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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MONDAY, August 7, 2017
MEETING MINUTES
GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER

Present: Frederick "Skip" Vadnais, Chairman; Gerald Schwall, Vice Chairman; Susan Pimental, Clerk; Dave Perry, Member; James Muri, Member

Also present: Helen Dennen

1.0) Executive Session: At 6:00 p.m. S. Pimental made a motion to enter into Executive Session, 2nd by D. Perry, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 30A, and Section 21; (2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; (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; (6) To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body *

Topics of Discussion: Personnel Issues; Wheeler Street Property; Dispatchers Contract Negotiations; Police Patrolman & SOA Contract Negotiations*

Call to Order at 7:10 p.m.: The Board and the public participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2.0) Consent Agenda

Warrants for July 31, 2017: S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 18-04A, Withholdings, \$129,342.63; 18-05B, Payroll, \$106,357.96; 18-04 Invoices: \$235,988.83; 18-04V Veterans: \$10,295.92, S. Pimental made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, D. Perry Voted 5-0

Warrants for August 7, 2017: S. Vadnais read the weekly Warrants; 18-05A, Withholdings, \$32,853.02; 18-06B, Payroll, \$91,317.48; 18-05 Invoices: \$48,977.94; S. Pimental made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, J. Muri. Voted 5-0

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Minutes: On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve regular session minutes for June 5, 2017. All Vote 5-0; On a motion made by J. Muri Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve regular session minutes for June 12, 2017. All Vote 4-0 (S. Pimental abstained); On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve regular session minutes for July 13, 2017. All Vote 5-0. On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve & hold executive session minutes for June 27, 2017 Sessions 1 and 2. All Vote 5-0

Open Forum – Announcements:

- Next Selectmen's Meeting will be on Monday August 21, 2017 at the Senior Center at 7PM.
- Oliver Carr: Scout Troop 3 Dighton; working on the Communications Merit Badge; part of earning the badge, I need to attend a local meeting. J. Muri: you can get the Citizenship badge as well. O.C.: My brother is doing the flower boxes outside the COA.

Town Administrator's Report:

- Start thinking about the 11/6/17 Special Town Meeting. I would like to put it on the agenda for next week and open warrant time table.
- The cell tower leases are all going to be up in 9 months. I have contacted Ivan Pagacik to hopefully be able to assist us in working with the new leases. He helped us on previous cell tower RFPs.
On a motion made by J. Muri Second by G. Schwall it was voted to allow Helen to work with Ivan Pagacik in dealing with the cell tower leases. All Vote 5-0
- Dave Scanlon had given the Board new Personnel Policies; Classification Plan & Compensation Plan, for review and he is following up on how the Board would like to proceed. G. Schwall would like to review the policies again.
- When do you want to meet with the Dighton Board of Selectmen. S.V. schedule it September
- ZBA meeting is 8/17/17- they will be discussing the Anawan School Project.
- I have a meeting scheduled with Bill Solomon on 8/14/17, at no charge, to discuss Local Access 501C. J. M. I cannot make that meeting please reschedule.

NEW BUSINESS: Action Item #1: Discussion with David House Re: Net Metering Credits for Town & Electric Bills

David House present: The Town has been contacted by Bluewave and Nexamp to see if we will be willing to go into contract to earn credits to save about \$0.03 per kilowatt. The Commonwealth now allows and the developers are offering municipalities to apply a percentage of net metering credits generated by these large-scale facilities against or town wide power use costs. This could bring us savings of \$6,000 - \$8,000 per year depending on how many credits we buy. If we had time, we could send out for an RFP, but this offer runs out by September 1, 2017.

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On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to move forward and solicit quotes from developers on net metering. All Vote 5-0
Helen will contact Atty. Jay Talerman to look over any contracts and make sure the Town is within the bylaws.

Action Item #2: 7:15 Pole Hearing- 49 Salisbury Street

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to open public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

No abutters present. Joshua Steinborn from National Grid present.

Pole needed due to no pole nearby.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to close public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by S. Pimental it was voted to approve Petition from Mass Electric and Verizon New England for the placement of one 40” pole 5505 with anchor on Town property in front of house at 49 Salisbury Street; cross road with secondary wire only; add one anchor to pole 5504 on town property for support. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #3: 7:20PM Pole Hearing – Wheeler Street

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to open public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

Joshua Steinborn from Mass Electric present. No abutters present.

A pole is needed for tension purposes.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to close public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

This request has been approved by Police Chief, Highway Superintendent and Tree Warden.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to approve Petition from Mass Electric for the placement of pole, down guy and anchor with a 5-ft. led across from Pole 2637 on east side of Wheeler Street on town property. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #4: 7:25PM Pole Hearing – Homestead Avenue

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to open public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

Joshua Steinborn from Mass Electric present. No abutters present.

