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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Board of Selectmen
March 8, 2021
7:00 PM

Call to order 7:00 p.m. via Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 880 4696 9191

Passcode: 460113

Pledge of Allegiance

REVISED

3:39 pm, Mar 04, 2021

A. Consent Items

1. Approval of January 21, 2021 Regular Minutes
2. Accepting the \$10 Donation from Beth Fox and her daughter, Brittany to the Bancroft Memorial Library (Letter Attached)
3. Rent Abatement request for Beyond Full for February 2021 (Letter Attached)

B. Appointments and Resignations

1. Promotion of Call Firefighter Candidate Justin Carnaroli to Call Firefighter, effective February 23, 2021 (Letter Attached)
2. Promotion of Call Firefighter Candidate Kristin Krauss to Call Firefighter, effective February 23, 2021 (Letter Attached)
3. Promotion of Call Firefighter Candidate Adam Kaminski-Miller to Call Firefighter, effective February 23, 2021 (Letter Attached)
4. Appointment of Brandon Deluca as a Call Firefighter, effective March 1, 2021
5. Appointment of Ken Wilson to the Finance Committee, effective March 8, 2021

C. Public Hearing: None

D. New Business*

1. [Expression of Interest for One Stop for Growth Grant Program](#); Voted by Planning Board 3/3/2021; Review Commitment Letter from Board of Selectmen Chair
2. Update regarding Town Counsel Appearance in Worcester Superior Court re: Elizabeth Reilly, et.al. vs. Town of Hopedale & GURR
3. Fire/EMS Proposals to be Addressed (Fire Chief present): Ambulance Billing Rates, Inter-facility Ambulance Transfers; Application for SAFER grant (vote)

E. Old Business

1. COVID Updates
2. Annual Town Meeting 2021 Warrant Schedule (vote)
3. Revisit formation of Open Space & Recreation Planning (OSRP) Committee per recommendation of CMRPC; To reform Open Space and Recreation Planning (OSRP) Committee, to be made up of seven (7) members; two (2) members from the Master Plan Steering Committee (MPSC), one (1) member from the Parks Commission, one (1) member from the Conservation Commission, and three (3) qualified members from the public. Terms are for duration of planning project.

F. Public and Board Member Comments (votes will not be taken)

G. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items (votes will not be taken)

H. Requests for Future Agenda Items:

I. Administrator Updates (In Packet)

1. MVP Workshops Scheduled
2. Freedom Street Dam Update on Road Commissioner Meeting on 3/10
3. Finance Committee Meeting re FY22 Budget; Board of Health, Parks Commission on 3/10
Public Safety on 3/17

J. Executive Session:

Motion: To move into Executive Session, pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a) for item # (3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares. Roll Call Vote

Purpose: Collective Bargaining; All units. Fire Chief present.

*Please note the Board of Selectmen agenda may be subject to change and items not anticipated maybe discussed.

Pursuant to Governor Baker's Order of March 12, 2020 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law (OML), G.L. c30A §18, and the Governor's Order of March 15, 2020 imposing limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Town of Hopedale Board of Selectmen will be conducted via remote participation.

If you wish to speak, please reserve comments until the Public Comment section of the meeting. If you are using video, you may either raise your hand to be acknowledged by the Chair or use the "Raise Your Hand" button. Please wait to speak until you are acknowledged by Chair. If participants cannot conduct themselves in accordance with these guidelines, they will be removed from meeting.

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