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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022 MEETING MINUTES FRANCIS HALL BUILDING, FRANCIS FARM 27 FRANCIS FARM ROAD

<u>Present:</u> Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais, Selectman George Solas, Selectmen Michael Deignan, Selectman Leonard Mills Jr., Selectman Robert Johnson II and Town Administrator Deborah Arruda

Call to Order at.: 7:00 p.m. The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.0) Consent Agenda

Warrant for December 5, 2022:

G. Solas motion to approve the Warrant for the week of week December 5, 2022: 23-23B Payroll \$116,807.53; 23-23A Withholdings \$39,540.11; 23-22 Warrant \$219,671.52. Second by R. Johnson. Vote 4-0.

Minutes: None.

Announcements:

The next BOS meeting will be held on Monday, December 12, 2022, 7 p.m. at Francis Farm in the Francis Hall Building.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Please check out the Employment Opportunity page on the Town website for various job openings.

On December 19th, we have a public hearing scheduled for the continuation of Rehoboth Wine & Spirits 2022 Liquor License Renewal.

We would like to congratulate Derek Rousseau and Jennifer on the arrival of their son on 11/30/2022. Best wishes to both.

On December 12th, we will have a public hearing for Dean St. new pole location.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM:

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item (1): Review, Consider and Vote on Response to Open Meeting Law Complaint Against BOS dated 11/16/22; Filed by Patrick Higgins on File with the Town Clerk.

G. Solas- motion to approve Town Counsel's response to the OML complaint and authorize Town Counsel to submit. Second by R. Johnson. Vote 4-0.

Action Item (2): Update on Fire Department 3000 Gallon Tanker Pumper Truck and One Freightliner M2-106 Chassis

On 11/14 BOS voted to approve and sign for the purchase of a Pumper Tanker and Freightliner. Town Counsel did not approve the contract that was provided by the vendor. A new contract was sent to Chief Barresi to review and ask the vendor to sign. We are awaiting final signatures as of 12/1/22.

M. Deignan- motion to table pending further feedback from Chief Barresi. Second by R. Johnson. Vote 4-0.

Selectman Vadnais stepped out of the room momentarily at 7:14 pm. Selectman Deignan motion to recess BOS meeting until 7:30 p.m. Second by G. Solas. 5-0.

Action Item (3): 7:30 PM Public Hearing-Remand for Class II Auto License-Barry Bixby Automotive LLC dba European Motor Cars

Per the courts, we have been asked to hold a remand public hearing to review the application for Mr. Bixby once again and to hear any additional information Mr. Bixby and/or his attorney would like to share with us.

Present was Joe Carnavale on behalf of Barry Bixby, LLC and Barry Bixby.

- G. Solas-motion to open public meeting. Second by M. Deignan. Roll call Selectman Deignan, aye; Selectman Vadnais, aye; Selectman Solas, aye; Selectman Mills, aye; Selectman Johnson, aye. Vote 5-0.
- M. Deignan- motion to continue public hearing to January 9th, 2023. Second by R. Johnson. Roll call Selectman Deignan, aye; Selectman Vadnais, aye; Selectman Solas, aye; Selectman Mills, aye; Selectman Johnson, aye. Vote 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

Selectmen's Reports:

<u>Vadnais</u>: Cemetery issues- Rob Johnson is working on it and will report back.

Deignan: No report.

Solas: No report.

Johnson: 46 Almeida- all removal has been completed; working with Mass DEP on water issues.

Rec. Committee meeting this week at 7pm- please come with ideas for all residents; volunteer.

Mills: Town Hall addition complete for 2 offices.

Radon is being worked on.

Francis St paving- letter went out to all residents. Contractor had issues with curb cutting and will be back in Spring 2023 to re-do.

ADJOURNMENT:

Selectman M. Deignan motion to adjourn the regular session. At 7:38 PM. Second by Selectman G. Solas. Vote 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

Michael P. Deignan, Vice Chairman

George M. Solas, Sr., Clerk

Robert Johnson, yr, whember

Leonard Mills, Jr., Member

Approved: 1/3/2023