

# **Select Board Meeting Minutes**

*Town Hall - Select Board's Conference Room*

***Monday August 9, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.***

*All meetings of the Select Board are recorded*

**ATTENDANCE:** Chairman, Joseph J. Deedy - Auditorium  
Vice-Chairman, Russell S. Fox - Auditorium  
Clerk, Doug Moglin - Auditorium  
Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart – Auditorium  
Acting Administrative Assistant, Robin A. Solek – Auditorium

## ***Location: Town Hall Auditorium***

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Date of this meeting: August 9, 2021

Meeting Notice: This meeting held Pursuant to Chapter 20, Acts of 2021

Notice: Hybrid meeting with limited technology until new equipment comes in the future. In the event of any technical difficulties, we will ensure a recorded tape of the proceedings is placed upon the Town Web page 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 Joe Deedy at 6:00 p.m.

**Chairman roll call attendance of Board Members present for meeting. All present**

### **Public Comments:**

Cindy Marshall , 45 Coes Hill Road and Joanne Leblanc, 38 Reservoir Road(Remote). For a verbatim dialogue please log on to southwickma.org under Select Board page and click on audio minutes dated 8/9/2021.

- **Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2203B, dated 07/27/21 in the amount of \$3,485,496.80.**
- **Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2203, dated 08/03/21, in the amount of \$261,405.52.**

**Meeting Discussion Items, 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. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Open Session Minutes dated 07/26/21.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Executive Session Minutes dated 07/26/21.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Yes :2; Abstain:1 D.M.) to table the one day liquor license for Rods & Mods Classic Car Show on 8/28/21 rain date 8/29/21.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Abstain**  
**The Select Board would like Chief Landis review and mark out the fenced area where the alcohol will be served. Mr. Deedy acknowledged that he will be a vendor at the event.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to authorize the Chairman to sign the SFD Chief Contract amendment #1.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to approve Select Board Protocols to reflect board name change.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to make an offer of employment to Jon Goddard contingent upon physical and other requirements for Town Planner position.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to authorize Board to sign a Letter of Understanding for Mr. Goddard.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to authorize M.G.L. Ch. 268A disclosures including but not limited to subsections 20(d), 23(b) (2), and 19 for Town Planner and DPW Storm Water Coordinator roles  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Unanimous) to designate Mr. Goddard for Special Municipal Employee status for both positions stated above.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to Job Description for Building & Grounds Supervisor as amended, to post and advertise the vacancy.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to accept Shurtleff Children's Services, Inc. Library Grant in the amount of \$1,110.32  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to accept Library Trustee resignation from Carol Geryk and to post vacancy.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to sign PVPC invoice #16 FY 19 in the amount of \$1,884.28.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to sign PVPC invoice #1 FY 20 in the amount of \$4,353.98.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**

### New Business:

**FY 22 Department Head Goals / Objectives inputs by Select Board to CAO**  
**Discussion centered on members providing to CAO to align professional staff goals with SB priorities and goals.**

### Old Business:

- Road Name Change Southwick Hill Road to Iron Horse Hill Hearing date is September 13, 2021.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Unanimous.) to adopt the updated version of the ConCom Coordinator version and authorized the CAO to post.
- **Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- Green Energy waiting for inputs from PVPC.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Unanimous.) to appoint a 3 year term to the Chairman of the Board of Appeals Christopher Mastroianni, a 2 year term to the Vice-Chairman William Lis and a 1 year term to Board Member Paul Gregoire, 1 year terms to the Associate Members Michael Parent and Thomas Stapleton.  
Other appointments will be continued to be addressed.  
Mr. Fox would like an update on the boarding software program that the TCC Office is implementing.  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**
- The Town is seeking interest for occupancy for the vacant medical building on College Highway. The Board is continuing to reach out for any interest in renting the building for a medical practice. Still searching.
- The Select Board updated their Goals & Objectives.
- Mr. Moglin discussed with the Select Board the inconsistency of Town Board & Committee Meetings ie: in person only, hybrid, zoom only. Town residents are confused on how to attend meetings. There needs to be consistency and clear instructions how to attend. He is seeking clarification from Counsel.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Deedy (Unanimous) to re-appoint the members of the High Speed Internet.  
**Chris Boyd, Pari Hoxha, Alisha Sullivan, Kaitlyn Haseltine, Marlene Quinlan. Johnson, and Doug Moglin**  
**Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.**

**A MOTION** to go into Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) Ch. 214, Section 1B and; CMR 20.03 (1) B at 7:35 p.m.

RE: Non-Union and Clerical Unit Strategy Collective Bargaining and Litigation

**Executive Non-Union Strategy Collective Bargaining and Litigation**

Exception #2:

Move to go into Executive Session to conduct collective bargaining sessions, with nonunion personnel and to:

**not to reconvene in Open Session**

**(Chair Must Declare).**

Move to go into Executive Session to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to:

**not to reconvene in Open Session**

**(Chair Must Declare).**

declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body, and to

**not to reconvene in Open Session**

**(Chair Must Declare).**

Exception #3: Move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the Chair Move to go into Executive Session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to

**Not to reconvene Open Session**

**(Chair Must Declare).**

Move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and that the Chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body, and to:

**not to reconvene in Open Session**

**(Chair Must Declare).**

RE: Ch. 214, Section 1B

Roll Call Vote: D. Moglin: Yes, J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin A. Solek  
Administrative Assistant