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Board of Selectmen

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Regular Minutes

Monday, May 15, 2017

Call to order 7:00 pm – Draper Room

Administrator Sette 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 Jeff Ellis and Marcia Matthews were present.

Administrator Sette began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Administrator Sette requested nominations for Chair

Selectman Arcudi nominated Selectman Wesley as Chair

B. Administrator Sette asked if there were any other nominations for Chair

Hearing no other nominations, a motion made by Selectman Arcudi to close nominations, seconded by Selectman Keyes

MSDV to appoint Selectman Wesley as Chair.

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

C. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Selectman Wesley welcomed Brian Keyes to the Board and congratulated John McCarthy on a well run campaign. Selectman Arcudi echoed Mr. Wesley's comments. Both Selectmen Wesley and Arcudi thanked Bob Burns for his years of service while on the the Board and wished him much success on the Board of Health.

D. Consent Items

1. Approval of May 1, 2017 Regular Minutes

MSDV to approve the regular minutes of May 1, 2017

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

2. Approval of May 1, 2017 Executive Minutes

MSDV to approve the executive minutes of May 1, 2017 not to be released.

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

3. Authorization of Warrants FY17-46P approved by Selectman Keyes

MSDV to authorize the signing of FY17-46P as approved by Selectman Keyes

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

E. Apointments and Resignations

None

F. New Business

1. Request to hold the 8th Annual Larry Olsen Summer Classic 10K Race, September 30, 2017 at 10:00 AM

Town Administrator Sette stated this is an annual race and gave an overview of the race route advising the race has water stops and is mostly goes through the Parklands. In addition, he mentioned there were no other events scheduled that day. The Park Commissioners and the Police have already approved the race; the Fire Chief was also notified, he did not share any concerns with the event.

MSDV to approve request by Chris Kivor to hold the 8th Annual Larry Olsen Summer Classic 10K Race, September 30, 2017 at 10:00 AM

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

2. Review and sign May 23, 2017 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

The Board reviewed the May 23, 2017 Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Administrator Sette provided an overview and explanation on the warrant articles.

Selectman Arcudi asked questions on the following warrant articles; Article 2 – Selectman Arcudi asked if there were any increases to the I line items and whether it is appropriate for the Town Clerk's salary to be under this line item. Administrator explained the article is for elected and appointed positions, which the Town Clerk position is an elected position. The only increase was the Town Clerk's salary advising the Town Clerk presented her budget, which included a salary increase to the Finance Committee, and the FinComm approved it. This will be presented to the voters at Town Meeting. Article 4 and Article 10 – Selectman Arcudi asked if these articles are based on receipts. Administrator Sette confirmed they are.

Administrator Sette explained Article 22 – authorizes the Board of Selectmen to discussion with an owner of a Solar Farm a PILOT agreement, which is Payment in Lieu of Taxes.

Selectman Wesley explained Article 28 – stating he requested this article be placed on the warrant for a Downtown Study to look at the Draper Reuse, downtown area including the Town Hall and parking.

MSDV to review and sign the May 23, 2017 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

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

3. Vote to open June 20, 2017 Special Town Meeting Warrant

MSDV to open the June 20, 2017 Special Town Meeting Warrant

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

4. Vote to close June 20, 2017 Special Town Meeting Warrant on June 5, 2017

MSDV to close the June 20, 2017 Special Town Meeting Warrant on June 5, 2017

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

5. Vote to approve and sign Miscellaneous Budget Transfer Requests \$40,951.00

Administrator Sette said the main reason for the miscellaneous budget transfer request is to cover Town Clerk wages and expenses due to interim staff coverage in the Town Clerk's office. In addition, Police details and Fire Building repair and maintenance line items ran short.

MSDV to approve and sign miscellaneous budget transfer requests \$40,951.00

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

G. Old Business

1. Sign Police Department Budget Transfer Request (approved at 5/1/17 meeting) \$15,000.00

MSDV to authorize signing the Police Department Budget Transfer Request as approved at the May 1 meeting.

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

H. Public and Board Member Comments

Resident Gerry Small asked what the zoning was for the Draper Property. Selectman Keyes who also serves on the Planning Board advised the property is zoned Industrial.

I. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items

None

J. Requests for Future Agenda Items

Discussion occurred on placing a warrant article on the Fall Town Meeting to amend the Town Bylaws changing the dates of the Annual Town Election and Annual Town Meeting. Administrator Sette provided an explanation stating the election and annual town meeting should be changed due to school activities occurring the same week that Town Meeting should fall. Selectman Arcudi agreed stating he would like Town Meeting to occur prior to the election in order for members currently serving to be able to defend their articles on the town meeting floor. Administrator Sette cautioned state budget numbers might not be known if the annual town meeting is held too early.

K. Administrator News

- 1) Administrator Sette reminded the residents of the upcoming May 23 Annual Town Meeting; reminding the Board of the 6:30 p.m. meeting prior to town meeting.
- 2) The Memorial Day celebration will be held on Monday, May 29. In case of inclement weather, Steve has arranged to hold the event inside the HS auditorium. He will let Board members know by Sunday.
- 3) Mr. Sette mentioned that Cumberland Farms is looking for the hours of operation to be 5 am to 12 am. Administrator Sette said that Cumberland Farms needs a Common Victualler License issued by the BOS and the license will determine the hours that food and beverages can be sold. Selectman Keyes stated they are planning on a September opening.
- 4) The Freedom Street Bridge project is moving along. The contractor is working on

the punch list items. Final payment will be issued once the punch list items are complete.

L. Executive Session

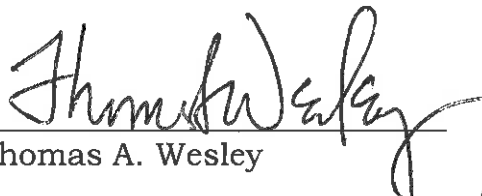
1. **Discussion with Hopedale Country Club regarding Lease Agreement**
2. **Negotiation Union and Non-Union Contracts**

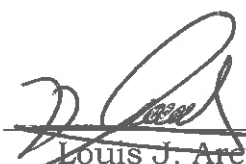
Chair – I am requesting a motion to allow this board to now enter into Executive Session and not to reconvene in regular session, under M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a) Reason (2): To conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with union and nonunion personnel and Reason (6): to consider the 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.

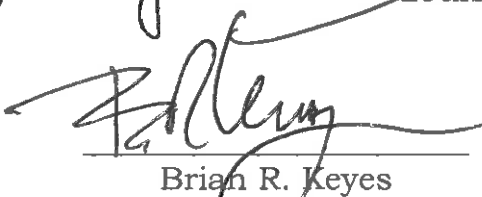
M. Adjournment

With no further regular business before them, the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting and convening into executive session at 7:58 p.m.

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


Thomas A. Wesley


Louis J. Arcudi, III


Brian R. Keyes

Hopedale Board of Selectmen

*MSDV = Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted

*RCV – Roll Call Vote