

Select Board Meeting Minutes

Town Hall - Select Board's Conference Room

Monday, April 25, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

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Location: Town Hall Auditorium

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Date of this meeting: April 25, 2022

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.

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

Chairman roll call attendance of Board Members present for meeting.

Public Comments: Inga Hotaling, Kline Road: Inquired about a list of Town Acronyms. Disturbed that boards do not communicate with one another
Cindy Lamoureux, Granville Road: Glad that CPC denied funding for the Town Hall Roof Repair. Who is Ronald Deedy?
Diane Gale, Point Grove Road: Has been listening and attending Select Board Meetings for the past 11 months. She recently listened to the Westfield State Live broadcast hosted with J. Deedy, Chairman of Select Board. She announced she was embarrassed by the conversation on the radio show and continued to criticize the conduct and speech of the Board. The Board has failed her and the community. For verbatim dialogue please listen to the SB Audio on the town website www.southwickma.org .04.25.22

Zoom: There were none.

6:05 p.m. Gabe Filer Pioneer Valley Planning Commission: FY 19 CDBG Public Hearing Budget Amendment:

Mr. Gabe Filer introduced himself and explained the purpose of the Public Hearing of Federal FY 19 CDBG funds. Mr. Filer distributed a sign in sheet for the people present.

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to approve a budget amendment to transfer funds to cover the purchase of a new vehicle(s) for the Senior Center and install a new elevator design in Town Hall. The town is looking to transfer up to \$152,000.00 in this grant-funded program.

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

The Hearing provided an opportunity to ask questions or make comments. There were none. The Town of Southwick is fortunate to have available this opportunity for the use of funds.

6:10 p.m. Hearing Wok on Water D/B/A Lake Life 101 Jen Nolasco:

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to open the Hearing
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.
There was no need to read the legal ad did not have to advertise.
There was no paperwork to enter into the record.
Mr. Deedy asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak in favor.
Inga Hotaling, Cindy Lamoureux, and Diane Gale in favor of the DBA.
Mr. Deedy asked if anyone wanted to speak against.
There was no one.
General Discussion
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to close the Hearing
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 D/B/A from Wok on Water to Lake Life 101
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.

6:15 p.m. Cultural Council new appointment Pauline Thomas:

The Select Board received a letter of interest from Pauline Thomas to be appointed to the Cultural Commission. She was not present for the appointment. Ms. Thomas is an artist has volunteered in the past. Appointments are posted and on the town website for residents that are interested.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Pauline Thomas to the Cultural Council

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

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2224B, dated 4/20/22, in the amount of \$230,520.17
- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2224B, dated 4/12/22, in the amount of \$240,246.37
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Unanimous) to table the Open Session Minutes dated 04/11/22.
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 Select Board FY 23 Work Session Minutes dated 04/6/22.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.

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. Moglin seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Ian Hurley to the SFD as a Call Force Paramedic Firefighter contingent upon passage of pre-employment requirements.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Lillian Barden as a SFD Junior Firefighter.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.
- A notification and invitation to the American Legion Memorial Day Parade to be held on 5/30/22.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Parade Permit.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.
- The Select Board tabled the request for revising the base rate hourly wage for seasonal/temporary/floater and part-time board secretary classifications.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote - Unanimous) to accept a SPD Donation in the amount of \$250.00 from the Republican Town Committee.
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 appoint Anthony Malone and Rose Hanna to SFD Traffic Control Officers contingent upon passage of requirements; transfer for Kevin Bishop to Traffic Control Officer from Reserve Officer Classification.
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 SPD P/T Dispatcher resignation from Jason Menaker.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Deedy (Vote-Unanimous) to approve a One Day Liquor License for the Lions Club at the Southwick Rec Center on 5/15/22. The presence of a Police Officer was waived.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Abstain, D. Moglin: Yes.
- A notification of the Senior Center Volunteer Luncheon to be held on 5/25/22 at noon.

New Business:

The Southwick Housing Authority Vacancy process. The new process will include having at tenant as a member on the Housing Authority. The Select Board are waiting for more information on when this will be effective.

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote - Unanimous) to accept the resignation from Beth Malone. The Select Board thanked her for her time and dedication.

Old Business:

- North Pond violations site waiting for Fish & Game Agreement.
- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield update
- Board and Committee procedure to notify and appoint members
- Deputy Fire Chief Recruitment Process

- Job Description for Assistant to CAO position vote to approve
- Review STM & ATM Articles, Bond Issues, ARPA Funds Utilization and FY 23 Budget Items. Select Board okay with items.
- Review Petition from Counsel for 141 Congamond Road (former Crabby Joe's) for parking easement or license. Chairman Deedy was delegated to develop a license agreement. The Select Board approved a fee of \$1,500.00 a year for 2 years.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to offer Sabrina Pooler the position as CPC / ConCom Coordinator contingent upon pre-employment requirements.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: J. Deedy: Yes, R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes

There was no Executive Session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin A. Solek
Administrative Assistant