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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021
MEETING MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM, TOWN HALL
148 PECK STREET**

Present: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais, Selectman David Perry, Selectman James Muri, Selectman George Solas, Selectmen Michael Deignan and Interim Town Administrator Deborah Arruda

At 8:15 PM the Board voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL CHAPTER 30A, §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.

Chair so declares.

Topics: Assistant to the Town Administrator

Call to Order at 7:13 p.m.: The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.0) Consent Agenda

Warrant for October 12, 2021:

J. Muri motion to approve the Warrant for the week of October 12, 2021: 22-16B Payroll \$105,894.90; 22-15A Withholdings \$30,668.20; 22-15 Warrant \$119,897.44. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 5-0.

Minutes: Executive Minutes: none
Regular Minutes: 6/1/21 and 7/15/21

J. Muri motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes for June 1, 2021. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

D. Perry motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes for July 15, 2021. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 4-0.
J. Muri abstained from the vote.

Announcements:

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be held on Monday, October 18th at 7 PM at Town Hall.

J. Muri updated the public with the nurse's updates on COVID-19 and West Nile/EEE.

Gerry Schwall updated the BOS and public on COVID vaccines and gives an update on a new streamline to get people vaccinated.

J. Muri motion to approve G. Schwall's outline of mailing out a flyer to all residents. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 5-0.

J. Muri motion to approve the Director of Finance to source procurement for toilet paper for "Helping Hands" - \$429 for total. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 5-0.

D. Perry asked if the use of cares money was legal to use for this type of non-profit position. G. Schwall replied assuring that this use is legal. S. Vadnais voiced concern of this action opening a door to others wanting the same treatment. S. Vadnais suggested helping source the toilet paper rather than pay for the product.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Last Call: Tickets for the Rehoboth Fire Fighter's Association's 50th Annual Ball on Saturday, October 16th at 6pm at the Crestwood Country Club. Tickets are \$40 per person, please call Capt. Dan Noons at 508-509-8357.

Reminder: Please check the Town's website for employment opportunities that are available. If there are any questions, please contact the Selectmen's Office.

Reminder: The Personnel Board and the IT Committee are looking for volunteers for their committees. If someone is interested in helping them, please forward your talent bank form to the Selectmen's office.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM:

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item (1): 7:15pm Hearing on Classification of Land for Taxation with possible action taken

The Assessors will be present to discuss with the Board the Classification of Land for Taxation. They will be prepared to explain why Rehoboth will have a single tax rate again.

D. Perry clarified that personal property (chairs, tables, etc.) can cost as much as the building.

S. Vadnais clarified that farms (chickens and other equipment) fall under the 4.147% rate of personal property.

G. Solas asked where Rehoboth stands amongst other areas in Bristol County. Gene was not sure about this.

M. Deignan asked the Assessors for clarification on the topic due to the time he spent in the Finance Committee. There were many questions regarding why Rehoboth was a single tax rate. M. Deignan mentioned a split tax rate, and Gene helped give an explanation.

J. Muri motion to accept recommendations from the Assessors for a single tax rate. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 5-0.

Action Item (2): Vote to Accept the 2020 Re-Precincting Plan

The Town Clerk is requesting the BOS to review and approve the final Re-precincting Legal Boundary Descriptions and final Precinct Map for the Town of Rehoboth. Legal Descriptions were completed by the State, Assessors/Planning/Town Clerk's Offices and forwarded to Town Counsel for legal review.

Laura Schwall thanked Linda Greaves and Daniel Roach for their help with this matter.

M. Deignan motion to accept, as presented by the Rehoboth Town Clerk, the 2020 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Rehoboth of Bristol County, Massachusetts. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Action Item (3): Vote to Approve One Day Liquor Licenses for Michael Malafronte, Rumford Hunting & Fishing Club, Inc and Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity

Michael Malafronte-Rumford Hunting & Fishing Club, Inc. is requesting a One Day Liquor License for 10/15/21 from 7pm-11pm for a comedy fundraiser. Event will be held at South Seekonk Gun Club, 61 Reed Street, Rehoboth.