A pole is needed because tree guide is not up to standards.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to close public hearing.

Roll Call: Pimental – aye; Muri – aye; Vadnais – aye; Schwall – aye; Perry – aye

This request has been approved by Police Chief, Highway Superintendent and Tree Warden.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve Petition from Mass Electric and Verizon New England for the placement of one pole, down guy and anchor with a 4-ft. lead on Town property on the south side of Homestead Avenue. All Vote 5-0

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Action Item #5: Award of RFQ for Physical Conditions Assessment Report

Andrew Barr of Russo Barr Associates is present.

Ted Rouse and Bill Costa, part of the selection committee, present.

J. Muri: we did research on several companies and selected Russo Barr Associates as the most qualified bidder. The Selection Committee requested 6 copies of the draft report and electronic copies with additional drawings of auto CAD.

This proposal includes the Public Safety Building & Town Hall only.

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by S. Pimental it was voted to accept and sign cost proposal contract with Russo Barr Associates for a Physical Conditions Assessment Report. All Vote 5-0

A.Barr: I hope to have a full assessment by the end of August. The longest part will be the hazardous materials. He explained everything the assessment will consist of and what they are testing and looking at.

M. Deignan: Finance Committee: Can you give us a summary of the bids you received; J. Muri this was an RFQ process and was do not exceed \$40,000. The Committee chose the most qualified bidder. M.D: And we are paying this out of the Facilities maintenance line? Yes.

Action Item #6: Discussion with Chris Gauthier

Discussion regarding CARCS concerns that the Town is not sharing information with them.

The Board has received an email from a member of the CARCS group stating the Board is withholding information. C.G: I was not upset with the Board of Selectmen. I was trying to gain information from you to go back and explain to the CARCS group. I think we have done good working together and I want to continue to work together. I try to mediate the messages of this group, sometimes good sometimes not so good. We are on the same page and there are no issues. The letter of discussion was in the Sun Chronicle before the Selectmen had a chance to read it.

- Bryan Hatch; CARCS member has be going over a proposed bylaw with the Planning Board (C.G. handed copies to the Board of Selectmen) G.S. If you plan on bringing this before the Special Town Meeting, you need to have Town Counsel review the wording.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to send proposed bylaw by CARCS group to Jay Talerman for review. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #7: Anawan School Project – Water Supply Well Alternatives

J. Muri: it was discussed to combine the COA and the Anawan School so that it would allow for two public water supplies. The single water source would be the best choice for several reasons. DEP prefers that the water supplies for the Senior Center and proposed housing be combined into a common public water system. Alternative I-C for two wells appeared to be the best alternative for a single water source for both facilities.

On a motion made by J. Muri Second by S. Pimental it was voted to have ZBA pursue Option I-C. All Vote 5-0

M. Costello: Are we going to split expenses for the water testing, it gets expensive. J. Muri will look into the expenses and how they will be shared.

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Action Item #8: Highway Uniform Contract

S.V.: I just want to tell you M. Costello, that you and the Highway Department are doing a great job taking water off the roads.

Superintendent Costello submitted a contract from UniFirst for uniform supplies & services for Highway employees at a cost of \$31.95 per week (or estimated cost of \$1,662 per year x 3 years for a total of \$4,985). Previous services were under a contract with Cintas which M. Costello has since cancelled.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to accept & sign contract from UniFirst for Highway Department uniform supplies and services upon satisfactory contract review from Selectmen Schwall. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #9: Street Opening Permit & Utility Installation License Applications

It is requested the Board review and approve the attached applications forms for anyone who applies to open a Town of Rehoboth public way.

Forms are as follows:

Application Name	Authorizing Authority	Fee	Requirements
Roadway Utility Installation License	Board of Selectmen	\$250.00 (annually)	Board of Selectmen must hold Public Hearing within 28 days of receipt of license application (Ref. TOR General Bylaws Chapter J Access to Roadways Article II Utility Installation in the Roadways Sections 1-4)
Street Opening Permit	Highway Superintendent	Per Chart listed below	Applicant must meet all requirements listed on street opening permit application

ROAD UTILITY LICENSE FEE

Minimum Fee - \$25.00

\$1.00 to \$99,999.99.....2% of cost of construction

\$100,000.00 to \$499,999.99..... 1½% of cost of construction

\$500,000.00 to \$999,999.99.....1% of cost of construction

\$1,000,000.00 to \$9,999,999.99.....¾% of cost of construction

\$10,000,000.00 and up½% of cost of construction

On a motion made by D. Perry Second by S. Pimental it was voted to approve the application forms for anyone who applies to open a Town of Rehoboth public way. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #10: Notice from Liberty Utilities

Tabled at last meeting.

