

Select Board Meeting Minutes

Town Hall - Select Board's Conference Room

Monday, May 23, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

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Location: Town Hall Auditorium

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Date of this meeting: May 23, 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, Russell S. Fox – Present
Vice-Chairman, Doug Moglin - Present
Clerk, Jason Perron - 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 wished Jason Perron a warm welcome.

Michelle Pratt, Berkshire Avenue, is not in favor of an additional marina at 141 Congamond Road. The lakes are already overcrowded. CRC is in favor of 75' transient docks for the restaurant; 150' foot docks will narrow the navigation in and out of the tunnel. CRC would like to share a presentation with the Select Board.

For verbatim please visit www.southwickma.org. 5/23/22 audio minutes.

Zoom: There were none.

6:05 p.m. Pole Hearing Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless new antenna on pole located at 82 Point Grove Road:

Mr. Fox read the Pole Hearing Notice in its entirety.

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to open the pole hearing.

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

Mr. Fox asked if anyone in the audience had any questions. There were none.

Mr. Fox asked anyone on zoom.

Mr. Orszulak, 36 Grove Street inquired about a cease and desist in Pittsfield and are there any health concerns. A representative (a Doctor) from Verizon on zoom replied. Pittsfield was a cell tower that the resident was inquiring about. There are no health concerns with the new antenna a minimal radio waves that have no bad health effects.

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to close the pole hearing.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve the new antenna on pole located at 82 Point Grove Road.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.

6:15 p.m. Chief Landis re:COPS Hiring Program:

Chief Landis met with the Select Board to request pursuing a grant to hire an additional Police Officer. Currently we have 17 full time Officers. The Select Board give their full support. Mr. Moglin commended the exemplary training and practices that the Officers receive.

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve pursuing the COPS Hiring Program.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2226B dated 5/17/22, in the amount of \$519,453.93.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Moglin (Vote-Yes: 2 Abstain: 1) to approve the Open Session Minutes 5/17/22.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Abstain.

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. Perron (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Mr. Fox as Chairman of the Select Board.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Mr. Moglin as Vice-Chairman of the Select Board.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Mr. Perron as Clerk of the Select Board
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.

Mr. Fox designated the following assignments:

Mr. Moglin – Fire Department, DPW and Capital Expenditures Committee

Mr. Perron – LEPC and Emergency Management

Mr. Fox – Police, Finance Committee & Signing of Warrants

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to authorize Chair to handle year end Municipal Modernization Act transfers between line items and FinCom Reserve Requests through 6/30/22
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to authorize a Letter of Understanding w/Sabrina Pooler as ConCom/CPC Coordinator effective 6/1/22.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to ratify SB Chair sign-off on a Master Plan \$50,000 Grant to EOEEA through the Planning Board w/PVPC assistance
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- DPW Transfer Station Fees: The Select Board discussed the options presented and decided for the FY 23 rates \$140.00 resident sticker and \$80.00 senior sticker.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve the FY 23 rates recommended above.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve DPW MVP Grant Amendment for Klaus Anderson Road Culvert Project.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) Sam West Road Connector Project/Powder Mill Road Sidewalks Project.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to accept SPD donation in the amount of \$500.00 from Southwick Acres Inc.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **“Motion to award the town hall roof bid submission from Young Developers, (base bid \$932, 865.00) designers and authorize the Select Board to enter in a contract for same and other related actions”**
- **Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.**
- A notification for a KENO application for Lake Life 101. The Select Board have no objection
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve a Banner Ad for Graduating Class of 2022 from the SB Gift Account.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve Financial Warrant #9 Community Development Program FY 20, in the amount of \$3,853.52
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.

New Business:

- Channel 15 “Everything Southwick” Show. The Select Board will alternate hosting.
- Summer Schedule – Mr. Fox presented a draft schedule to be prepared for 6/6/22 meeting

Old Business:

- *Discuss two (2 year license) for the Limited Use of Real Property on Beach Road and Congamond Road for 141 Congamond Road:*
Mr. Fox has spoken with Dick Grannells and Jon Goddard at length about the license for parking at 141 Congamond Road. This is for parking at the restaurant. A Chapter 91 application is for a marina. The applicant should work with the Harbor Master, Chief Landis in regards to a marina.
Mr. Moglin has made a site visit to the property and it is important for the business to open and not leave the building vacant.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve the two (2 year license) for 141 Congamond Road.
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes.
- North Pond violations site waiting for Fish & Game Agreement.
- Town Hall Roof Design (Roof bids received and HVAC design work almost complete)
- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield update
- Board and Committee procedure to notify and appoint members
- Deputy Fire Chief Recruitment Process
- American Legion Parade 5/30/22
- COA Senior Center Volunteer Luncheon 5/25/22 at noon.
- Master Plan Sub Committee Update

A MOTION was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.

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

There was no Executive Session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin A. Solek
Administrative Assistant