

# **Select Board Meeting Minutes 2 REMOTE PARTICIPATION**

***Tuesday, October 27, 2020, 6:00 p.m.***

***All meetings of the Select Board are recorded except Executive Session***

Date of this Meeting: October 27, 2020

Pursuant to the Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C.30A, 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Town of Southwick Select Board is being conducted both at Town Hall and via remote participation by some members. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for the Order. Despite our best efforts, we are not able to provide for real-time access, and will post a record of the meeting on the Town's website as soon as we are able.

**ATTENDANCE:** Chairman, Doug Moglin-Remote  
Vice-Chairman, Joseph J. Deedy-Remote  
Clerk, Russell S. Fox-Remote  
Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart -Town Hall  
Administrative Assistant, Cindy Pendleton–Town Hall

**OTHERS REMOTELY IN ATTENDANCE:** David LaBombard Chief Bishop  
Dennis Hackett Jenna Casale  
Lynn Blair Randy Brown  
Chief Anderson Hope Trembley  
Sergeant Bannish

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Public Comments:** None

## **Payables, Payroll and Minutes:**

- The Board acknowledged Payroll Warrant #2109, dated 10/29/2020, in the amount of \$234,534.44.
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Open Session Minutes for 10/20/2020. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**
- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the Executive Session Minutes for 10/20/2020. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-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. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Donald Day, Paul Laflamme and Nicholas Boldyga as Auxiliary Police Officers. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

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- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to concur with the Southwick Public Library's request for elimination of fines. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve a request for a funds re-allocation for DPW Road Projects within the 2m bond. Some projects came in under budget and DPW Director, Mr. Brown, would like to use the excess monies to do crack sealing work on other roads. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

- **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to approve the 2020/21 local contracted snow plowers submitted by DPW. The contractors are the same as last year with the same rate. The Board stated they were pleased with the job they do. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

- Mr. Deedy will meet with the DPW Office Manager and homeowner to discuss the Sewer Abatement request for 72 Berkshire Avenue in the amount of \$407.00.

- The Board received the amended Select Board Meeting Schedule for the rest of 2020 and Beginning of 2021 due to a change to Monday Meetings versus Tuesdays.

**A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to appoint Dan Cook a Full Member on the Agricultural Commission until 2021. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

**Old Business & Dates to Remember:**

- Approve Conservation Restriction for Greens East Subdivision on College Highway-on hold

- Road Name Change Southwick Hill Road to Iron Horse Lane—waiting on hearing date

- Green Energy Program

- High Speed Internet Committee—Municipal Light Plan Option and Ownership of Poles/Light Fixtures

- SPD Lt. Recruitment Process-pending Chief Contract

**Old Business & Dates to Remember continued:**

- Short greetings video for 250<sup>th</sup> festivities to Southwick, England: The 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee would like each member of the Select Board to do a “closing video statement” at the center of Town: Southwick Inn, Old Library and the Church. And the Chairman to do speech at the end of the video.
- School Roundtable for FY22 Budget 11/19/2020 at 5:30 p.m.
- Place LED Street Lights discussion with DPW Director Mr. Brown for future agenda.
- Mr. Stinehart, Chief Bishop and Chief Anderson attended a Regional Dispatch meeting in Chicopee. More information and future presentation to come.

**New Business:**

- Reminder: Elections 11/3/2020

Mr. Stinehart:

- Approximately 3,000 residents have already voted.
- Mr. Stinehart and Mr. Fox will do a review of the Inter Municipal Agreement with Westfield to execute an extension of services for a Sealer of Weights and Measures.
- Mr. Deedy will attend a Trunk or Treat 10/31/2020 at the High School, where they are expecting 1,000 children or so to attend.

Being no further business to be brought before the Board **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Deedy, seconded by Mr. Fox (Vote-Unanimous) to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Moglin-Yes, Mr. Deedy-Yes, Mr. Fox-Yes.**

***Respectfully submitted,***

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cindy', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Cindy Pendleton  
Administrative Assistant

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