

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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Board of Selectmen Robert Burns Thomas A. Wesley Louis J. Arcudi, III

Town Administrator

Steven A. Sette

Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, April 3, 2017

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

Present: Selectmen Robert P. Burns, Selectman Thomas Wesley, Selectman Louis Arcudi (video conferencing), Town Administrator Steven Sette, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, members of the public and Videographer Jeff Ellis were present.

Chairman Burns began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Public Comment on Agenda Items

1. Notice to Public of Selectman Arcudi Remote Participation via video conferencing Chairman Burns informed the public that due to Selectman Arcudi traveling on business and not being able to participate otherwise, Mr. Arcudi will be participating remotely via video conferencing and all votes will be taken by a roll call vote.

B. Consent Items

- 1. Approval of March 20, 2017 Regular Minutes RCV to approve the regular minutes of March 20, 2017 Selectman Burns – Aye; Selectmen Wesley – Aye; Selectmen Arcudi – Abstain
- 2. Approval of March 20, 2017 Executive Session Minutes RCV to passover the executive minutes of March 20, 2017 Selectman Burns - Aye; Selectmen Wesley - Aye; Selectmen Arcudi - Abstain
- 3. Authorization of Warrants; FY17-37 approved by Selectman Burns; FY17-38 and 17-38P approved by Selectman Wesley RCV to authorize the signing of the above listed warrants Selectman Burns – Aye; Selectmen Wesley – Aye; Selectmen Arcudi – Aye

C. Appointments and Resignations

1. Appointment of Mark W. Francis to Disabilities Commission Chairman Gerry Small was present and spoke in favor of Mr. Francis' appointment to the Disabilities Commission. Board members thanked Mr. Francis for coming forward.

RCV to appoint Mark W. Francis to the Disabilities Commission Selectman Burns - Aye; Selectmen Wesley - Aye; Selectmen Arcudi - Aye

D. New Business

- Vote to set the Annual Town Meeting date as Tuesday, May 23, 2017
 RCV to set the Annual Town Meeting date as Tuesday, May 23, 2017
 Selectman Burns Aye; Selectmen Wesley Aye; Selectmen Arcudi Aye
- Vote to open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant April 18, 2017
 RCV to open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant April 18, 2017
 Selectman Burns Aye; Selectmen Wesley Aye; Selectmen Arcudi Aye
- Vote to close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant May 15, 2017
 RCV to close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant May 15, 2017
 Selectman Burns Aye; Selectmen Wesley Aye; Selectmen Arcudi Aye
- 4. Request to hold Annual Hopedale Youth Baseball and Softball Parade on Saturday, April 29 with a rain date of Sunday, April 30 at Noon RCV to hold Annual Hopedale Youth Baseball and Softball Parade on Saturday, April 29 with a rain date of Sunday, April 30 at Noon Administrator Sette commented Police and Fire have no issues with the parade being held on either date.
 Selectman Burns Aye; Selectmen Wesley Aye; Selectmen Arcudi Aye

E. Old Business

None

F. Public and Board Member Comments

None

- G. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items
 - 1. April 12, 2005 Bylaw regarding Annual Town Meeting Date set as the third Tuesday in May at 7:00 p.m.

The Board was provided with documentation regarding the Town Bylaw on the town meeting date being set as the third Tuesday in May. Administrator Sette stated Town Counsel sent an email advising Board of Selectmen set the Annual Town Meeting date and can **vote** to change the date, which was done earlier in the meeting.

H. Requests for Future Agenda Items

1. Selectman Arcudi requested to talk about budgets at a future meeting. Administrator Sette said Ryan Fattman will be at the May 1 meeting and it would be a good time to discuss the budget with Senator Fattman present.

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I. Administrator News

1. Candidate Forum Night Tuesday, April 25 at 7 p.m. in the HS Auditorium Administrator Sette read the announcement for the above candidate forum night.

J. Executive Session

1. Discussion with Hopedale Country Club regarding Lease Agreement

Chair Burns – I am requesting a motion to allow this board to now enter into Executive Session and not to reconvene in regular session, under M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a) Reason (6): to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, because I as chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town.

Adjournment

With no further regular business before them, the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 7:22 p.m.

RCV to enter into executive session and not return to open session. Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye; Selectman Arcudi- Aye

Robert P. Burns

Thomas A. Wesley

Louis J. Arcudi, III

*MSDV – Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted *RCV – Roll Call Vote

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