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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019  
MEETING MINUTES  
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER**

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

Selectman Michael Costello was absent.

At **5:00 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:** Vadnais, aye; Perry, aye; Muri, aye; Schwall, aye, Vote 4-0

**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 May 9th, 2019:** G. Schwall read the weekly Warrants; 19-44A Withholdings, \$27,370.47, 19-45B Payroll, \$103,483.08; 19-44 Warrant, \$29,594.87. J. Muri motioned to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second by D. Perry. Vote 4-0

**Minutes:** Regular Minutes: none.  
Executive Session Minutes: none.

**Open Forum – Announcements:**

This year's Financial Summit occurred on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and included a review of the FY2020 Budget and Warrant Articles. The Summit is available for on-demand playback at Rehoboth.org website.

Town Meeting will be held on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School. Special Town Meeting will start at 7:00 PM with the Annual Town Meeting to follow.

An abbreviated Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM prior to start of Town Meeting at the High School.

On May 11<sup>th</sup> there will be a plant sale at Rehoboth Garden Club at 124 Bay State Road.

Jake Kramer announced that there will be a Golf Tournament on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Need teams of 4 member teams

May 27<sup>th</sup>-Memorial Day Parade staged at 10:30 AM

County Street closed at 9 AM, use Lincoln School for Parking and there will be a commencement for the Honorary Lt. Col. Bill Sanders.

June 4<sup>th</sup>-Taste of Rehoboth will be held

\$20 per ticket before 5/24, after tickets will be \$25

C. Panofsky – 291 Fairview Ave -Green Energy

Board of Selectmen approved a grant a few years back, to move forward a new signature will be needed. The deadline is May 8<sup>th</sup>.

J. Muri motion to approve Selectman Schwall to sign DOER Grant between Town and Green Energy. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0

Jim Muri announced that the Boy Scouts will collect nonperishable food items on 5/13 for the food pantry.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Action Item #1 Discussion with Kenneth and Linda Ryan from the Palmer River Time Bank Organization**

S. Vadnais motion to endorse the Palmer River Time Bank Organization. Second by J. Muri. Vote 4-0

J. Muri motioned Gerry Schwall to contract Town Counsel for COA. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0

#### **Discussion:**

The Palmer River Time Bank Organization is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit Trust and is a branch of Time Bank USA. The concept is simple, for every hour of service you donate to someone in the community, you receive a credit for one hour of service that you can redeem from another member.

[www.RiverTimeBank.USA](http://www.RiverTimeBank.USA)

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#### **Action Item #2: Interview Committee Report: Director of IT & Media**

D. Perry motion to hire Derek Rousseau as the Director of IT & Media contingent upon the result of successful negotiation of an Employment Contract. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 3-0 G. Schwall recused himself.

#### **Discussion:**

25 applicants/3 interviews

#### **Action Item #3 Discussion with Dean Harrison from Women's Development Group re: Anawan School Project**

#### **Discussion:**

Mr. Harrison was present to discuss work on the Anawan School; they have had well problems. Have found an easement and it is in the works, and will be less money.

J. Muri please send an email with follow up of drilling process. Parking spaces need to be a priority.

D. Perry addressed the sprinkler system. Mr. Harrison stated that they may use the well for that.

CPC money has been allocated accordingly

Next step will be to submit financial report to the state in late 2019, early 2020.

G. Schwall asked that Mr. Harrison schedule a meeting with the Water Commission and BOH after the drilling is done.

**Action Item #4: Discussion with Agricultural Commission: Farmers' Market Rules and Regulations**

J. Muri motion to accept the amended Farmers' Market Rules and Regulations as submitted by the Agricultural Commission. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0. S. Vadnais recused himself.

J. Muri motioned to create the position of Market Manager, Rehoboth Farmers' Market, per the job responsibilities as outlined in the Rehoboth Farmers' Market Rules and Regulations. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0. S. Vadnais recused himself.

J. Muri motioned to appoint Dawn DuFault as an Alternate Member of the Rehoboth Agricultural Commission with responsibilities as Market Manager for the Rehoboth Farmers' Market effective May 6, 2019 – June 30, 2019. Second by D. Perry. Vote 3-0. S. Vadnais recused himself.

**Action Item #5: One Day Entertainment License**

D. Perry motion to approve a One Day Entertainment License for the Lincoln School for a fundraiser to be held on May 11<sup>th</sup> 2019 from 5:30 PM - 11:30PM at 160 Danforth Street, Rehoboth, MA (aka Murray Family Athletic Complex/ Faxon Farm.) Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0.

**Action Item #6: Request for a Special One Day Liquor License**

D. Perry motion to approve a Special One Day Liquor License for the Courtney Ortiz/ The East End, LLC for a fundraiser to be held on May 11, 2019 from 6:00PM – 11:00 PM at 160 Danforth Street, Rehoboth, MA (aka Murray Family Athletic Complex/ Faxon Farm). Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0.

**Action Item #7: Appointments as Submitted: Keep Rehoboth Beautiful**

D. Perry motion to appoint Lorelei M. Kellum to Keep Rehoboth Beautiful Committee effective 5/6/19 – 12/31/19. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0

J. Muri motion to table, need to get something in writing from parents approving Lorelei to volunteer, since she is a minor. Second by D. Perry. Vote 4-0

**Action Item #8: Approval of COA Volunteer: George Solas**

J. Muri motion to approve George Solas as a volunteer at the Council on Aging effective 5/6/2019. Second by S. Vadnais. Vote 4-0

**Selectmen's Reports:**

**Vadnais: no report**

**Schwall:**

1. Purchase and sales signed for 48 Danforth Street 5/7

2. Town Meeting – Go and vote and be educated.
3. Question has been asked “Why is Gerry Schwall driving Crown Vic?” The Crown Vic is being used for official town business.

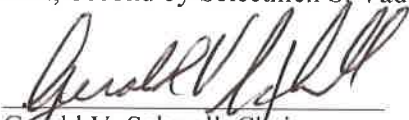
**Perry:**

1. Trees planted at Council on Aging  
National Grid’s policy is when trees are removed in town, they will replace them where a tree is needed in town.
2. Vacuum truck – Leased one truck for \$17k for 30 days, may do the again.


**Muri: no report**

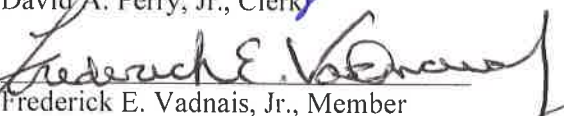
**Costello: absent**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Selectmen D. Perry made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 8:32 PM., Second by Selectmen S. Vadnais. Perry – aye; Muri – aye, and Schwall – aye, Vadnais – aye.

  
Gerald V. Schwall, Chairman

  
James Muri, Vice Chairman

  
David A. Perry, Jr., Clerk

  
Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Member

  
Michael Costello, Member

  
Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Arruda

Assistant to the Town Administrator

**Approved: 2/24/2020**