Select Board Meeting Minutes

Town Hall - Select Board's Conference Room

Thursday March 26, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.

All meetings of the Select Board are recorded

ATTENDANCE:

Chairman, Russell S. Fox

Vice-Chairman, Doug Moglin - Remote

Clerk, Joseph J. Deedy

Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart

Administrative Assistant, Cindy Pendleton – Absent

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Michelle Hill, TCC - Remote

Meeting Notices: Pursuant to the Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Select Board will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the office of the AG Web page at https://www.mass.gov/guides/resources-during-covid-19#-open-meeting-law-.

No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted. We will post on the town's website an audio recording as soon as possible after the meeting.

The Public Body convened in Open Session according to M.G.L. c.30A, S21 (b) (1). The scheduled meeting of the Select Board was called to order by Chairman Russell S. Fox at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Fox read above State Laws and Governor Order into record.

The Select Board conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: There were none.

6:00 p.m. Town Clerk:

Discussed options to move Elections and Town Meeting. Move Annual Town Meeting to June 2, 2020 from May 19, 2020. Move Annual Town Elections to May 19, 2020 from May 12, 2020. The Select Board took this information under advisement and will decide at a later meeting.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to freeze non-essential General Fund spending.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to approve a Reserve Fund Transfer for Town Clerk / Elections in the amount of \$5,000.00 for a voting machine for upcoming elections and early voting requirements.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to approve Provisional Hire of Mr. Steve Backman and Mr. Joshua Girard for SFD FF/EMT 120 days term per union MOA agreement.

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to acknowledge and approve the following:

- Payroll Warrant #2019, dated 3/19/2020, in the amount of \$226,856.99.
- Payables Warrant #2024B, dated 3/23/2020, in the amount of \$587,480.38.
- Executive Session Minutes of 3/10/2020 & Work Session Minutes of 3/10/2020.
- Open Session Minutes of 3/19/2020 and 3/10/2020.

Action Items, Bills, Mail, Correspondence, Vendor and/or Personnel Contracts, Personnel Decisions, Policy Adoptions, Payroll Actions, Old Business, New Business, Etc.- Possible Motions/Votes:

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to acknowledge and approve the following:

- The Green Energy Program was tabled.
- Open Space Facilities Policies and Signage CPC Application. This will be prepared by Chris Pratt and Mr. Clark for the Select Board to sign-off.
- A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) for the Chairman to sign the contract for the Alum Treatment.
- Mr. Moglin provided an update on research to acquire Zoom licenses for town boards for remote Open Meeting Law options and public participation.

Old Business & Dates to Remember:

- Chief Administrative Officer stated the Darosa Dog Hearing Decision has been sent to the owner by email and certified mail.
- Mr. Deedy discussed the Whalley Park Pavilion project.

New Business:

- Chief Administrative Officer discussed budget process that needs to be finished for ATM
- Mr. Moglin reached out to COA Director to see how we can help Seniors with services, food and other necessities. Neighbor helping neighbor approach.
- Mr. Deedy announced playscapes closed due to pandemic of COVID-19. He will speak to the Chief of Police to help.
- Mr. Fox DPW Transfer Station white bulk goods and wood pile. He spoke to BOH
 director who relayed the measures are short term. A long term plan is needed to
 address needs of getting waste from people's homes and be safe for staff.
- Next meeting to be held on April 1, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to adjourn at 6:38p.m.

No Executive Session was held.

Respectfully submitted.

Robin Solek

Select Board Secretary