

**May 2, 2016**  
**Board of Selectmen Regular Minutes**  
**Town Offices**  
**Selectmen's Meeting Room**  
**148 Peck Street**

Present: Selectman Pimental, Selectman Schwall, Chairman Vadnais, Selectman Perry  
Helen Dennen, Rep Steve Howitt, Jon Bonsall (Algonquin Gas), Alys Vincent

**1.) Call to Order: 7:05 PM**

Chairman Vadnais called the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Business for Discussion:**

**WARRANTS:** 16-43 Withholdings \$28,697.42; 16-44B Invoices \$38,800.13; 16-44B Payroll \$80,808.90

**MINUTES:** None

**Announcements:**

Representative Steve Howitt along with Jon Bonsall, attorney on behalf of Algonquin Gas, came before the Board to provide information regarding the proposed compressor station to be constructed in Rehoboth. Chairman Vadnais asked if Rep Howitt would attend a group discussion organized by a group of constituents who have booked the D-R Regional High School auditorium for a public organizational meeting for May 17th. Rep Howitt advised that he would like to clear up a few things and address how it affects the community. Rep Howitt advised that FREC is the permitting authority and that state and local regulations do not apply to the project. Further advising that Article 97 would not apply since the project is on private land and not Town owned land.

Rep Howitt provided updates on the following:

- Several concerns have been raised about taking of land at the intersection of Rte. 44 & 118 – currently there is no proposed design or concept for this intersection at this time. Rep Howitt has provided this info update from MassDOT
- Repair of culvert on Wheeler Street – the river is currently being diverted through a water diversion chamber. The Contractor has completed the footing excavation and installation of the micro piles. The Contractor will continue de-watering operations and begin forming in preparation for the placement of concrete footings which is scheduled to take place in the month of May; weather permitting. The project is currently at 28% complete with a scheduled completion date of 4/10/2017.

Compressor Station discussion continued....Jon Bonsall stated the Energy Facilities Siting Board will be holding a series public comment hearings regarding the proposed Access Northeast project. Hearings will be held at following locations:

Monday, May 2, 2016, 7:00 pm Grafton High School Auditorium Grafton, MA 01519	Thursday, May 12, 2016, 7:00 pm Ford Middle School Auditorium Acushnet, MA 02743
Monday, May 9, 2016, 7:00 pm Walpole High School Auditorium Walpole, MA 02081	Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 7:00 pm Abigail Adams Middle School Auditorium Weymouth, MA 02189

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Next regular Selectmen's meeting will be Monday, May 9, 2016 at the DR High School in Room 211 at 6:15 PM.

Chairman Vadnais advised the Board has been invited to attend the May 4<sup>th</sup> Dighton Board of Selectmen's meeting. Chairman Vadnais stated he would attend on behalf of the Board; Selectman Schwall advised he could not attend.

**Town Administrator's Report:**

- Helen apologizes to citizens trying to call Town Offices. Phones have been down and you may get disconnected. We are working on it.
- Bob Ashton was contacted by a resident for use of Nike Park to create a croquet court and use of water for new grass seed approximately 2 weeks. Parks Commission gave permission for court. On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to approve Town Offices water spigot during office hours for a few weeks All Vote 4-0
- Work on Palmer River Bridge over 195 has begun yesterday and will continue for 1 week in only in the evenings.

**NEW BUSINESS: Action Item (1): Skate Park Equipment**

Aidan Foster and Jonathan Lacaille came before the Board of Selectmen asking if they could have the skate park ramps located behind the Animal Shelter at the Town Offices. They would like to move them to their residence and refurbish them for their personal use. Cathy Edington had been contacted by Aidan's dad and it was determined that the Town has ownership of the equipment.

Chairman Vadnais advised that the Town has limited ways of disposition. Since they are of no value to the Town, Town Counsel is to be asked if they we can give them away as a donation or for \$1.00 consideration. Draft contract (in father's name) with provision absolving the Town of any liability.

The Board thanked the boys for their nice letter and coming before them.

**Action Item (2): Perryville Road Pole Location Hearing Tabled Last Week**

The Board was informed that Verizon NE and Mass Electric wish to withdraw their petition for installation of one pole on Perryville Road.

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Schwall it was vote to close the hearing. Roll call vote: Schwall aye; Pimental aye; Perry aye; Vadnais aye.

