

7/26/21

**7:00 PM Call to Order – Open with Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**WARRANTS:**

Warrant approval:

**MINUTES:** Regular Minutes: 1/19/2021  
Executive Minutes: N/A

**Announcements:**

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be held on Monday, August 2 at 7 PM at Town Hall.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**The Treasurer's office is looking for a Temporary-Part-time Payroll/Office Clerk. Job Description and application are available on the Town Website or by request in the Board of Selectmen's office.**

**Transfer Station is still looking for two Monitors. Interested applicants, please send in your application to the Board of Selectmen's office.**

**OPEN PUBLIC FORUM:**

7/26/21

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (1): Recognition of “Ava and Ryan” Day-Awardees for the Arson Watch Program**

**Background:** Jim Muri can speak to this as the motion was made by him. The motion made last week 7/19 was to make today “Ava and Ryan Day” based on their hard work and achievement in winning the Arson Watch Program. A proclamation will be prepared for the meeting.

**Motion:**

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (2): Discussion Re: Human Rights-Presentation Given by Patricia Donahue**

**Background:** Last year Patty contacted our office regarding the start of a Human Rights Committee in town. Dighton as well as other towns have put together a human rights committee and Patty is here tonight to present her ideas to the Board and residents. Patty also will like to show different areas in which this committee can help the residents/families in town.

**Motion:**

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (3): Discussion Re: Historical Commission and Demolition of Buildings at Francis Farm, with possible action**

**Background:** The Chairman of the Historical Commission, Mark Canuel asked to meet with the Board to discuss the demolition of buildings at Francis Farm

**Motion:**

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (4): Discussion Re: Francis Farm-COA Revised Floor Plan**

**Background:** Skip will discuss the new floor plan that was prepared last week. The Building Commissioner met with Skip to help with the layout.

**Motion:**

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (5): Discussion Re: Relocation of Board of Health Services and Veterans Services**

**Background:** Skip will speak to these updates

**Motion:**

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (6): Vote to Approve Highway Superintendent's Contract Amendment**

**Background:** Dave Perry will speak to this discussion. With increasing responsibilities being required from the Superintendent, a temporary increase to his salary is being requested for added duties.

**Motion:** Vote to approve Michael Costello to perform additional duties as Facilities Supervisor on a part-time basis, for the term 7/27/2021-6/30/2022 and being paid a weekly stipend of \$383.14.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (7): Vote to Approve Fiber Optic Municipal Area Network Quote for Francis Farm**

**Background:** Director of the IT Department is requesting approval of the attached Comm-Tract quote for additional fiber networking for the Francis Farm location. The approximate amount is \$25,762.00. (Price does not include licensing pole or underground facilities, police detail, any permit or license fees, underground construction, or taxes- if applicable). Quote is good for 90 days.

**Motion:** To approve the quote from Comm-Tract for \$25,762.00 and to allow the IT Director to sign it.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**



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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (8): Vote to Approve Reserve Fund Transfer for the Fire Dept Vehicle Repair & Maintenance 012203-52420 for \$11,273.69**

**Background:** Per M.G.L. Chapter 40, Sec 6, Chief Barresi is requesting a Reserve Fund Transfer in the amount of \$11,273.69 for repairs that need to be done on engine 3.

**Motion:** To Approve the Reserve Fund Transfer of \$11,273.69 to account number #012203/52420 Vehicle repair and maintenance and to allow the Accountant to forward the paperwork to the Finance Committee.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (9): Vote to Approve Bristol-Plymouth Reg Tech School 1st Quarter Assessment Payment of \$237,402 for FY22**

**Background:** At their March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Tech School approved the District's FY22 budget. Per our agreement with the school, our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter payment will be due by 8/13/2021 in the amount of \$237,402. This amount is 21% of the total FY22 assessment of \$1,130,485.

