

Select Board Meeting Minutes 06/01/2020.

Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 4:07pm.

The following persons were present via Zoom Chair Loring Barnes, Vice Chair James McCaffery, Clerk Peter Jurmain, Town Administrator Mike Guzinski, Operations Support Manager Karen Bouret.

Sel. Barnes made a motion to enter Executive Session at 4:08pm to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with union personnel (SEIU). Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Open session

Board of Health Director John McVeigh and Chief Barrett reviewed the current COVID statistics. They are on a downward trend.

Town Administrator Mike Guzinski and Finance Director Carol Johnston reviewed the CARES Act Grant application due Friday the total available is \$729,147 for FY20 and FY21.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to authorize the Chair to execute and provide the appropriate documentation for the CARES Act Grant on behalf on the Board. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

DPW Director Jim McKay reviewed the Transfer Station permit application process. He stated he is hoping to establish a mattress recycling program- it will require a grant.

Sel. Barnes made a motion to accept the Transfer Station Summer Hours from 6/3-8/26. Sel. McCaffery seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Soffayer discusses the “Rolling Rally” by the Class of 2020.

Operations Support Manger Karen Bouret thanks the Boiardis for installation of New Blinds at the VMB building.

20-111 Proposed Local Permitting Program for 5:30pm Reopening Retailers & Restaurants

Bob Weiss reviewed his memo regarding the proposed local permitting program. He stated some on the process is waiting for guidelines from the state.

Sel. Barnes stated this is a painful time and wants to help Millis reopen safely.

20-112 Discuss Voting Hours and Recruitment of Workers for Annual Twon Election on 6/22/20.

Mr. Guzinski stated an ad went out last week seeking election workers, there was a suggestion to reduce hours to the minimum. It is required by the state there are 4 total. The Select Board is responsible for setting hours. There are 500 absentee ballots so far.

Town Clerk Lisa Hardin 50+ people want to work and there are about 20 High school students. Election Warden Chris McCaffery stated that reducing hours will help reduce exposure.

Sel. Jurmain made a motion to change election hours from 11:00am-7:00pm. Sel. Barnes seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

20-113 Open Annual Town Meeting Warrant to Insert/Remove Articles.

Wayne Klocko from the Permanent Building Committee spoke to Article 13, he is asking for \$135,000 in unused bond funds from previous DPW projects.

Mr. Guzinski is looking to postpone Articles 18-21, 26, 27, 22, and 23 to the Fall Town Meeting.

Moderator Erin Underhill addressed the Select Board and stated she agrees with the Town Administrator and is looking to streamline the ATM to necessary items to reduce the amount of time people will need together.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to adopt condensed warrant presented by the moderator including Articles 1-17 and move remaining Articles to Fall ATM. Sel. Barnes seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to amend the Capital Article to include \$36,666 for a radio system for the DPW vehicles. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to amend Article 11 to include money for DPW from bonds as discussed earlier. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to remove Articles 19-21. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to eliminate Articles 22 & 23. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to eliminate Articles 26 & 27. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Sel. Barnes made a motion to close the ATM 2020 Warrant. Sel. McCaffery seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

20-114 Close, Approve and Sign Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to approve and sign the Annual Town Meeting 2020 Warrant. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

20-115 Review/Approval of 1/12 Budgets for FY21 for submission of Department of revenue.

Mr. Guzinski stated 1/12 Budgets are a back-up in case the ATM can't be held before June 30th and set a FY21 Budget.

Finance Director, Carol Johnston, reviewed the totals for the July, August, September, and enterprise budgets.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to approve July/August/September 1/12 budgets to include the enterprise funds as presented. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

20-116 Discuss Reinstating Sidewalks/Bike Paths Committee and Fields Committee

Sel. Barnes said it seems time to reinstitute the two committees.

DPW Director, Jim McKay, stated the need to centralize fields maintenance as well as sidewalks.

Sel. McCaffery and Sel. Jurmain both agreed to hold off until FY21 with a new Board.

20-117 Appointment of ZBA Members

Sel. Jurmain made a motion to appoint Bonnie MacDonald as a member beginning in FY21 for one year and William Larson for 3 years. Sel. McCaffery seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

20-118 Streamlined Agenda Packet Distribution

Sel. Barnes recommended posting the agenda packet to the website for transparency.

Sel. McCaffery made a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm. Sel. Jurmain seconded the motion. Sel. Barnes polled the Board, Barnes – yay, McCaffery – yay, Jurmain – yay. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Victoria Schindler