We have received notice from Liberty Utilities requesting consent to bring in gas service to The Reserve at Springhill in Rehoboth. Per our bylaws, any utility to be installed in an accepted Town road must first obtain a license from the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen must hold a Public Hearing within 28 days from the date of receipt of said application for License from Board of Selectmen. Helen will send out a license application to them.

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Action Item #11: Chapter 90 Project Request

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve and sign Chapter 90 Project Request for \$380,000.00 to prep roads for payment and repair drainage as needed; rebuild Kelton, Gorham and Chestnut road edges with edges with ¾" dense grade; stripping as required. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #12: Town Maps Review Committee Report

Bill Costa of Town Maps Committee present to go over the goals of the Committee.

Roger Williams College has presented us with a GIS resource map. We are working to get this map on an electronic format; working with Derek Rousseau, Professor Brinkley and Professor Hermance from Brown University. Our goal is trying to get all the permits on an electronic format. I am also assisting the Water Commissioners to format the water resource locations in Town. We will try and get this on a GIS system, to be able to remotely access water resources. I think this is a valuable tool. G.S. What is the step to get all the information of wells in Town? B.C.: The past written ones we will have to put in a database and extract it from there. The real old wells, we may have to use a computer at property that would record it within 3 feet. The GIS system can be used for a various of things: street lengths, locate culverts.

Tish Vadnais: This is not a simple thing to run. I would also like the type of well and how was it dug on the information as well. B.C.: The system documents where the water table is and also how far down the well is dug.

On a motion made by G. Schwall Second by S. Pimental it was voted to accept the recommendations of the Town Maps Review Committee to support the Water Commission Graphic Information System Map Well date expansion program. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #13: Appoint Sealer of Weights & Measures

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to appoint Raymond White as the Sealer of Weights & Measures for the Town of Rehoboth effective 7/1/17 – 6/30/18. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #14: Dumontier Chapter 61A Notice to Change/Convert

Tabled last meeting.

The Board of Selectmen have received notice of intention to change and/or convert use of property classified under MGL Chapter 61A owned by the Dumontier Family Trust No. II.

Conscom reviewed and have not yet given a recommendation.

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by G. Schwall it was voted to table item until Conservation Commission can give a recommendation. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #15: Public Safety Building Roof

Several weeks ago, the Public Safety Building roof leaked in several places during a heavy Friday rainstorm. The amount of work involved needs three quotes. Helen will be getting two more quotes.

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Action Item #16: One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License Application

1) On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by D. Perry it was voted to approve One Day Special Wine & Malt Liquor License for:

Leisa Silva of 2 Braytonwood Drive, Rehoboth, MA to be used at south Seekonk Gun Club, 61 Reed Street, Rehoboth, MA for the following date:

Date	Time	Purpose
10/27/17	7:00 pm – 11:15 pm	Fundraiser

Transportation of Liquor Dates: 10/26/17 & 10/28/17. All Vote 5-0

2) On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to approve One Day Special Wine & Malt Liquor License for: Elizabeth Silver, Emery's Catering, 24 Central Street, Central Falls, RI 02863

Addressed of Licensed Premises: Camp Ramsbottom, 205 Winthrop Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769 for a Corporate Outing 8/19/17 from 12:00PM – 4:00PM, transportation of liquor: 8/18/17 & 8/20/17. All Vote 5-0

Action Item #17: Comcast PEG Check

On a motion made by S. Pimental Second by J. Muri it was voted to accept Comcast PEG funding check in the amount of \$62,526.22 for the quarter 4/1/17 – 6/30/17. All Vote 5-0

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

8/7/17 Selectmen's Reports:

Vadnais: none

Schwall: I would like to thank the detail officers that handled the bike run that went through Town. Our officers were out of their vehicles doing a great job, while neighboring Town's had several issues with officers sitting in the vehicles. So great job, it was nice to hear this about our officers. --Dave has any decision been made about where the cannon is going that is at the gazebo. M.C. the Parks Commission wants to keep it there.

Pimental: none

Perry: none

Muri: There are some HVAC problems at the COA and the members have been very proactive in taken care of the problems. Hopefully we will be done soon with the punch list items. Thank you Ron Whittemore.

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ADJOURNMENT: Selectmen S. Pimental made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 9:07 PM., Second by Selectmen J. Muri. Vadnais – aye; Perry – aye; Pimental – aye; Schwall – aye; Muri - aye

Frederick E. Vadnais, Jr., Chairman

Gerald V. Schwall, Vice Chairman

Susan M. Pimental, Clerk

David A. Perry, Jr., Member

James Muri, Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly J. Hathaway
Interim Assistant Town Administrator

Approved 9/25/17