

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Present: William Dowling, Chairman; John Margie, Clerk; David Sheedy; George Samia, Town Administrator; and Gloria Mitchell, Administrative Assistant.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Selectmen had a moment of silence for the Joe Miksch and Bob Alexander for the many years they have given to the Selectmen's Office and also other organizations and committees around town.

Open Forum

None

Action Items

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2017 meeting as amended.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016 Executive Session meeting.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the recommendation from the East Bridgewater Arts Council to appoint Madelyn Uzzo as a member of the Arts Council effective January 23, 2017 through June 3, 2020.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the request from David Trainor for the use of the Town Common on May 6, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for a wedding.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the request from Garden Club for the use of the Town Hall front lawn and parking lot on May 20, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for their annual plant sale.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the Agreement for Budget Review Consulting Services between the Abrahams Group and the Town of East Bridgewater.

John Margie mentioned that this was from the Operational Review Committee and was established by an article passed at the Annual Town Meeting in 2015 and have moved forward since new members were appointed. The bidding process has been completed and the Abrahams Group has been chosen by the Operational Review Committee with an estimated completion date in early April.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve to schedule a Special Town Meeting for March 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. to take place at Town Hall, 175 Central Street, 1st Floor Conference Room.

George Samia explained the reason for the meeting is to vote on a TIF Agreement that is in negotiations with the 47 Brand Company. The company met with the Selectmen on January 13, 2017 to give a presentation. The Special Town Meeting will be taking place in the Town Hall.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the attached Special Town Meeting Schedule for the March 6, 2017 Special Town Meeting.

Town Administrator Report

Mr. Samia mentioned that they are working on the TIF Agreement and the budgets along with some other projects.

Board Discussion

Mr. Margie congratulated the New England Patriots making it to their 9th Superbowl. Mr. Margie wished the Patriots good luck.

William Dowling would like to look into having something done about the intersection near Elmwood. He has received many complaints about how dangerous the intersection is. Mr. Samia stated that that street is in the queue up to that

point but did not include that intersection. Unfortunately, since that is a state road, the town really has no say as to what is done there.

M/Sheedy, s/Margie, motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Yes – Dowling, Margie, Sheedy; a unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm


Clerk
Board of Selectmen