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Schwall it was vote to TABLE the request. Vote: 4-0

**Action Item (3): Hawker & Peddlers License**

We have received a request from Joshua Pouliot, representative of Vivint Solar for a Hawker & Peddler's License for going door to door in Rehoboth. Mr. Pouliot has been already working in Rehoboth unaware that he needed the license. All paperwork is in order. He will be wearing a badge and work shirt.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve application for a Hawker & Peddlers License effective 5/2/16 thru 12/31/16.

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**Action Item (4): 5/9/16 Town Meeting**

Discussion with Moderator Bill Cute and Town Clerk Laura Schwall regarding the upcoming 5/9/16 Special and Annual Town Meetings starting at 7PM. Annual Town Meeting may begin by 7:30PM after a five minute recess.

Bill Cute read and gave a description of warrant articles and how meetings will go. He also advised residents to go through warrant prior to coming into meeting.

**Action Item (5): Narragansett Fall Half Marathon**

Jason Paganelli of Endurance Fitness Systems came before the Board to request permission from the BOS to access town roadways for a road race for the Narragansett Fall Half Marathon scheduled for 10/16/16 noting the request was identical to last year's road race.

Both the Police Chief and Fire Chief have approved this request. The Board was made aware that Chief Trombetta has requested the detail officers needed for the event be increase from 11 to 12. Event will start at 7:30 AM and course will be closed by 11:00 AM.

On a motion made by Selectmen Pimental, seconded by Selectman Perry, it was voted to approve the request subject to final recommendations of the Police Chief and Fire Chief. Vote: 4-0

**Action Item (4A): STM Capital Article**

Discussion regarding the following capital article on the 5/9/16 STM Warrant with regard to Item #3 of Article 3 "Purchase & equip two Police vehicles:

Item #	Description	Amount	Department(s)
1	Replacement of 15 Air cylinders & related equipment for Fire Department	16,500.00	Fire
2	Fully equipped replacement SUV Ford Explorer Vehicle for Fire Chief	35,000.00	Fire
3	<b>Purchase &amp; equip two Police vehicles</b>	<b>69,400.00</b>	<b>Police</b>
4	New overhead door for Highway Garage	2,800.00	Highway
5	Replacement Boiler & Related Installation Costs/Equipment for the Senior Center	45,000.00	Selectmen
6	Self-contained Diesel Generator & installation for Senior Center	\$52,000.00	Selectmen
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$220,700.00</b>	

Car 16 & 18 out of service, not front line vehicles also car #11 deemed to be replaceable. Discussion on which vehicles to replace. Chief's vehicle has 81,000 miles on it. Board of Health was mentioned as needing a new vehicle. S. Vadnais stated we need to find a solution for replacing Bob Ashton's vehicle.

On a motion made by G. Schwall to vote to reduce purchase from two to one vehicle, Second by **none**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to support the recommendations of the Finance Committee for \$69,400.00 in Article 3 Item #3 All Vote 2-1 (S. Vadnais abstained)

We will be discussing the police department in depth further in the near future.

**Action Item (6): Highway Department**

Discussion regarding the organization and capital needs of the Highway Department.

On the Annual Town Warrant we have a position open for a permanent Highway Superintendent. There will be future discussions regarding expectations and basic guidelines for this position.

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**Action Item (5): Greenlock Therapeutic Riding Center 5K Race**

The Board received request from Greenlock Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc. to hold a 5K Road Race on Sunday, 10/16/16 starting a 10:00 AM.

It was noted that Chief Trombetta and Chief Barresi have approved this request with the condition that they have two detail officers for the event.

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Perry it was voted to approve the request, subject to final approval by the Police Chief and Fire Chief. Vote: 4-0

**Action Item (6): Budget Amendment**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve the following budget amendments request below:

Account Name	Depart	Increase	Decrease
014203-54500	Highway Custodial Supplies	\$300.00	
014203-57320	Highway One Day conference		\$300.00
012203-55801	Fire Turn Out Gear	\$323.17	
012203-57120	Fire Travel		\$323.17
011203-52420	Fire Equipment RM	\$593.03	
011203-55802	Fire Hose & Pump RM		\$593.03
012103-57140	Police Expense Registrations	\$75.00	
012103-52420	Police Equipment R & M		\$75.00

All Vote 4-0

**Action Item (8): Purchase & Sales Agreements**

Vote to approve and sign Purchase & Sales documents for the sale of the following properties:

Off Plain Street - Map 16, Lot M48 - for \$440.00 purchased by William J. Carmichael Off Hornbine Road - Map 17 Lot M63 - for \$550.00 purchased by E. Otis Dyer, Jr.

Off Hornbine Road Map 17 Lot M62- for \$550.00 purchased by E. Otis Dyer, Jr.

