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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Regular Minutes

May 7, 2018

Call to order 7:00 pm – Draper Room

Chairman Wesley called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Draper Room at Town Hall.

Present: Selectman Thomas Wesley, Selectman Louis Arcudi, Selectman Brian Keyes, Town Administrator Steven Sette, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, members of the public and Videographer Marcia Matthews were present.

Chairman Wesley began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Public Comment on Agenda Items

B. Public Hearing 7:05 p.m. for Class II License

Noting that it was 7:05 p.m. Chair Wesley read the public hearing notice and called for a motion to open the public hearing

MSDV to open the public hearing

Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

Adeel Ali and Zeeshan Mushtaq were recognized by Chair Wesley saying they are requesting a Class II license to sell high end cars at 10 Charlesview Road, Unit 3. There is an office space with separate entrance for a used car business. There is indoor parking that would be used to store six high end cars. There is also reserved outside parking for use by the business. The Board reviewed ZBA special permit noting the ZBA

Following discussion, Chair Wesley called for a motion to close the public hearing

MSDV to close the public hearing

Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

Chair called for a motion to approve the Class II license

MSDV to approve the Class II license with the same restrictions as the ZBA including inside sales only with no overnight parking of vehicles that are for sale and no displaying of cars outside during the day.

Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

C. Consent Items

1. Approval of April 2, 2018 Regular Minutes

MSDV to approve the regular minutes of April 2, 2018

Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

2. Approval of April 23, 2018 Regular Minutes

MSDV to approve the regular minutes of April 23, 2018

Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

3. Approval of April 23, 2018 Executive Minutes
MSDV to approve the executive minutes of April 23, 2018
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
4. Authorization of Warrant FY18-42 as approved by Selectmen Keyes and Wesley
MSDV to authorization warrants FY18-42 as approved by Selectmen Keyes and Wesley
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

D. Appointments and Resignations

1. Appointment of Kelly O'Malley to the Cultural Council term to expire 06/30/2020
MSDV to appoint Kelly O'Malley to the Cultural Council term to expire 06/30/2020
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
2. Appointment of Sheril Jones to the Cultural Council term to expire 06/30/2020
MSDV to appoint Sheril Jones to the Cultural Council term to expire 06/30/2020
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

E. New Business

Chair Wesley advised the first order of business would be discussion with member of the Finance Committee

1. Discussion with members of the Finance Committee – FY19 Budget
Members of the Finance Committee present were Chair Karla Hopkins, Colleen Strapponi and Derek Piatt. Ms. Hopkins reviewed the FY 19 Budget numbers with members of the Board of Selectmen and for the public stating the budget does not have any capital projects due to financial constraints. Ms. Hopkins recommended meeting with the Capital Planning Committee to start planning projects for FY 2021, when the Town will have paid down enough debt to add some capital projects. Administrator Sette stated he reviewed the Capital Plan and met with department heads, who expressed they have immediate needs that cannot wait until FY2021. Administrator Sette recommends the Town take a 2.375-million-dollar bond, so the most priority items in the Capital Plan can be started. Items include:

Dept.	Amount	Description
Police	100,000	Cruiser/Cruiser Equipment
Town Clerk	25,000	Voting Machine
Library	150,000	Building Repairs
Fire	375,000	Vehicle Engines/Pumper
Highway	500,000	Road equipment including Front End Loader, Backhoe
Highway/Parks	25,000	Lawn Mower
Highway	1,100,000	Town Road Construction / Reconstruction
School	100,000	Building, HVAC, Boiler, HVAC, Lighting, Bus Lease
TOTAL	2,375,000	

Administrator Sette further explained the equipment can take a year or more before it is built thus pushing bonds payments out to FY2021. The Town will still be able to pay off smaller debt items before the larger ones are added. Following further discussion, the Board of Selectmen agreed to explore this option. Ms. Hopkins advised that the Finance Committee has a meeting scheduled this week and will add this topic for further discussion. The Board of Selectmen invited the Finance Committee their meeting on May 21, to hopefully get unanimous support of both boards prior to the town meeting.

