

**Town of Rehoboth-Rehoboth Board of Selectmen-Minutes of Regular Session Meeting on July 6, 2015 at Gladys L. Hurrell Rehoboth Senior Center**

Present: Chairman Costello, Selectman Perry, Selectman Pimental, Selectman Schwall, Selectman Vadnais, Michael McBride, Ron & Maureen Whittemore, Helen Dennen and others.

**1.) Call to Order: 7:03 PM**

**Chairman Costello called the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:03 p.m.**

**Business for Discussion:**

**WARRANTS:** 15-52A Withholdings \$28,257.86; 15-53 Invoices \$47,600.74; 16-01 Invoices \$736,479.08; 15-53R Refunds \$2,373.52; 15-53B Payroll \$48,741.17; 16-01B Payroll \$46,105.98

**MINUTES:** S. Pimental made a motion to approve for discussion minutes for March 3, 2014. S. Pimental requested first line of page 3 be amended by: removing "there are" and replacing with "there may be" efficiencies....., motion seconded by D. Perry, voted to approve as amended and release Voted: 4-0 G. Schwall abstained.

G. Schwall made a motion to approve, second by D. Perry minutes for and release the Meeting Minutes for June 24, 2015 and release. Voted 4-0 S. Pimental abstained.

Executive Session Minutes for 6/24/15 to be held for future approval.

**Announcements:** Chairman Costello read invitation to a Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony for Elizabeth Oakley of Rehoboth Troop 507 on Thursday, August 6, 2015 at 7 pm at the Carpenter Museum. G. Schwall acknowledged that he would attend. A certificate from the Selectmen will be prepared for presentation at ceremony.

No Town Administrator's Report presented.

S. Pimental requested that the next regular BOS meeting be held next week on July 13, 2015 and skip the week of July 20, 2015; the Board was in agreement.

**Action Item (1) Appointment of James J. Trombetta as Police Chief**

Chairman Costello stated that the Board had previously announced Acting Chief Trombetta would be appointed Police Chief effective 7/1/15 however an actual appointment was never voted.

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Schwall it was voted to officially appoint James J. Trombetta as Police Chief effective 7/1/15 thru 6/30/18. Vote 5-0

Chief Trombetta was congratulated by Board and those in attendance. Police Department Sergeants and officers were in attendance to show support for Chief Trombetta. Town Clerk Laura Schwall swore the Chief into office.

**Action Item (2): Resignation of Jeff Ritter**

The Board on a motion by s. Pimental seconded by S. Vadnais voted to accept the resignation of Jeffrey Ritter as Town Administrator effective 7/5/15. Vote: 5-0

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### **Action Item (3): Appointment of Interim Town Administrator**

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Vadnais, it was voted to appoint Helen Dennen as Interim Town Administrator effective 7/6/16 thru 9/6/16 for a six month period. Vote: 5-0

G. Schwall made a motion to also appoint Helen Dennen to the Chapter 32B Insurance Advisory Board, Local Emergency Planning Board and as SMHG Rep Alternate. Vote: 5-0

Helen Dennen will look into the appointment as Chief Procurement Officer and check with Town Counsel.

### **Action Item (4): Highway Materials Bids Award**

The Board reviewed the recommendations of the Acting Highway Superintendent, Mike Tyler and awarded the bids as recommended by Mike on a motion made by S. Pimental, seconded by D. Perry, for discussion, with the exception of Type I Bituminous Concrete to Lynch & Sons and Excavator Rental and Main & Sons Excavating. Vote 5-0

Board questioned if prices for Bituminous Concrete “at plant” and “delivered” had not been switched; prices will be checked. Chairman Costello wished further discussion regarding excavator rental because equipment to be used per each bid may not be comparable; he will look into further with Mike Tyler. Copy of the bids awarded are attached to these minutes.



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### **Action Item (5): Senior Citizens Club Donation of Storage Shed**

On a motion made by Selectman Pimental, seconded by Selectman Schwall it was voted to accept the donation of a storage shed to be built by Old colony Habitat for Humanity at the Gladys L. Hurrell Senior Center with money raised by the Rehoboth Senior Citizen’s Club. Vote 5-0

Selectman Schwall read the letter submitted by Lorraine Botts, President of the Rehoboth Senior Citizens club and personally thanked both the Senior Citizens Club and Old colony Habitat for Humanity.



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### **Action Item (6): Landfill Owner’s Project Manager**

Vote to award bid for services to Marc Zawatsky to serve as Owner’s Project Manager for the Landfill solar PV installation project on behalf of the Town. Gerry Schwall explained that he attended last weeks meeting with Blue Wave and was very impressed with Marc’s vigorous attempts to make sure our interests were protected. Chairman Costello asked Marc if he had any affiliation with Blue Wave at all and he stated that he did not. S. Vadnais was impressed with Marc’s credentials and his aggressiveness to stay on track with the schedule. S. Pimental makes a motion to award the bid for services to Marc Zawatsky to serve as the Owner’s Project Manager for the Landfill Solar Project on behalf of the Town of Rehoboth. 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Schwall Vote 5-0

In addition: G. Schwall reads an email stating that Blue Wave will pay for Marc's invoices for service after the town approves them and will either pay the town or Marc Zawatsky directly all Board Members agreed to have checks come from Town of Rehoboth.

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#### **Action Item (7): East Coast Radio**

Discussion with Monty Dawson of East Coast Electronics, Fire Chief and Police Chief regarding tower and communications equipment for Police/Fire.

Monty Dawson was not present.

G. Schwall stated that many months ago the town approved a large article that would improve radio systems to make sure the first responders were safe and the public was safe, it is a 400 system. We went as far as bringing in an outside consultant telling us what needed to be done. What was supposed to be done is not being done. G. Schwall spoke with Monty and he told him to make sure things got done. The radios are still not working and he came out once last week, removed some antennas that had nothing to do with anything and is now not present at meeting.

J. Trombetta said that they have not completed the work that they were paid to do and that is the problem.

J. Trombetta has asked Monty when will the project be completed and he did not have an answer. We have new equipment in boxes and are using 25year old stuff. Chief Barisi has been the contact person.

G. Schwall suggests that Town Counsel write a letter referring to specific job description he has failed to do and needs to be done. There is an urgency to fix this because if a first responder cannot get through to someone, someone's life can be at risk. S. Vadnais motions to have Town Counsel send a letter stating East Coast Radio and Monty Dawson must act in support and compliance with the contract as stated and execute all jobs until completed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Pimental Vote 5-0

#### **Action Item (8): Fire Truck Tanker 3 Tank**

Vote to award bid for purchase and installation of one aluminum 3,600 gallon water tank to be installed on Fire Truck Tanker 3, including removal and disposal of existing tank per bid from Bay State Truck and Trailer, Inc. per bid of \$42,230.00. This was the only bid received.

S. Pimental motions to award bid to Bay State Truck and Trailer, Inc. 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Schwall Vote 5-0

#### **Action Item (9): Air Quality Testing**

Vote to award Occupational Health & Safety Environmental Consultants (OHI) bid to conduct two indoor air quality assessments at the Town Offices, 148 Peck Street and Fire Department (administration section only) per their bid of \$950.00 per building or \$1900.00 for both buildings plus project related mileage.

S. Pimental makes a motion to award bid for Occupational Health & Safety Environmental Consultants to conduct two indoor air quality assessments on both buildings and authorize Chairman Costello to sign contract 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Perry Vote 5-0

Bob Ashton will oversee all testing and results.

#### **Action Item (10): John P. Taylor Resignation**

Vote to accept resignation of John P. Taylor as the Veterans Agent/Graves Officer for the Town of Rehoboth to be effective no later than 7/31/15.

S. Pimental makes a motion to accept John P. Taylor's resignation 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Vadnais Vote 5-0  
D. Perry working on new applicants with Helen Dennen.

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##### **Action Item (11): Local Access**

Derek Rousseau has requested the Board authorize Brandon Hoderney's rate of pay be increased from \$14.00 per hour to \$19.00 per hour and to designate his position as a Senior Camera Operator as opposed to his current position name of Camera Operator.

S. Vadnais removed himself from discussion due to conflict of interest.

S. Pimental asked if with the pay increase comes more responsibility; Derek responded by saying yes he will be doing scheduling and the scroll. He is also capped at 19 hours per week and the hours vary; one week he may have 6 then 10 then maybe no hours.

S. Pimental made a motion to accept the pay increase to \$19.00 for Brandon Hoderney and also his title from Camera Operator to Senior Camera Operator. 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Perry Vote 4-0

##### **Action Item (12): Budget Amendments**

See attached listing

Motion made by S. Pimental to accept Regular budget amendments 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Vadnais Vote 5-0

Motion made by S. Pimental to accept Special Year end budget amendments which also needs to go to the Finance Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Perry Vote 5-0



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##### **Action Item (13): Reserve Fund Transfers**

Vote to approve Request for Transfer from the Reserve Fund as follows.

Line #	Department	Balance in Account	Transfer amount
012202-51140	Fire wages part time	\$4,154.57	\$4,154.57
012052-51120	Police wages full time		\$18,000.00
012052-51120	Police wages full time		\$1,734.00

M. Deignan says there are ample funds to cover these transfers.

S. Pimental made a motion to approve reserve fund transfers 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Perry Vote 5-0

##### **Action Item (14): One Day Liquor License**

Vote to approve application for One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License from John Ferreira, Anawan Lions Club for 7/18/15 from 5 pm to 10 pm to be used at 95 Cameron Way for an Anawan Lions Event.

Liquor transportation dates are 7/17/15 and 7/19/15

S. Pimental made a motion to approve One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for John Ferreira, Anawan Lions Club for 7/18/15 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Perry Vote 4-0

G. Schwall abstained due to conflict of interest, his wife is a member of the Lions Club.

**Action Item (15): Warrant for Unlicensed Dogs**

The Town Clerk has provided a listing of unlicensed dogs as of 7/2/15 for the Board's issuance of a Warrant to Jane Foster, Animal Control Officer, to seek out, catch and confine all dogs within Town of Rehoboth not duly licensed pursuant to Mass General Law Chapter 140, Section 151A.

S. Vadnais made a motion to authorize Chairman Costello to sign Warrant for unlicensed dogs giving Jane Foster the right to seek out, catch and confine unlicensed dogs 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Pimental  
Vote 5-0

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**Action Item (16): Reappointments**

See Attached List:

Jerry Cadorette's reappointment was tabled for additional clarification.

S. Pimental made a motion to approve all reappointments and appointments 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Vadnais  
Vote 5-0



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**Open Public Forum:** None

**Selectmen's Reports:**

**Costello:**

**Vadnais:** Add Bristol Aggie School to my responsibility.

**Schwall:** End of year bills, I will be meeting with Cathy Doane to go over some issues with her.

**Pimental:**

**Perry:** Working on Veteran's Agent applications with Helen

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by S. Pimental to adjourn meeting at 8:00PM 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Schwall Vote 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Helen Dennen  
Kelly J. Hathaway

Approved by BOS on: 3/7/16