



OPEN SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Friday, October 1, 2021

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

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

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

Members Absent:

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

REC'D EB TOWN CLERK
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8:30 am David Sheedy called the meeting to order.

Mr. Sheedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

APPOINTMENTS

Bernie Lynch, Community Paradigm Associates was present via remote and gave an update on the screening process of the Town Administrator candidates. Mr. Lynch stated he has (5) five outstanding candidates, Maureen Candito, John Grande, Thomas Guerino, Louise Miller and Charles Seelig. He went over their credentials and background to make sure people understand the fit of the candidate in the Town. Mr. Lynch stated he will be collecting references for each candidate and that the Board will have all of the information they need to conduct the interviews on Thursday, October 7th.

ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve minutes of the August 30, 2021 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen's Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from the Finance Committee to appoint Lucia Longhurst as a permanent member to the Finance Committee effective 10/1/2021 through 6/30/2024. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

The Selectmen welcomed Ms. Longhurst and thanked her for serving the community.

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from the Housing Authority to appoint Brenda Kozuch as a Town Appointed Tenant Board member of the Town of East Bridgewater for a five-year term effective 10/1/2021 through 6/30/2026. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Johnson confirmed this appointment is new through the State and that the East Bridgewater Housing Authority did meet with Ms. Kozuch and recommended her appointment.

Ms. Julius made a motion to accept the resignation of Robert Peterson, Constable effective October 1, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

The Selectmen thanked Mr. Peterson for his service and wished him well.

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from Fire Chief, Timothy Harhen for the quarterly Ambulance Billing Abatements as of September 2021 in the amount of \$19,109.74. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from David Cronin of East Bridgewater LAX for the use of the Town Common and Town Hall Parking Lot for a fundraiser "Mum Sale", on September 25, 2021 from 10 am – 4 pm. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from Therese Giardini for the use of the Town Common for a "Wedding Ceremony", on June 10, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Johnson stated Ms. Giardini will have to contact Facilities Manager Brian Kiely one week prior to event for the use of the Town Common. She also stated a tent inspection will be required if a tent will be utilized.

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from Deana LePine of East Bridgewater Community Gardens for the use of Sachem Rock Farm for "Plot Holder Workdays", to lay woodchips and clean up around garden beds, etc. Events will be on October 16, 2021 and October 23, 2021 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Rain dates October 17, 2021 and October 24, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve temporary stipend for the Assistant to the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen until a permanent Town Administrator is in place. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Sheedy stated this request was per Interim Town Administrator, Jim Purcell prior to his departure. Ms. Johnson will be taking on temporary role. Stipend will be \$20 per hour up to (20) twenty hours per week.

Ms. Julius made a motion to designate Rebecca Johnson as the authorized representative and recipient to the Plymouth County ARPA program. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Johnson stated the Town has to designate two representatives voted by the Selectmen to submit claims and accept funds.

Ms. Julius made a motion to designate Melanie Dean an authorized preparer and submitter for ARPA funds to the Plymouth County ARPA program. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve application for the transfer of Common Victualer license. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

From: East Bridgewater Donuts, Inc. dba Dunkin Donuts
Carol Porter, Manager
204 N. Bedford Street

To: WB Season Donuts, LLC dba Dunkin Donuts
Theresa Baird, Manager
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INTERIM TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Sheedy thanked Mr. Purcell for his works and efforts as Interim Town Administrator and wished him well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Johnson announced East Bridgewater Garden Club "Fall Plant Sale" Saturday, October 2nd at Town Hall Parking Lot from 9 am – 3 pm. Rain date Sunday, October 3. Money raised goes towards a scholarship and town beautification.

Community Shredding & Prescription Drug Take Back Event on Saturday, October 23rd at The Center at Sachem Rock from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, 355 Plymouth Street. More info on Town's website.

UPCOMING MEETINGS – Subject to change

Selectmen's Meeting Thursday, October 7th – Town Administrator Interviews at 3:00 pm

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, October 18th

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, November 1st - Tax Classification Hearing with Board of Assessors

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, November 15th

Special Town Meeting Monday, November 22nd


BOARD DISCUSSIONS

The Board of Selectmen discussed the upcoming Christmas and New Years holidays. Per the Union contract they agree the holidays fall on a Saturday will be celebrated on the following Mondays.

ADJOURN

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am



Clerk
Board of Selectmen