2. Vote to sign and post ATM Warrant
Administrator and the Board reviewed the May 22, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant MSDV to sign and post ATM Warrant
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
3. Request from Police Chief in the amount of \$17,500.00 to transfer funds from various line items to additional gross overtime
MSDV to approve the Police Chief request to transfer funds from various line items to additional gross overtime in the amount of \$17,500.00
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
4. Request from Town Accountant to transfer money from various line items in the amount of \$14,494.80
MSDV to approve the Town Accountant’s request to transfer money from various line items in the amount of \$14,494.80
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
5. Vote to accept \$5,000 Donation (payment in lieu of taxes) from Seven Hills Foundation
MSDV to accept \$5,000 Donation (payment in lieu of taxes) from Seven Hills Foundation
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
6. Vote to open June 19, 2018 STM warrant on Monday, May 21, 2018
MSDV to open June 19, 2018 STM warrant on Monday, May 21, 2018
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
7. Vote to close June 19, 2018 STM warrant on June 4, 2018
MSDV to close June 19, 2018 STM warrant on June 4, 2018
Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye
8. Set time for May 22 joint meeting of Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee to review ATM warrant articles
Board held a discussion and came to consensus to schedule a joint meeting of Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee to review ATM warrant articles at 6:30 p.m.

F. Old Business

1. Email to Representative Murray regarding Verizon double poles
Chair Wesley read the April 27, 2018 email Administrator Sette sent to Representative Murray requesting aid in getting the double poles removed. Administrator Sette will keep the board updated on this.

G. Public and Board Member Comments

None

H. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items

1. Authorization of warrants FY18-43 and 18-43P, as approved by Selectmen Keyes and Wesley and Arcudi
2. Comcast Notice dated April 16, 2018 regarding changes to Video Packaging
3. National Grid Notice dated April 20, 2018 regarding Vegetation Management Plan
4. Email from Eleanor Sultana from Environment Massachusetts requesting Board support for Massachusetts to become 100% Renewable Energy

5. Comcast Notice dated April 25, 2018 of Financial Balance Sheet
6. Notice dated April 26, 2018 from Lisa Pedroli, Town Clerk Certificate of Registration for Underground Storage Tanks
7. Email dated April 26, 2018 from Verizon Fios TV regarding removal of channels
8. Letter dated April 30, 2018 from Bowditch & Dewey on behalf of Philip Shwachman owner of Hopedale Properties, LLC and Hopedale Industrial Center, LLC on proposed Local Historic Districts

Chair Wesley noted item #4, email from Eleanor Sultana from Environment Massachusetts requesting Board support for Massachusetts to become 100% Renewable Energy. There wasn't any back up provided in the email. Chair Wesley is requesting a response be sent back inviting her to a future Board meeting.

Administrator Sette noted the letter from Philip Shwachman's Attorney on the proposed Local Historic District saying he is not in favor of his properties being included in the local historic district. Administrator Sette advised Mr. Shwachman the Local Historic District Study Committee has removed their proposal from the ATM but may move their request to the STM in June or November. The LHDSC will be holding hearings on the proposed eight local historic districts. Mr. Sette noted the LHDSC would be requesting to give a 10 to 15 minutes presentation on their activities and proposal as well as, the school superintendent giving a brief statement on the school department activities, at the beginning of town meeting. The Board had no objections to either giving statements.

I. Requests for Future Agenda Items

J. Administrator News

1. Town Hall Main Office door update
Administrator Sette advised the asbestos located in the flooring in the front entrance was removed this past Saturday, air quality tests were completed and came back fine
2. The Board of Selectmen have been invited to take part in the Flag Day Ceremony on June 14 at the Little Red Shop
3. The Building Inspector is all set to attend the May 21 meeting
4. The Finance Committee will also be in attendance

K. Adjournment in to Executive Session

1. Discussion and vote on Local 272 Clerical Union Contract
2. Discussion and vote on Local 272 Laborers Union Contract

Chair – I am requesting a motion to allow this board to enter Executive Session and not to reconvene in regular session, under M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a) Reason (2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for contract negotiations with union personnel because I, as chair, declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating or litigation position of the Town.

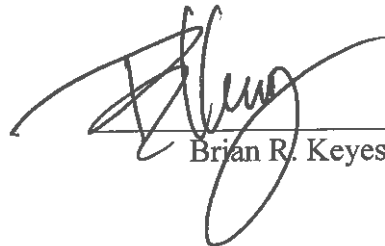
MSDV to enter executive session and not return to open session
RCV Selectman Wesley– Aye; Selectman Arcudi–Aye; Selectman Keyes–Aye

With no further regular business before them, the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting and entered executive session at 8:57 p.m.



Thomas A. Wesley

Louis J. Arcudi, III



Brian R. Keyes

Hopedale Board of Selectmen

*MSDV – Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted