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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Tuesday, February 18, 2020 6:00 PM
EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Gladys L. Hurrell Rehoboth Senior Center
55 Bay State Road

Present: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais, Selectman James Muri, Selectman Gerald Schwall, Selectman Michael Costello, and Town Administrator Assistant Deborah Arruda

At 6:03 PM Chairman Schwall called the meeting to order in open session, stating the first order of business is Executive Session.

On a motion made by Selectman J. Muri, seconded by Selectman S. Vadnais, it was voted to enter Executive Session at 6:03 PM pursuant to *MGL Chapter 30A, §21(a) (2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union 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; (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.*

Chairman Schwall so declares.

Roll call: Schwall, aye; Muri, aye; Costello, aye; Vadnais, aye. Vote 4-0.

Selectman David Perry arrived at 6:06 PM

Topic of discussion:
Lindley Lane

The homeowner is proceeding with complaint and wants chain removed from the street.

S. Vadnais- motion to remove chain and return Monroe Conservation area back to a walking area. Second by D. Perry. **Roll call:** Perry, aye; Muri, aye; Schwall, aye; Costello, aye; Vadnais, aye. Vote 5-0.

Topic of discussion:
Discussion with Town Accountant and Town Treasurer

The Town Accountant would like the opportunity to address the Board concerning the payment for the modular building purchased from Dartmouth.

Present: Town Accountant Roberta Oliveira and Town Treasurer Cheryl Gouveia joined the Executive Meeting at 6:15 PM

Roberta and Cheryl reviewed the purchase of the modular building for the Public Safety Department – Roberta is questioning ways money was appropriated in order to purchase the building.

S. Vadnais mentioned that Roberta has read the paperwork that was given to her so she understands the steps that were taken by the Board through MGL directive

J. Muri- Gerry Schwall has taken the main run with all purchases. He is not pursuing opportunities alone, but as a member of our Board and decisions are voted as a group. Many things are confidential that we discuss and cannot be shared. Roberta heard about the purchase through the media and did research and asked questions.

G. Schwall next time there are questions, please come to the Board of Selectmen's office.

D. Perry- It took a longer route but we reached the same goal.

6:30 PM meeting with Roberta and Cheryl ended.

Topic of discussion:

Discussion with Building Commissioner

The Building Commissioner will join the Board to discuss the potential of entering into an employment contract with the Town.

Present: Building Commissioner Bill McDonough joined Executive Session at 6:32 PM

G. Schwall brought the Board up to date with past discussions with Bill.

Bill McDonough- filling in for 2 and ½ years. Bill spoke of his strength and knowledge in building and working and learning Rehoboth zoning; enjoys the job; works well with the current Board but, because things and Board members change, doesn't feel secure at this time – has not heard any negativity in regards to job performance but if there's a change in Board members, the members can change things in the Building Department.

S. Vadnais- motion to enter into 3-year contract with Bill McDonough. Second by D. Perry.

Discussion: D. Perry- go ahead and put it into FY21 budget.

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

G. Schwall- need right of assignment (D. Perry) to work with Bill McDonough and get it complete.

At 6:47 PM meeting with Bill McDonough ended.

Topic of discussion:

Miscellaneous

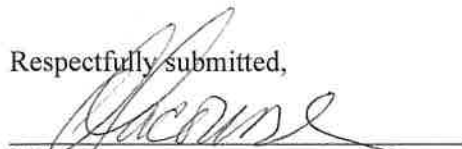
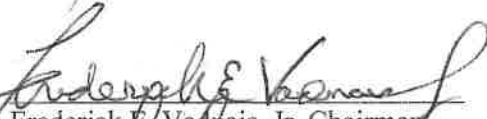
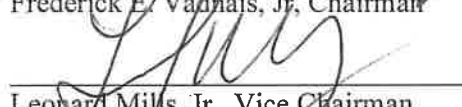
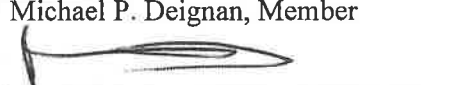
M. Costello- received a call from resident at Chestnut Street that received our letter. Mr. Menenez- M. Costello witnessed the flow of water and how it works down the road does not come from his house. Homeowner needs to redirect water from driveway.

G. Schwall- we need to make sure our Bylaws are not being violated and the homeowner is doing the correct thing. Once everything is completed, we will follow up with a letter. Any other developments become a civil matter.

Adjournment:

On a motion made by Selectman S. Vadnais, seconded by Selectman J. Muri, it was voted to adjourn the 2/18/2020 Executive Session at 7:00 PM and to reconvene in Regular Session. **Roll call:** Schwall, aye; Muri, aye; Costello, aye; Perry, aye; Vadnais, aye. Vote 5-0

Respectfully submitted,


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Approved: 5/30/2023