



OPEN SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

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CAROLE JULIUS, CHAIRMAN
DAVID SHEEDY, VICE CHAIRMAN
PETER SPAGONE JR, CLERK

TOWN HALL, 1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
175 CENTRAL STREET
EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

Members Present: Carole Julius, David Sheedy and Peter Spagone Jr.

Members Absent:

Others Present: Rebecca Johnson, Assistant to Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen

4:30 pm Carole Julius called the meeting to order.

Ms. Julius led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Selectmen were entering into Executive Session Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, § 21 (a)(2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel and to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, § 21 (a)(1) To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition, or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to move into Executive Session and return to open session, Mr. Sheedy seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Sheedy: Aye, Mr. Spagone Jr: Aye, Ms. Julius: Aye. All were in favor, 3-0

OPEN FORUM

APPOINTMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2021 5:00 pm Board of Selectmen's Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to appoint Alexizz Xavier as Inspector of Animals for the period May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to appoint Alexizz Xavier as Animal Control Officer for the period no designated term. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve the Police Department to hire Jeanne Bennett to work one day a week. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Chief O'brien stated due to reorganization Ms. Bennett will help assist one day a week with paying bills.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to extend temporary outdoor seating until the end of the pandemic for those filling out an application and approved. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve for Representative Michael Brady to move to amend the bill by inserting after the word "any", in line 2, the following word:- "trust". Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius stated this amendment is for funds invested by the Treasurer to only use "trust funds" and not other funds for the Town. This wording was recently use in the Town of Cohasset.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve for the Town to take over responsibility of Street light, Pole #14 on Elm Street due to safety concerns. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to authorize Assistant to the Town Administrator and BOS, Rebecca Johnson to request or receive funding on behalf of the Town of East Bridgewater for CARES ACT Funding. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to authorize Assistant to the Town Administrator and BOS, Rebecca Johnson to approve bills and payroll documents to be placed on the applicable warrant for payment. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve Town Administrator Employment Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius read the following joint statement. Mr. Noble and the Town have mutually agreed to end Mr. Noble's employment with the Town. The Town would like to thank Mr. Noble for his dedicated service to the Town. Mr. Noble would like to thank the boards and committees, department heads, staff and most importantly the citizens of East Bridgewater for supporting him during his tenure with the Town of East Bridgewater.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS / STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Johnson announced possible Board of Selectmen's meeting April 12th instead of April 5th. Ms. Julius stated there was a discussion to move meeting to close warrants. Annual Town meeting May 10th and Annual Town Election April 10th at the Jr/Sr High School 10 am – 7 pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, April 5, 2021
Selectmen's Meeting Monday, April 26, 2021

BOARD DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Spagone Jr. stated he will be meeting with Old Colony Planning Council to discuss their role on the Route 18 project. He will update the Board at the next meeting.

ADJOURN

Motion by Julius, second by Mr. Sheedy. to adjourn. All were in favor, 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm

Carole Julius Clerk
Board of Selectmen