Treasurer will be signing as custodian-Item TABLED

**Action Item (9): SRPEDD Appointments**

Michael Costello is currently the SRPEDD Commission Board of Selectmen Rep and the JTPG Delegate for the Board of Selectmen and the Alternate JTPG is Susan Pimental.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to appoint S. Vadnais as the Board of Selectmen Rep for the SRPEDD Commission and the JTPG Delegate on behalf of the Town of Rehoboth effective 5/27/16 thru 5/24/17. All Vote 3-0 (S. Vadnais abstained)

On a motion made by S. Vadnais Second by D. Perry it was voted to appoint S. Pimental as the JTPG Alternate on behalf of the Town of Rehoboth effective 5/27/16 thru 5/24/17. All Vote 3-0 (S. Pimental abstained)

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**Action Item (10): Chapter 90 Project Requests**

Chapter 90 reimbursement is \$480,334.87. There will be a lot of roads being repaired and repaved. Selectmen Perry read list of streets.

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by S. Pimental it was voted to approve Chapter 90 Project Requests for \$480,334.87. All Vote 4-0

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve Chapter 90 Project Requests for \$54,782.40 for 9000 feet of striping, subject to approval of plan. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item (11): BOS Annual Report**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to accept Board of Selectmen Annual Report All Vote 4-0

**Action Item (12): Appointment of Fence Viewer**

The Town Clerk has brought to my attention that John Santos was never appointed to the position of Fence Viewer as previous Building Inspectors/Zoning Officers have been.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to appoint John Santos as Fence Viewer effective 5/2/16 thru 6/30/16. All Vote 4-0

**Action Item (13): Conservation Restriction**

Vote to approve and sign Conservation Restriction to Wildlands Trust, Inc. for the Munroe Farm Conservation Restriction, Rehoboth identified as follows:

<b>Grantor:</b>	<b>Sharon A. Munroe</b>
<b>Grantee:</b>	<b>Wildlands Trust, Inc.</b>
<b>Address of Property:</b>	<b>Portions of Lot 1 and Lot 2, but excluding two unrestricted building envelopes, "Wood Yard" Area, and parcel shown as Assessors Map 51, Lot 4, 200 and 201 Fairview Avenue, Rehoboth, MA 02769</b>
<b>Title Reference:</b>	<b>Book 2155, Page 42, and Land Court Department CA No. 263286, Book 3317, Page 64, Book 7066, Page 98, and Book 7970, Page 288, in the Bristol County Registry of Deed Northern District</b>

Item TABLED- Town Counsel made changes and now the Munroe's need to review

**Action Item (12): Tolling Agreement**

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to accept Tolling Agreement as written. All Vote 4-0

**OPEN FORUM:**

Alys Vincent spoke about her concerns regarding the gas pipeline. She had complaints about how they are surveying the resident's properties. She also offered her car to give rides to the upcoming meetings scheduled in regards to the pipeline. Alys asked if she could pass out information outside Town Meeting to inform residents. She is concerned about old gas lines and adding pressure to them with the compressor station resulting in an explosion (she mentioned explosion in PA. that happened two days ago). There is a meeting, regarding concerns about the new compressor station, at DRRHS on May 17, 2016 at 7PM all

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residents and the Board of Selectmen are invited. She has also sent invites to Congressman Kennedy and Representative Haddad with no response. On a motion made by S. Vadnais Second by S. Pimental it was voted to send a letter requesting that Congressman Kennedy and Representative Haddad attend the May 17, 2016 meeting to provide congressional intervention and listen to the concerns of the citizens. S. Vadnais and S. Pimental will be attending the meeting.

**Department Head Reports:**

**5/2/16 Selectmen's Reports:**

Vadnais: none

Schwall: Senior Citizens Tax Credit Program: I spoke with the assessor's office and we are making progress. The COA is taking on responsibility for administering the program. We should be ready to begin this program starting the new fiscal year.

- I want to apologize for the quality of the broadcast last week.
- We will be having someone come before the Board in two weeks for the Town Accountant position.

Pimental: none

Perry: We traced the leak in the COA and it is a J Channel functioning properly, so no leak.

**Adjournment:** on a motion made by Selectman Schwall, seconded by Selectman Pimental it was voted to adjourn the 5/2/16 Board of Selectmen's meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Helen Dennen, Interim Town Administrator  
Kelly J. Hathaway, Interim Assistant Town Administrator

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Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

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Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman

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Susan M. Pimental, Clerk

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David A. Perry, Jr., Member

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Approved 7/5/16