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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MONDAY, JULY 22, 2019 MEETING MINUTES GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

Present: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais; Selectman Gerry Schwall, Selectman Dave Perry, Selectman James Muri, Selectman Michael Costello, and Deborah Arruda, Assistant to the Town Administrator.

At **6:03 PM** it was voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to **MGL CHAPTER 30A**, **Section 21(a)** (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;

On a motion made by Selectman Perry, seconded by Selectman Muri, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session.

Roll Call Vote: Perry, aye; Muri, aye; Costello, aye; Schwall, aye, Vote 4-0 S. Vadnais arrived in Executive Session at 6:15 PM.

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

Warrants for July 2nd, 2019: G. Schwall read the weekly Warrants; Withholdings, \$120,983.26, Payroll, \$107,370.19; 19-44 Warrant, \$68,365.29. J. Muri motioned to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0

Minutes: Regular Minutes: March 4, 2019

- J. Muri motioned to approve the above-mentioned meeting minutes. Second D. Perry. Vote 5-0. Regular Minutes: March 11, 2019
- J. Muri motioned to table the above-mentioned meeting minutes. Second D. Perry. Vote 5-0. Executive Session Minutes: March 11, 2019

Above-mentioned meeting minutes were tabled until August 5, 2019 meeting.

Open Forum - Announcements:

The next Selectmen's meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 5 at the COA Building, 55 Bay State Road at 7:00PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item #1 Vote to Sign Grant Notification from Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency

M. Costello motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the grant approval on behalf of the Board. Second J. Muri. Vote 5-0.

Discussion:

The Board thanked Bill Majorano.

Action Item #2: Vote to Declare Surplus Equipment

J. Muri motioned to declare the equipment as submitted on the lists from the Rehoboth Fire Department and Rehoboth TV as surplus. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Action Item #3 Vote to Accept Resignation of Douglas C. Furtado from the Rehoboth Finance Committee

D. Perry motioned to accept Douglas Furtado's resignation from the Finance Committee and send a letter of appreciation recognizing the many contributions he made to the Committee and the Town during his service. M. Costello second. Vote 5-0.

Documents:

D. Furtado's resignation letter, read prior to motion being made

Action Item #4: Vote to Appoint Nichole Gardella to the Economic Development Council

J. Muri motioned to appoint Nichole Gardella to the Economic Development Council effective July 22, 2019 – June 30, 2020. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Discussion: M. Costello stated that he enjoyed our discussion. He knows that you will make a difference.

Action Item #5: Appoint Michael Fleming to the Rehoboth Finance Committee

S. Vadnais motioned to appoint Michael Fleming to the Rehoboth Finance Committee effective July 22, 2019 – June 30, 2022. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0.

Discussion:

- -G. Schwall stated when making decision they should always be in the best interest of the two. This is a great learning experience.
- -S. Vadnais your resume speaks for itself. You have kept track of what is going on in town.
- -D. Perry you stated "Keeping people first in town" that is the best statement made.
- -M. Costello you are very courteous and your resume was impressive.
- -J. Muri you have experience with accounting, business and budgets. I agree with the Boards feelings.
- -M. Fleming thank you for the opportunity, I have lived in town only three years. I wanted to get involved with the town and encourage others to do the same.

Action Item #5-A: Discussion: Intersection of Bay State Road and Moulton Street Public Safety Concern

D. Perry motioned to approve Phase I of work starting on the intersection. Second by J. Muri. Vote 4-0 M. Costello abstained.

Discussion: S. Vadnais the cannon, flags and sign for the American Legion will be relocated on to another property.

Action Item #6: Reappointments as Submitted

- D. Perry motioned to re-appoint Brian McKearny as the Animal Control Officer Assistant effective July 1, 2019 June 30, 2020. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0.
- D. Perry motioned to approve the following reappointments:

Catherine Allen to the Cultural Council effective February 22, 2019 - February 21, 2022.

Sandra Delany to the Cultural Council effective February 22, 2019 – February 21, 2022, Susan Robert to the Cultural Council effective January 19, 2019 – January 18, 2022.

Desire Palmer-Cardono to the Cultural Council effective December 29, 2018 - December 28, 2021.

Maureen Whitemore to the Cultural Council effective August 20, 2018 – August 21, 2021.

Molly Lewandowski effective November 22, 2016 – October 21, 2019. Second S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0.

