

OPEN SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wednesday, March 31, 2021



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, Chris Kenny,

Town Counsel

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 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; Interim Town Administrator.

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

Ms. Julius stated the full investigation report is available on Town's website for public access. Mr. Chris Kenny, Town Counsel was present to provide final investigation report to the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen commended Town Counsel for their work and efforts and encourages the public to read it.

Mr. Sheedy made a motion for Town Counsel to take any action deem necessary to address any issues with Town personnel. Seconded by Ms. Julius. Two were in favor, 2-1 Abstain Spagone Jr.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to hire James Patrick Purcell as Interim Town Administrator, contract subject to funding. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

The Board of Selectmen looks forward to working with Mr. Purcell.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve Finance Director / Accountant job description. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

The Board of Selectmen all agreed this a great opportunity for the financial team as many other towns currently have one.

Mr. Spagone Jr. made a motion to approve posting of Finance Director / Accountant job. Seconded by Mr. Sheedy. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Sheedy stated the review committee is currently going through forty-three applications and will pick the ones that may fit the revised position. Once they make the final decision, committee will get back to the candidates to see if they are still interested.

BOARD DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Spagone Jr. stated he met with Director of Public Works, John Haines, Weston and Sampson, and Old Colony Planning Council regarding the Route 18 project. He stated the Recreation Commission will be meeting tomorrow to choose a candidate for the "Recreation Assistant" position.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Town Election Saturday, April 10, 2021 Selectmen's Meeting Monday, April 12, 2021

ADJOURN

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm

Carole Julius Clerk

Board of Selectmen