

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
Open Session
Wednesday May 13, 2020
Zoom Video Teleconferencing

The meeting was called to order by Christine Joy at 5:30PM. In attendance: Christine Joy, Mark Russo, John Traynor, Elizabeth Dennehy.

Voted: to go into Executive Session for the following purpose:
M.G.L. c.30A, §21(a) Purpose 2: To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel regarding Selectmen's Assistant.

Motion Christine Joy second John Traynor.

Roll call vote: Mr. Traynor yes; Mr. Russo yes; Mrs. Joy yes.

Open Session Meeting called to order at 5:51 PM

In Attendance:

Board of Selectmen (BOS): Christine M. Joy (CJ), Mark E. Russo (MR), John A. Traynor, Jr. (JT), Town Administrator: Elizabeth Dennehy (TA) and Selectmen's Assistant: Briggette Martins

Participants added to the call: Jon Wilhelmsen of the Plympton School Committee, and Plympton resident Paul Carchidi.

Town Meeting: The Board of Selectmen revisited the discussion on confirming the date and venue of the Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting. They agreed to keep the meeting at the Dennett School and confirmed a date and time of June 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. TA will secure the date with Principal Veneto. The election will be held on Saturday, June 20, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 pm. At the Town House.

Town Properties Committee: Two members of the Town Properties Committee have recently resigned. Jon Wilhelmsen is asking the Board of Selectmen to vote on reducing the members of the committee from 7 to 5. At this time, it is difficult

to recruit members due to the COVID Pandemic. Vote: CJ made motion to approve the reduction of members on the Town Properties Committee to 5. Seconded, JT. 3/0.

Town Administrator updates: TA gave an update on status of the COVID-19 stay at home advisory until May 18th given by Governor Baker. TA is working with the Emergency Management Team on a safe re-opening of May 26th for employees of the Town House. The temporary changes to the Town House offices to secure the safety of the employees has started. The Deborah Sampson Meeting Room will be used as a waiting area once the building is open to the public possibly by June 1st. The Council on Aging and Library will remain closed until the release from the state on a plan on how to move forward safely. TA is a working with Town Counsel on what is required to facilitate remote participation and what options the Town may have.

School Committee: Jon Wilhelmsen is attending the Silver Lake Regional School Committee after today's Board of Selectmen meeting to review cost cuts and review the school budget.

Approval of Minutes:

Open Session Minutes 04/30/20

CJ made motion to approve the 04/30/20 Open Session minutes as written.

Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0

Open Session Minutes 05/06/20

CJ made motion to approve the 05/06/20 Open Session minutes as amended.

Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0

Resident in Attendance: Paul Carchidi of 28 Forest Street shared concerns of a possible zoning violation on Forest Street. TA will ask the Zoning Officer Tom Millias to respond to Mr. Carchidi.

6:30 p.m. Motion to adjourn BOS meeting by CJ. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Brigette Martins