J. Muri motion to approve a One Day Liquor License for Michael Malafronte-Rumford Hunting & Fishing Club, Inc. For 10/15/21 from 7pm-11pm at the South Seekonk Gun Club, transportation of alcohol will be on 10/14 and 10/16. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity is requesting a One Day Liquor License for 11/13/21 from 6pm-11pm at 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth.

J. Muri motion to approve a One Day Liquor License for the Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity for 11/13/21 from 6pm-11pm at 43 Broad Street, Rehoboth. Transportation of alcohol will be on 11/12/21 and 11/14/21. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Action Item (4): Vote to Ratify Approval of a One Day Entertainment License for Blake Boyer-Unique Sounds DJ-219 Hornbine Road

The BOS office received on October 5th a request for a One Day Entertainment License. The resident was not aware of the timeline needed and it was for a wedding being held on Saturday, October 9th. The Chairman of the Board approved the request, once all neighbors were notified (luckily, they were being invited!). The Board needs to ratify the vote.

J. Muri motion to Ratify the approval given by the Chairman for a One Day Entertainment License for a dance floor and amplifier to be used at 219 Hornbine Road on October 9th from 5pm-11pm. Second by M. Deignan. Vote 5-0.

Action Item (5): Vote to Approve Utility Installation License-MJD Excavating, Inc.

MJD Excavating is renewing their Utility Installation License for 2021-22. All proper fees and paperwork have been submitted and the Superintendent of Highway has given his approval.

D. Perry motion to approve the Utility Installation License for MJD Excavating, Inc. of 231 Plain Street, Rehoboth. Second by J. Muri. Vote 5-0.

Action Item (6): Vote to Approve Re-Appointments Election Workers

Town Clerk is requesting the Board reappoint all of the election workers. Some were appointed last year and some were considered holdovers due to the pandemic, therefore they have different dates.

Republican Election Workers, Precinct I:

Warden	Wendy Wolfe Cardarelli	76 Ash Street
Inspectors	Linda A. Coolidge	93 Homestead Avenue

Republican Election Workers, Precinct II:

Inspectors	Lorraine A. Botts	167 County Street
	Jane E. Daggett	164 Bay State Road
	Victoria Silvia	8 Taylor Drive

Republican Election Workers, Precinct III:

Clerk Kenneth R. Grant 11 Mason Street

Inspector Adrienne H. Sharp 11 Nancy Circle

J. Muri motion to reappoint the following individuals, as Election Workers, effective dates 11/01/2021-8/15/2022. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Democrat Election Workers, Precinct I:

Deputy Warden Raymond M. Olivier 182 Fairview Avenue

Inspector Mackenzie J. Morgenweck 237 Rocky Hill Road

Democrat Election Workers, Precinct II:

Warden Kathryne S. Sullivan 102 Danforth Street

Inspector Judy Downey 148 Rocky Hill Road

Lee Krasner 47 Carpenter Street

Democrat Election Workers, Precinct III:

Warden Beverly J. DeBlois 142 Plain Street

Inspector Nancy L. Swallow 82 Simmons Street

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Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: no report

Deignan: Contacted a Pharmaceutical business he works for to recycle iPads. Eighteen iPads were received to help the Council on Aging.

Perry: no report

Muri: The Public Safety Buildings PFAS samples were approved. However, 340 Anawan St. did not pass. The PSB well is being looked into.

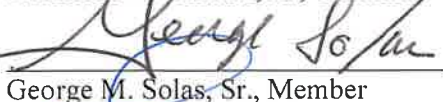
Solas: no report

ADJOURNMENT: Selectman J. Muri motion to adjourn the regular session at 8:15PM, and enter into executive session. Second by M. Deignan.

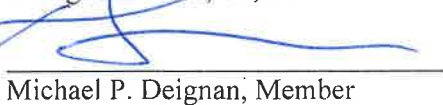
Roll call vote. Vadnais – aye, Perry – aye, Muri-aye, Solas – aye, Deignan – aye. (5-0)



Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman



George M. Solas, Sr., Member



Michael P. Deignan, Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Logan Shaker

Approved: 5/23/2022