



**BOARD OF
SELECTMEN
MEETING
MINUTES**

December 18, 2017
5:30 pm

Plympton Town House
New Meeting Room

5:30 Selectman Christine Joy called the Open Session to order.

Present: Selectmen Christine Joy (CJ), John Traynor (JT) & Mark Russo (MR)

By rollcall vote the BOS adjourned to Executive Session (MGL 30a §21) to discuss Purpose 2

6:00 Selectman Chair Christine Joy called the Open Session to order.

Present: Board of Selectmen (BOS), Christine Joy (CJ), John Traynor, & Mark Russo (MR). Town Administrator (TA), Elizabeth Dennehy (ED). Selectmen's Assistant, Briggette Martins.

6:00 Tax Classification Public Hearing Opened:

- The Board of Assessors and the Assistant Assessors discussed whether the FY17 tax rate for Residential, Open Space, Commercial, and Industrial and Personal Property Classes should be a Single or Split Tax Rate. The Dept of Revenue requires the vote by the BOS prior to setting the FY17 tax rate. The vote would determine the percentage of tax levy to each class of Real Property and Personal Property owners. The Board of Assessors provided data relevant to the Fiscal effects of available alternatives. The Selectmen are required to vote also on the small commercial exemption. This vote would reduce property tax on small businesses and shift the tax onto commercial and industrial properties. The Board of Assessors will submit the recap sheet to the DOR for approval of the tax rate.

Vote: CJ made a motion to approve the BOA recommendation to keep a Single Tax Rate for Residential, Open Space, Commercial, Industrial, and Personal Property Tax Classes and for the BOA to submit the requested form to DOR. Second JT, 3/0.

Vote: CJ made motion to not adopt the small commercial exemption, residential exemption and commercial space exemption. Second JT. 3/0.

Vote: CJ made motion to close Open Public Hearing. Second JT, 3/0.

Updates & Discussions:

- Application for the Green Community - pending
- Fire & EMS Study from MRI Consulting – pending
- Affordable Housing Plan edits were approved with the changes suggested by MR to delineate Cato's Ridge and Harry Jason Park.
- BOS made decision for the Town to remain in the automatic enrollment plan with Colonial Power Group. The Town will not be opting in at 100%
- The Old Town House Lease will be emailed to ED for review and editing
- Review "BOS Parking Lot" with Town Administrator

Vote: CJ made motion to dissolve the DOR Advisory Committee. Second MR. 3/0.



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Permits & License Renewals:

- Class II, III & Scrap Metal 2018 Renewals
 - Alby's
 - Angels Towing
 - Motor Sports
 - Plympton Cycles
 - Plympton Sand & Gravel
 - Plympton Service Station

Vote: JT made motion to approve the 2018 Class II, III & Scrap Metal Licenses. Second CJ. 3/0.

- Common Victualler's License
 - Just Right Farm

Vote: CJ made motion to approve the 2018 Common Victualler's License. Second, JT. 2/0 MR abstained

Town Administrator:

- Working with Fire Chief
- MMA Workshop 12/19
- Working with Town Accountant on the budget process for FY19
- Review policies with Wage & Personnel
- Job Descriptions

Correspondence:

- Warrants
- MMA Conference Registration January 19th & 20th
- MEGA Workers Comp Business Meeting February 15th
- Council on Aging appointment request
 - Patricia Mustacaros as Chair

Vote: MR made motion to appoint Patricia Mustacaros as Chair to the Council on Aging. Second, CJ. 3/0

- Fire Chief – email memo regarding Emergency Preparedness Plan
- Fire Chief – email memo regarding fire department furnace
- Letter to BOS – in support of Fire Chief Warren Borsari
- Plympton resident Robert W. Peters emailed letter of appreciation to BOS regarding Officer Doug Mazzola
- 40th Annual Preservation Award 2018 nomination form
- Plympton/Halifax Express 12/15/17

Dates to Remember:

- BOS meeting 1/8/18
- Town House will be closed December 25th Christmas Day



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- Town House will be closed January 1, 2018 New Year's Day
- New Monday Evening Hours begin 12/18/17 5pm to 7pm

Minutes:

- Open Session 11/27/17

Vote: CJ made motion to approve 11/27/17 open session minutes as written. Second JT. 3/0

Vote: CJ made motion to rescind vote on 11/27/17 open session minutes. Second JT. 3/0

Vote: CJ made motion to approve 11/27/17 open session minutes as amended. Second JT. 3/0

- Open Session 12/4/17

Vote: CJ made motion to approve 12/4/17 open session minutes as written. Second JT. 3/0

Selectmen Rants & Raves

Selectmen Vote to Adjourn at 7:35pm: Motion made by CJ. Second, John Traynor, 3/0.

Meeting Adjourned 7:35pm

Respectfully Submitted by Briggette D. Martins, Board of Selectmen Assistant