- D. Perry motion to re-appoint Raymond Olivier to the Zoning Board of Appeals effective July 1, 2019 June 30, 2020. Second M. Costello. Vote 5-0.
- D. Perry motion to re-appoint Laura Schwall as Registrar effective July 1, 2019 June 30, 2020. Vote 4-0. G. Schwall abstained.

Action Item #7: Vote to Approve Use of Roadways

J. Muri motion to approve the use of Rehoboth Roadways as requested in support of the Susan G. Komen Impact Ride on September 28, 2019. Second by D. Perry. Vote 5-0

Action Item #8: Request for One Day Special License

D. Perry motion to approve a one-day Wine and Malt Beverage License to John Ferreira for use at 95 Cameron Way to benefit the Rehoboth Lions Club. Hours of sale are 4:00PM – 10:00PM. Transportation dates are July 26, 2019 and July 28, 2019. Second S. Vadnais. Vote 5-0.

OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC:

Tish Vadnais of the Agricultural Committee- Out houses were requested for the next few weeks. There will be heavy traffic the next two months. What board needs to approve and where to place them. I was thinking in between the garden and the playground. S. Vadnais ask the Board of Health Agent where to put them. He will tell you the best place for them. J. Muri copy Linna Sherman on that communication. The Agricultural Committee is also selling magnets for \$5.00 and \$1.00 goes towards the Ag.Com. Melissa

The Agricultural Committee is also selling magnets for \$5.00 and \$1.00 goes towards the Ag.Com. Melissa Treckler did the artwork, it is the same artwork that you see on the Keep Rehoboth Beautiful barrel around town. They are available at the farmer market and at Town Hall at the Town Clerk's office.

Steve Silva of 12 Blanding Road- The School Committee asked on May 13 about the budget, the town voted no. State funding may help. If the Board could get the School Committee to meet at the October Special Town Meeting it could save money for everyone. The name of the Tent Meeting reminds me of a circus, can we change it? G. Schwall I am unfamiliar with your information, we can't discuss it. The Board spoke to Mr. Azar months ago with a resolution and the School Committee refused it. The name of the Tent meeting per DESE terms should be a District Wide Meeting. J. Muri would like to have this resolved; the School Committee needs to initiate a meeting.

Lorraine Botts of County Street – Thanked Bill Maiorano for power washing the shed in the back of the COA and also for cutting back brush and weeds that were against it.

Sara LaCasse of 2 Fuller Street – Please find a way to resolve the school budget issue for the children. They should not go back to school without school activities. G. Schwall the Board of Selectmen of Rehoboth and Dighton have no say on the budget. The situation is not healthy for anyone. We need to take action here locally and the state needs to do their part.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: There was an issue between Mr. Pavao & Mr. O' Brien. The Zoning Enforcement Officer looked into the situation. The business in questions is operating correctly and they are located in a commercial zone.

Mr. Costello there is a sink hole behind the Anawan School is that getting fixed. M. Costello stated that it had been filled and he will monito the situation going forward.

Schwall: No report.

Perry: There was an issue with a cemetery, was not a town owned. The issue is being resolved and the stone will be placed next week.

Muri: Thanked the Highway Department for their quick changes to events on the electronic signage. There was an issue with the water here at the COA. It is okay, it tested negative. Karl Drown worked quickly and had the system flushed.

Costello: No report.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen D. Perry made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 7:56 PM., Second by Selectmen J. Muri. Perry – aye; Costello – aye; Muri – aye, and Schwall – aye, Vadnais – aye.

Gerald V. Schwall, Chairman

James Muri, Vice Chairman

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Da	vid A.	Perry,	Jr.	Clerk

Michael Costello, Member

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Arruda

Assistant to the Town Administrator

Approved 3/23/2020

Rehoboth Town Clerk 148 Peck Street Rehoboth, MA 02769



July 17, 2019

Ms. Schwall -

Given my family and I will be moving out of town to nearby Barrington, I hereby resign from my position on the Town of Rehoboth Finance Committee effective immediately. To resign and move from Rehoboth is certainly bittersweet; my family and I are heavy-hearted to leave the beautiful community in which we built our home and developed meaningful relationships, but excited and enthusiastic for the new chapter in our journey together. In closing, I sincerely thank everyone for the opportunity and experience, thoroughly appreciate having worked with you, the Selectmen, and Finance Committee members, and truly wish everyone the very best in future personal, professional, and public service endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

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CC:

Michael Deignan, Rehoboth Finance Committee Chairman

Town of Rehoboth Board of Selectmen – Gerry, Jim, Skip, Dave, and Mike