided the Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Program. We are one of 65 communities that are part of this program that have received a grant. We have received \$5,000 and when final report is completed we will receive another \$5,000. There will be a workshop meeting coming up at the COA, 30 people will be invited to attend and will be limited to Town employees and appointed or elected individuals.
- If we become a Green Community we will be able to apply for special grants.
- New requirements from MaDOT have come out regarding; new licenses, renewal of licenses, id cards or learner's permits. These requirements take effect March 26, 2018.

**NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: Appointment for Economic Development Committee**

Lisa Milich was present to discuss her qualifications. The Board stated that she had an impressive resume and that she is very qualified to be on the committee.

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by D. Perry it was voted to appoint Lisa Milich to the Economic Development Committee effective 3/12/18 – 6/30/18. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item #2: Appoint Members to the Green Energy Committee**

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Patricia Abrahamson, David Feeney, Jessica Skyleson and Lisa Wentworth to the Green Energy Committee effective 3/12/18 – 6/30/18. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to appoint Chris Cooper to the Green Energy Committee representing the Planning Board effective 3/12/18 – 6/30/18. All Vote 4-0

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**Action Item #3: Review of FY2019 Budgets**

Building Department/Inspection Services: Discussion ensued. On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve building department/inspection services budget for FY2019 as submitted. All Vote 4-0

Forestry Department: Rob Johnson present, discussion ensued. On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve Forestry Department FY2019 budget as submitted. All Vote 4-0

Animal Control: On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve FY2019 budget. All Vote 4-0

Board of Health: Discussion ensued. On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve Board of Health FY2019 budget as amended. All Vote 4-0

ZBA: On a motion made by J. Muri Second by it was G. Schwall it was voted to approve FY2019 budget. All Vote 4-0

Finance Committee: On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was it was voted to approve FY2019 budget. All Vote 4-0

REMA: On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve FY2019 budget. All Vote 4-0

Historical Commission: On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve FY2019 budget. All Vote 4-0

Town Accountant: On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to table item until next agenda. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item #4: Review of Amendments to Animal Control General Bylaws by Animal Advisory Committee**

Richard Panofsky- Chairman of Animal Advisory Committee, Amy Hurd-Member of Animal Advisory Committee and Rob Johnson- ACO present.

The Animal Advisory Committee has submitted requests for amendments and/or additions to General Bylaws. The Board reviewed amendments to General Bylaws relating to Animal Control Bylaws Chapter B Protection of Persons and Property, Article VI Permits, Licenses & Public Demeanor Sections 16-22C.

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 16 to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 17 to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 18 to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 19 to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

Discussion ensued regarding fines for unregistered dogs.

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 22 to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 22A to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 22B to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to accept amendments made to Section 22C to be placed on warrant. All Vote 4-0

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**Action Item #5: Snow Removal Invoices**

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve deficit spending for ice & snow removal for invoices totaling \$3,264.48 for a total deficit balance as of 3/7/18 of \$23,577.55. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item #6: Reserve Fund Transfer**

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve reserve fund transfer for Highway Department of \$2,100.00 to be transferred to Line #014212-51310, for unforeseen storm on 3/2/18 and to forward to Finance Committee for approval. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item #7: Appoint Board of Registrars Member**

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by D. Perry it was voted to reappoint Jennifer Moitoso as a Member of the Board of Registrars effective 4/1/18 – 3/31/21. All Vote 4-0

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**3/12/18 Selectmen's Reports:**

**Vadnais:** none

**Schwall:** The Attorney Generals Office has notified us that there will be another 30-day extension to approve or disapprove Article 5. MGL allows up to a 90-day extension.

**Pimental:** absent

**Perry:** none

**Muri:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:** Selectmen G. Schwall made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 9:45 PM., Second by Selectmen J. Muri. 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  
(absent)

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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 4/17/18