**Motion:** To Approve the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter payment of \$237,402 and to process the payment.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (10): Vote to Approve MEMA Reimbursement for FEMA-4496-DR-MA-March 27, 2020 Covid-19**

**Background:** Chief Barresi through REMA is requesting the Board’s approval of the contract from MEMA for the federal share reimbursement under FEMA-4496-DR-MA associated with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance Program. Documents have been reviewed by the Chief and the Accountant. This is to cover PPE, disinfecting cleaners, and other items needed during the Pandemic; total reimbursement is \$7600.00.

**Motion:** To approve the processing of the contact and to allow the Chairman of the Board to sign the necessary documents.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item (11): Vote to Ratify Approval of Agreement with Home Commercial & Security for Fire Alarms/Monitoring for Francis Farm-COA**

**Background:** Home Commercial and Security has begun work at Francis Farm on the fire alarms and monitoring services. The Interim Town Administrator had to sign the contract in order for the work to begin, with approval from the Chairman of the Board. The Board needs to ratify the approval of the work and contract.

**Motion:** To ratify the approval made by the Chairman for Home Commercial and Security to begin the process for the fire alarms and monitoring services at Francis Farm and to allow the Interim Town Administrator to sign the electronic documents.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item#12: Vote to Approve Appointment to IT Committee, Community Preservation Committee, & Agricultural Commission, and Reappointments to Economic Development Committee, Green Energy Committee, Historical Commission, Personnel Board, Municipal Building Study Committee, and Community Preservation Committee**

**Motion:** Vote to appoint Timothee J. Maynard to the IT Committee, effective 7/26/2021-6/30/2022.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

**Motion:** Vote to appoint Patricia Vadnais to the Community Preservation Committee, as Agricultural Commission Representative, effective 7/26/2021-6/30/2022.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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*Skip must abstain*

**Discussion:**

**Motion:** Vote to appoint Arthur Gareau to the Agricultural Commission, effective 7/26/2021-6/30/2022.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

**Motion:** Vote to reappoint the following **committee members with the following dates**, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and their consequent “holdover” status for all of fiscal year 2021:

*Please read this disclaimer:*

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic and State of Emergency all 2020 reappointments were considered to be “hold-over” appointments until the State of Emergency was lifted. As such, the following appointed “terms” are being bridged by setting the effective dates with the beginning of the “holdover” appointed terms. This will adjust the appointment records accordingly and eliminate any “break” in service. (This vote effectively ratifies the holdover period).

**Economic Development Committee** (one year term, back dated to cover “holdover” period)

Garth Baker (new this year), effective 7/1/2021-6/30/2022  
Joseph Cherepowich, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Linda Ferreira, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
John Jordan, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Lisa Milich, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Stephen Silva, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Nicole Gardella, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022

**Green Energy Committee** (one year term, back dated to cover “holdover” period)

Carolyn Panofsky, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
David Feeney, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Patricia Abrahamson, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Jessica Skyeson, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Lisa Wentworth, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022

**Historical Commission** (all three-year terms, all ending in 2021)

Mark Canuel, effective 7/1/2021-6/30/2024  
Jann McMurry, effective 7/1/2021-6/30/2024  
Catherine Potter, effective 7/1/2021-6/30/2024

**Personnel Board** (three-year term, ending in 2021)

Craig Chapman, effective 7/1/2021-6/30/2023

**Municipal Building Study Committee** (one year term, back dated to cover “holdover” period)

Francis T. Barresi, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
David Foss, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Scott Meagher, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Joseph Nunes, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Richard Panofsky, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Carolyn Panofsky, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022  
Norman Todd, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022

**Community Preservation Committee** (three-year term, back dated to cover “holdover” period)

Rebecca Smith, as BOS representative, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2023

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item#13: Vote to Ratify Appointments to Conservation Committee, Harvest Block Party Committee, Finance Committee, IT Committee, and Reserve Officers**

**Background:** This is a vote to ratify previous reappointments with new dates to cover the holdover period of 7/1/2020-6/30/2021, and fix minor typos.

*Please read this disclaimer:*

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic and State of Emergency all 2020 reappointments were considered to be “hold-over” appointments until the State of Emergency was lifted. As such, the following appointed “terms” are being bridged by setting the effective dates with the beginning of the “holdover” appointed terms. This will adjust the appointment records accordingly and eliminate any “break” in service. (This vote effectively ratifies the holdover period).

