

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES

November 4, 2019
Plympton Town House

In attendance:

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

Meeting called to order:

- Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM and immediately went to Executive Session.
- BOS returned to open meeting at 6:00 PM.

Discussions and Updates:

- CJ read the Transfer Station's sticker policy. Highway Superintendent Rob Firlotte was present to answer any questions. There were none at this time.
- MR updated the BOS of the speed limit regulations. With Town Meeting approval the BOS will have the authority to designate safety zones with reduced speed limits.

CJ made motion to include the warrant article for the BOS to create safety zones throughout the Town at the Special Town Meeting. Seconded MR. Vote: 3/0.

- BOS discussed Special Town Meeting preparations. The Warrant will close on 11/18/19.
- The bid for the old jail cell was awarded to Ken Thompson. The bid received was for \$203.00.
- The BOS appointed Rob Firlotte as the Interim Highway Superintendent.

CJ made motion to appoint Rob Firlotte as the Interim Highway Superintendent effective 10/21/19. Seconded MR. Vote: 3/0.

- The BOS appointed Rob Firlotte as a member of the Emergency Management Team.

CJ made motion to appoint Rob Firlotte as a member of the Emergency Management Team effective 10/21/19. Seconded MR. Vote: 3/0.

- The BOS discussed the liquor policy and consumption of liquor in and on all town owned properties including land and buildings.

CJ made motion to adopt a no alcohol policy on Town properties, including land and buildings. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

- BOS liaisons were reassigned for the current boards and committees.

- Columbia Gas request for install at 22 Grove Street.

CJ made motion to approve the gas installation for 22 Grove Street. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

- Columbia Gas request for install at 8 Grove Street.

CJ made motion to approve the gas installation for 8 Grove Street. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

Town Administrator Discussion:

- Working with Steve Sarro to create a walking path for Library employees in the event of snow.
- Meeting to discuss fiber optics is scheduled on 11/19.
- Currently working on a plan on the significant rise for dispatch costs expected in FY21. The costs are currently at \$50K and estimated to rise to \$200K.
- IT health check is scheduled for 11/12/19.
- The new server is working and the email switch is starting next week.
- Appoint Chief Matthew Clancy as Deputy Emergency Management Director.

CJ made motion to appoint Chief Matthew Clancy as Deputy Emergency Management Director effective immediately. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

- Appoint Captain John Sjostedt as an Emergency Management Member.

CJ made motion to appoint Captain John Sjostedt as an Emergency Management Member effective immediately. Seconded JT. Vote: 3/0

Correspondence:

- Anonymous letter to BOS regarding traffic. BOS Assistant will be email to the board.
- Memo from Chief Silva on grant for \$4061.00 awarded to the fire department for tablets and accessories.
- The COA Christmas Holiday Event will be held at the Upland Sportsman's Club at 12:00 p.m. on December 11th.
- Mass lottery notification The Upland Sportsman's Club application for Keno.

Minutes:

- Executive Session 10/07/19

CJ made motion to approve the 10/07/19 ES minutes as written, seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

- Open Session 10/28/19

MR made motion to approve the 10/28/19 Open Session minutes as written, seconded JT. Vote: 2/0/1. CJ abstained from vote.

7:05 p.m. Motion to adjourn BOS meeting by CJ, seconded JT. Vote: 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Brigette Martins