

***SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES FOR:
March 20, 2018
Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.
Select Board Conference Room, Town Hall
All meetings of the Select Board are recorded***

ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Doug Moglin
Vice-Chairman, Joseph J. Deedy
Clerk, Russell S. Fox
Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart
Administrative Assistant, Sondra Pendleton

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mike McMahon
Diane Caruso
Greg FitzPatrick
Kevin Bishop

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, Doug Moglin, at 5:00 p.m.

The Board took their picture for the Annual Town Report.

Public Comments:

None.

**5:10 p.m. Library Director – Mrs. Caruso
RE: Carpet and Painting Bids**

There is presently \$32,000.00 in the budget for painting and carpeting. This would not be enough funds to accommodate the received bids. Therefore, a scaled down work scope will be necessary. **A MOTION** was made to table until next meeting to make a decision on a vendor. The Board would like to do a walk-through of all buildings to determine priorities.

Payroll/Payables Warrants:

- The Board acknowledged Payroll Warrant 1823, dated 3/19/18, in the amount of \$204,925.18.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to accept the Regular Session Minutes of 3/13/18.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to accept the Executive Session I Minutes 3/13/18.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to accept the Executive Session II Minutes 3/13/18.

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

- The Select Board discussed a request for additional funds for the upcoming Rotary Club summer concerts at Whalley Park from the Cultural Council. They have had Rotarians mention to them that funds are coming in for the events so the Board felt it should hold off on making a donation at this time (from its Gift Account), but can readdress when needed. It would not be part of the budget document finalization. This will give flexibility to help when needed.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to nominate Tracy Root, to the Mass Department of Agricultural Resources, as the Town of Southwick Animal Inspector.
- The Board signed a Certificate of Appreciation for Mary Jane Connolly who resigned from the Council on Aging Board.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Southwick Fire Department's Deputy Fire Chief Job Description and to post the opening.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to accept a Southwick Police Department Donation(s) from the Silverman's in the amount of \$250.00.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to accept a Southwick Police Department Donation(s) from Louise Alberti in the amount of \$25.00.
- The Board received the CapCom Recommendations for FY 2019.
- The Board will get clarification on the Southwick Open Space Plan Update from PVPC.
- Mr. Stinehart and Mr. Deedy will attend the Annual Western Mass Legislators Pancake Breakfast on 3/30/18 from 9 to 11 at Café Santorini.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve 3 One Day Liquor Licenses for Art Show on 4/27, 4/28, and 4/29/2018 and to waive the presence of a Police Officer.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the 2018 Seasonal Liquor Licenses for Edgewood Golf Course of Southwick, Inc. and Moe's Coffee Shop, LLC.
- The Board received the Class II License Status for 532 College Highway.

New Business:

- The Board signed the Donate Life Month/Susan Sanders Day Proclamation for 4/3/18.

Old Business:

- Mr. Fox stated that the Board was notified of the release of a frivolous lawsuit initiated by Mr. Jeffrey Neece from Federal Court.
- CRC Meeting - Mr. Moglin - 7:00 p.m. on 4/10/18 – Mr. Moglin is meeting with the First Selectman of Suffield on 3/22/18.
- BEA at 6:00 p.m. on 4/11/18 – Mr. Moglin and Mr. Deedy will attend.
- Sale of Old Library – no update, the attorneys are drawing up a warrant article and Southwick Historical Commission is obtaining information on restrictions from the Mass. Historical Commission.
- FY19 Budget – work meetings were scheduled.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to go into Executive Session RE: M.G.L. Chap. 30A, S20 (b), S21 (2) (3) (6) & (7) Ch. 214, Section 1B and; CMR 29.03 (1) (b) at 5:40 p.m. to return to Open Session.

Collective Bargaining w/union and non-union personnel and strategy for Collective Bargaining w/union and non-union personnel-Police Chief Selectee, Cell Tower Lease and litigation.

- Exception #2: X Move to go into Executive Session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation or negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to:
 X to reconvene into Open Session
 X Move to go into Executive Session to conduct collective bargaining sessions, with nonunion personnel and to:
 X to reconvene into Open Session
 X Move to go into Executive Session to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to:
 X to reconvene into Open Session
- Exception #3: X Move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the Chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body, and to
 X to reconvene into Open Session
 (Chair Must Declare).
 X 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:
 X to reconvene into Open Session
 (Chair Must Declare).
- Exception #6: X Move to go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and that an open meeting the chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the body and to:
 X to reconvene into Open Session
 (Chair Must Declare).
- Exception #7: X Move to go into Executive Session to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements, and to:
 X to reconvene into Open Session

Ch. 214, Section 1B A person shall have a right against unreasonable, substantial or serious interference with his privacy. The superior court shall have jurisdiction in equity to enforce such right and in connection therewith to award damages.

Mrs. Pendleton was asked to leave the meeting

A MOTION was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to go out of Executive Session RE: M.G.L. Chap. 30A, S20 (b), S21 (2) (3) (6) & (7) Ch. 214, Section 1B and; CMR 29.03 (1) (b) at 6:15 p.m. and to return to Open Session. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.

1. The Board voted for a 3 year contract for Lt. Kevin Bishop as next Chief of Police for 17/1/18 through 6/30/21. **A MOTION** by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous).
2. **A MOTION** by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote- Unanimous) to adopt FY18 2% COLA's and Market Adjustments and have the Town Accountant put on the Special Town Meeting Warrant for 5/15/18

Being no further business to be brought before the Board at 6:17 p.m. **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to adjourn.

The Select Board to attend the School Budget Meeting at 6:30 p.m. @ PMMS.

Respectfully submitted/transcribed,

Sondra S. Pendleton
Administrative Assistant

Cc: Town Clerk