**Motion:** Vote to ratify the reappointments **voted on 7/12/2021** of the following **committee members with the following dates**, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and their consequent “holdover” status for all of fiscal year 2021:

**Conservation Commission:**

- Robert Materne, 7/1/2021-6/30/2024
- David R. Evans, 7/1/2021-6/30/2024
- Matthew Habershaw, 7/1/2021-6/30/2024

*Conservation Commission is a 3-year term, as such some members terms ended in 2020.*

- Matthew Kershaw, 7/1/2020-6/30/2023
- Thomas B. Nicholson, 7/1/2020-6/30/2023

**Harvest Block Party Committee:**

- Cathy Edington, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
  - Cornelius V. Harrington, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
  - Suzanne Laverdiere, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
  - Mary Beth Moriarty, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
  - Raymond M. Olivier, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
  - Charles Procopio, 7/1/2020-12/31/2021
- (Committee is being dissolved at the end of the year.)*

**Finance Committee:**

- Colleen Simpson 7/1/20-6/30/22
- Susan McBride 7/1/20-6/30/22

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Motion:** Vote to ratify the reappointments of the following **Reserve Officers** to be effective 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2022, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and their consequent “holdover” status for all of fiscal year 2021:

JOSEPH BAKER

JUSTIN A. COSTA

JOSHUA FERREIRA

MICHAEL R. JONES

STEPHEN MCKENNA

SCOTT G. ROBBINS

MICHAEL SILVESTRI

GEOFFREY W. STANLEY

JAMES TOLER

CHRISTOPHER VAZ

WILLIAM M. WALKER

BRENT WARISH

DAVID J. WELCH

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Motion:** Vote to ratify the reappointment of the following **Reserve Officer** to be effective 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2022, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and their consequent “holdover” status for all of fiscal year 2021, and ratify officer’s name, originally voted as “Gilbert Lima, Sr.” to “Gilbert P. Lima, Jr.”

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Motion:** Vote to ratify Anna Deignan’s appointment to the **IT Committee** on 7/12/2021 to a reappointment, effective 7/1/2020-6/30/2022.

(The Town Clerk brought it to our attention that Ms. Deignan was already a member of the “IT/Computer Committee”, so her appointment would be a “reappointment”.)

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item#14: Vote to Accept Planning Board’s Notification of a Vacancy on their Board**

**Background:** On July 6<sup>th</sup> the Board of Selectmen voted to approve the resignation of Tish Vadnais from the Planning Board. According to the General Bylaws, the Planning Board has 30 days to notify the Selectmen of the vacancy. The BOS office received the notification on 7/22/21. Both Boards will now have to meet at the following BOS meeting to review any Talent Bank forms that have been submitted to fill the vacancy.

**Motion:** To accept the notification from the Planning Board and to include on the Board of Selectmen’s Agenda for August 2<sup>nd</sup> a discussion with the Planning Board to review applicants.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Action Item#15: Vote to Approve Warrant for Robert E. Johnson, Constable, Dog Officer, Police Officer of the Town of Rehoboth**

**Background:** Per M.G.L. Chapter 140 section 151A, The Animal Control Officer is given approval to proceed with seeking out, catch and confine all dogs within the Town not duly licensed, collared or harnessed, and tagged. This approval is necessary since the Town Clerk has over 200 unregistered dogs in town. As of August 1<sup>st</sup> the Animal Control Officer will be contacting the dog owners of all unregistered dogs and/or picking up the dogs. Owners will have to contact the Town Clerk's office to pay all overdue fines and proof of vaccinations will be needed as well.

**Motion:** To approve the Warrant for Robert E. Johnson, Constable, Dog Officer, Police Officer of the Town of Rehoboth and to allow the Chairman to sign the Warrant.

<b>Moved:</b>		<b>Second:</b>		<b>Vote:</b>	
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**Discussion:**

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**Department Head Reports:**

**Selectmen's Reports:**

Vadnais:

Deignan:

Perry:

Muri:

Solas: