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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018
MEETING MINUTES
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER**

Present: Selectman Gerry Schwall, Selectman Dave Perry, Selectman Mike Costello, and Helen Dennen, Town Administrator.

Absent: Selectman Frederick "Skip" Vadnais and Selectman Jim Muri

At 6:45 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; 4. To discuss the deployment of security personnel or devices, or strategies with respect thereto.

Roll Call Vote: Schwall, aye; Costello, aye; Perry, aye. Vote 3-0

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 September 27, 2018: G. Schwall read the weekly Warrants; 19-13B Payroll, \$102,036.89; 19-12A Withholdings, \$27,957.46, 19-12 Warrant, \$54,853.00, 19-13R Refund Warrant, \$8,998.70. D. Perry motion to approve the Warrant as read. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0.

Minutes: Regular Minutes: 5/29/18, 9/17/18
Executive Session Minutes: 8/20/18

D. Perry motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from May 29, 2018. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0.

M. Costello motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2018. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0.

A motion to approve and hold the Executive Session Meeting Minutes for 8/20/18 was made in Executive Session.

Open Forum – Announcements:

The next Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday October 1, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center 55 Bay State Road.

The 375th Rehoboth Anniversary Parade will be held on Sunday October 7th starting at 12 noon. Parade is expected to be 2 ½ to 3 hours in duration, starting at 11:00 AM. Route 44 will be closed.

The third annual National Coffee with a Cop Day will be held on October 3, 2018, when officers from law enforcement agencies in all 50 States and five foreign countries will participate in Coffee with a Cop Day. Rehoboth Police Officers will participate on October 3rd by being at both Town's Dunkin Donuts from 7 AM to 11 AM. All citizens are welcome to stop by and visit with our Town's Police Officers.

2018 Firefighters Memorial will be held on October 14, 2018 at 10:30 AM at the South Fire Station with the public cordially welcome to attend - Reception to follow. Final product of Eagle Scout project is where memorial will be held.

Town Administrator's Report:

H. Dennen reported on the Municipal Workshop she went to that morning in Worcester on best practices under the Community Compact Agreement. She thought it was very informative.

Regarding Warrant there is one thing to delete.

OLD BUSSINESS:

Action Item (1): Hand-Me-Downs Request

Linda Margulas, a representative from Hand-Me-Downs was present to request to place clothing containers at various Town locations. She has already asked the Fire Chief, as suggested by Selectman Vadnais, and he was not in favor of placing them at the station. In lieu of that she asked the Board if they would consider having a second box here at the COA.

Discussion:

D. Perry voiced his concerns about a private business on public property, not opposed as long as we can legally do it, and not a burden on the Town.

Town Counsel has been contacted and said that a simple license agreement would be necessary.

One-year lease period, can call them at any time to come pick it up.

The Highway yard was suggested as a location.

G. Schwall suggested having Town Counsel write up a simple licensing agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Item (1): Assistant Treasurer Position

H. Dennen reviewed the interviewing process conducted by herself, Personnel Board representative Dave Scanlon, and Treasurer Cheryl Gouveia, of all six candidates for the position of Assistant Treasurer, and recommended the hire of the selected candidate.

M. Costello motion to ratify the hire of Katelyn Marchand for the position of Assistant Treasurer effective 10/9/2018 subject to successful pre-employment physical/drug screen. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0.

Discussion:

G. Schwall inquired if references were checked. H. Dennen reported that references were not checked.

M. Costello inquired if she needs to be bonded. H. Dennen confirmed that they would need to be bonded.

G. Schwall recommended that these things be done before they come before the Board in the future.

M. Costello motioned to rescind the previous motion and motioned to check the references and anything else that needs to be done. Seconded by D. Perry. M. Costello rescinded this motion.

M. Costello motion to ratify the hiring of Katelyn Marchand subject to successful background check by Town Administrator, bonding, preemployment physical and drug screening. Second by D. Perry.
Vote 3-0

Action Item (2): Election Workers Reappointment

D. Perry motion to approve the appointment of the following as **Republican Election Workers** for the 2018-2019 term. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0

PRECINCT	Position	Name
PRECINCT I	Warden	Wendy Wolfe Cardarelli
	Inspector	Edward J. Bliss
	Inspector	Cornelius "Neal" V. Harrington
	Inspector	Mary E. Moriarty
	Inspector	Donald W. Strong
	Inspector	Linda J. Strong
PRECINCT II	Deputy Clerk	Audrey A. Eckilson
	Inspector	Charlene M. Cunha
	Inspector	Jane B. Daggett
	Inspector	Caroline W. Knowles
	Inspector	Sally T. Knox
	Inspector	Lynore McKim
	Inspector	Desire G. Palmer-Cardono
PRECINCT III	Clerk	Kenneth Grant
	Inspector	Eleanor E. Horton
	Inspector	Adrianne H. Sharp

D. Perry motion to approve the appointment of the following as **Democrat Election Workers** for the 2018-2019 term. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0

PRECINCT	Position	Name
PRECINCT I	Warden	Raymond M. Olivier
	Inspector	Carolyn P. Panofsky
	Inspector	Richard J. Panofsky
	Inspector	Brenda E. Saben
PRECINCT II	Warden	Kathryne S. Sullivan
	Inspector	Lorraine P. Gobeille
PRECINCT III	Warden	Beverly J. DeBlois
	Deputy Clerk	Jacqueline E. Rebello
	Inspector	Nancy L. Swallow

D. Perry motion to approve the appointment of the following as **Unenrolled Election Workers** for the 2018-2019 term. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0

PRECINCT	Position	Name
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PRECINCT I	Clerk	Evelyn Viau
	Inspector	Lisa A. Milich
	Inspector	Mary Ann Parrella
	Inspector	Jeanette M. Prairie
PRECINCT II	Clerk	Maureen E. Whittemore
	Deputy Warden	Brenda L. Crandall
	Inspector	Elaine M. Amaral
	Inspector	Lucille M. Amaral
	Inspector	Diane M. Biello
	Inspector	John E. Biello
	Inspector	Andrew D. Carden
	Inspector	Charlotte H. Castro
	Inspector	Janice M. Grochmal
	Inspector	Stephen Silva, Sr.
PRECINCT III	Deputy Warden	Patricia A. Richmond
	Inspector	Rosemary Darowski
	Inspector	Anita C. Harrell
	Inspector	David L. House
	Inspector	Cynthia C. Lee
	Inspector	Dianne K. McCaffery
	Inspector	Susan C. Oliveira
	Inspector	Sandra Jean Phillips

Action Item (3): Town Events Committee Appointment

Tabled until Committee has a chance to review the candidate.

Action Item (4): Signatory Authority for BOS

M. Costello motion to authorize Town Administrator, Helen Dennen and Assistant to the Town Administrator, Deborah Arruda, (in Town Administrator's absence) pursuant to MGL Chapter 41, section 41 to sign bills, invoices and payroll vouchers related to the Board of Selectmen's Department for FY2019. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0.

Discussion:

G. Schwall questioned if it needed to be a particular title as the signatory authority, or if they could assign who they choose.

Action Item (5): DPW Renewable Energy Report

M. Costello has worked with David House on this project and commented on how knowledgeable Mr. House is on the subject of solar energy and all types of energy. M. Costello reviewed the report prepared by Mr. House. Mr. House has found that we need to service the solar arrays on a regular basis, as they are 7-8 years old, with a life expectancy of 20-30 years but the inverters only have a 10-year life expectancy. We have not had any service plan in the past. He recommends they be serviced, by Fall River Electric as stated in report. Net savings of \$55,000 at Highway Building. Asks Board to appoint a point person to make sure two solar arrays are checked on a regular basis to maintain.

Discussion:

G. Schwall suggested getting Green Energy Committee involved to help monitor.

H. Dennen spoke of how the bill is confusing as it does not show the credits. A bill is not generated if it is a negative amount, as it is for 9 months out of the year.
If there is a report that they are not working, H. Dennen contacts M. Costello who checks on it with the technician.

D. Perry motion to accept the report submitted by David House. Second by M. Costello. Vote 3-0.

M. Costello motion to send report over to the Green Energy Committee to look at and become involved with. D. Perry.

Discussion:

The Board expressed their appreciation to Mr. House and discussed the need to make his resignation an action item, once it is official.

Action Item (6):10/29/18 STM

The Board reviewed the draft of the Warrant as prepared for the 10/29/18 Special Town Meeting.

- The cost of the Election has been included in Article 1, supplemental appropriation. In regards to the cost of having a special election, the School override election held on July 17 cost the Town \$9541.22 to put on. It was not included in the budget.
- Collector overtime wages will be taken out, handle with a reserve transfer instead.
- Buy-out of Lt Brady.
- Remove placeholder at the end regarding zoning bylaw, has already done in the past.
- Need the Free Cash number from Accountant.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Ron Whittemore, of Pond Street, asked about the prevailing wage issue in the COA roof repairs.

H. Dennen said Town Counsel said we need to follow prevailing wage. Has called one roofing company and said he was going to send someone out but they have not contacted her yet.

G. Schwall reported that tomorrow night the Board would be meeting with the school committee and encouraged interested citizens to attend. Tomorrow night at 6:30 at the High School.

SELECTMEN REPORTS

Muri: absent

Vadnais: absent

Costello:

- Parade is coming up, road closure signage will be going up, detours, parking, there will be shuttles, back and forth to parking areas (Redway Plain, Cedarbrook School, Palmer River School.)
- There will be food trucks with concessions, port-a-potties at several locations.
- No parking allowed at bank, only emergency personnel, and absolutely no parking on Rt44.

Perry:

Regarding the School Committee Meeting tomorrow night, he encouraged everyone to self-educate of the causes of the tax rate and how things are run, it will be time well spent.

Schwall:

-Attended one of the 375th events this weekend, which was a free event. It was a timeline by Minute Men, encompassing the history of King Phillip's War up to present day. Very informative, good time.

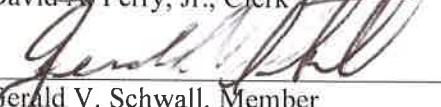
-Speed bumps will be installed at Town hall. Signs are up now.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen D. Perry made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:10 PM, Second by Selectmen M. Costello. Perry – aye; Costello – aye, and Schwall - aye

absent _____
Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

absent _____
James Muri, Vice Chairman


David A. Perry, Jr., Clerk


Gerald V. Schwall, Member


Michael Costello, Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy McDonough
Assistant to the Town Administrator

Approved: 12/21/2020