

Select Board Meeting Minutes

Town Hall - Select Board's Conference Room

Monday, April 3, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

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Location: Select Board Conference Room

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Date of this meeting: April 3, 2023

Meeting Notice: This meeting held Pursuant to Chapter 2, Acts of 2022

Hybrid Meeting

In the event of any technical difficulties, we will ensure a recorded tape of the proceedings is placed on 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 Russ Fox 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 – Zoom
Assistant C.A.O., Nadine Cignoni - Present
Administrative Assistant, Robin A. Solek – Present

Chairman roll call attendance of Board Members present for meeting.

6:00 p.m. Public Comments:

Patrick Jubb, Deer Run offered condolences and a moment in memory of retired K. Sasso's, Woodland School Assistant Vice-Principal Husband's passing.

Diane Gale, Point Grove Road, stated when researching property tax cards online when attempting the print icon. The card is not showing all the details. She is requesting the SB to research the cost of updating the software package.

Zoom: There were none.

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2322, dated 3/28/23, in the amount of \$272,594.29
- Acknowledge Special Payables Warrant #2325B, dated 3/24/23, in the amount of \$10,434.67
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin, seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote: Unanimous) to approve the Open Session Minutes of 3/27/23
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 Executive Session Minutes of 3/27/23
Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: 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:

- The Select Board discussed the SFD O/T funding request by either STM or a FinCom Reserve Fund Transfer. The Board will discuss at their Work Session Meeting on 4/11/2023 with the Finance Committee.
- SPD request to retain old cruiser
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to approve SPD request to retain an old cruiser to be used for Traffic Control Officers and road details.

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 accept/approve a Grant Agreement with MA Development Finance Agency for \$134,500.00 for design & permitting Hudson Drive to Sam West Road loop connector by Fuss & O'Neill.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to appoint the following Deputies as SPD Reserve Officers for the purpose of enforcing C, 90b, Section 12 regulations while assisting with Lake Enforcement per the MOU with the Hampden County Sheriff's Office and the Town of Southwick.

The appointed are as follows:

A. Poirier, A. Aickelin, B. Jones, C. Sanchez, E. Boland, H. Hill, H. Perez, J. Konopko, J. Anger, J. Murry, J. Kuc, K. Pires, K. Grimshaw, M. Gee, N. Sady, P. Sackrider, R. Patry, R. Henke, S. McClelland, S. Hemmingway, W. McCarthy

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 Proclamations for Autism Awareness and National Donate Life Month

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

New Business:

- STM/ATM Warrant Articles. Discussion and Review with CAO customary STM & ATM Warrant Articles, along with Revolving, CPC, Zoning, Planning Board and STGSD Warrant Articles. The Select Board members were offered the opportunity to raise any comments or questions. There will be approximately 30-35 Warrant Articles in total. They were okayed to go to Town Counsel to prepare Warrants.
 - Joint Work Session with Select Board and Accounting Staff on 4/5/23 @ 5:30 p.m.
 - Town Hall Roof Staging – Caution
 - **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Moglin seconded by Mr. Perron (Vote - Unanimous) to support SPD C.O.P.S. Grant Application to fund 2 School Resource Officers.
- Roll Call Vote: R. Fox: Yes, D. Moglin: Yes, J. Perron: Yes**
- Governor Healey extended hybrid meetings until 2025
 - Mr. Moglin is researching the definition/permissible number of Associate Members on Boards, Committees and Commissions. He is waiting for Town Counsel's response.
 - Mr. Moglin met with the Library Director re: technologies
 - Mr. Perron attended the MMA Legislative Breakfast

Old Business:

- Flag Policy to incorporate Mr. Fox's edits with Town Counsel input then future readings @ Select Board Meeting
- North Pond violations site waiting for Fish & Game Agreement – meeting in February
- Sewer System IMA with City of waiting for meeting with Mayor
- Marijuana dispensary – Move to Warrant Article
- Calyx Pistils at 74 College Highway for an update on the marijuana grow facility.
- Speed limits in Deer Run area
- Research Veteran's Tax Break
- SB Goals & Objectives
- Discuss establishment of Stabilization Fund for Opioid Lawsuit Settlement Fund – wait for now
- The Pancake Breakfast Benefit that was held on 4/1/23 was a success.
- Mr. Stinehart will be meeting with the outside CPA vendor to discuss the T/C/C Office re-organization

A MOTION to go into Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. Pursuant to M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) and Ch. 214, Section 1B Litigation Matters and Strategy for Collective Bargaining with Police Union Coalition, Fire IAFF, , Non-Union Staff and Clerk Union UPSEU, **Executive Session RE: M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) Ch. 214, Section 1B and;**

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Robin A. Solek
Administrative Assistant*