

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

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

Oath of Allegiance

Open Forum

None

Budget Presentations

Veteran's Agent, Robert Charles, thanked everyone that works for the town for their support and reviewed the proposed FY18 budget for the Veteran's Office. Mr. Charles stated that there will be a 2% increase in the salaries and services expense but the veteran's services will actually be decreased by 6.96%. Due to the number of Veteran's no longer eligible for benefits, the Veteran's Office may be returning \$30,000.00 back to the General Fund from FY17; there are now only 22 people on the roles. George Samia stated that the Finance Committee has agreed to supplement the Veteran's Budget if the number of enrollees increases.

Conservation Commission Chairman, Claire Yocum, reviewed the proposed FY18 Budget for the Conservation Commission. Ms. Yocum stated that there is a 2% increase in the Budget which will include a little more for MS4 professional engineering. The Conservation Commission has been working with the Board of Health and will soon start partnering with the Department of Public Works in regards to their utility cloud program for inspections and monitoring.

Board of Health Chairman, Peter Spagone, Jr., reviewed the proposed FY18 Budget for the Board of Health. Mr. Spagone stated there will be a 2% increase in the Budget, which is for salaries and in Health Services. The Board of Health has been doing programs at the schools and the visiting nurse does some programs. Mr. Spagone mentioned that the contract for Whitewater, in regards to the wastewater treatment plant, is up in July and they are looking to take on more of the responsibility of monitoring the plant with the DPW and the Health Inspector to alleviate some of the amounts money in that line item. Also, the CVS Agreement has been signed and work on that will have to be done when school is out of session.

Department of Public Works Director, John Haines, reviewed the proposed FY18 Budget for all six divisions within the Department of Public Work which includes Highway & Land Management, Snow Removal, Fleet Maintenance, Solid Waste and Water Division; there will be an overall reduction of 2/10% which four are funded by tax dollars. The Solid Waste and Water Division have enterprise funds and are self-funding operations. The Facilities Maintenance Budget has been significantly reduced due to the Solar Pilot Programs. Positions have been moved within the DPW divisions to be more sufficient.

Action Items

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 meeting.

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting.

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve the following License renewals for the period ending January 1, 2018:

CLASS II LICENSE AND RESTRICTION

LICENSE #18

All Foreign Auto Sales & Service, Inc.

300 Thatcher Street

Restriction: 1. Thirty six cars maximum designated "for sale"
2. Lighting to be maintained

Hours: Monday - Saturday 8 am - 6 pm

CLASS III LICENSE AND RESTRICTION

LICENSE #2

John Ferri dba All Foreign Auto Salvage, Inc.

300 Thatcher Street

E. Bridgewater, MA 02333

Restrictions: 1. All dismantling of parts/cars to be done within a building or on a concrete slab with oil, gas and other fluids being put in barrels
2. A solid fence 8' in height on the front of the property and 100' back from street on both sides; entire property to be suitably fenced; all vehicles and parts to be stored within fenced area.
3. A 16' wide unobstructed access road shall be maintained 24 hours per day and shall also run from the rear of the building extending to the most southerly portion of the property. No vehicles to be stored or displayed within 10' of the building.

Hours: Monday - Saturday 8 am - 5 pm

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve the Amendment Application for Change of DBA on Alcohol Beverage License for Package Store - Wine & Malt License as follows:

From: The T. Sidker Corporations dba Tedeschi #330
Mohammad Nahid Parveg, Manager

To: The T. Sidker Corporations dba 7-Eleven 37460A
Mohammad Nahid Parveg, Manager

Premises: 52 Bedford Street

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve the Application for One-Day Liquor License for Center at Sachem Rock from Professional Bar Service for June 10, 2017 from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm for a Bridal Shower.

Town Administrator Report

George Samia stated that the proposed FY18 Budgets have just about been completed. Mr. Samia also mentioned the two Police Officers that assisted two residents with a flat tire during the snow storm.

Board Discussions

John Margie stated that in preparation for a State Hearing regarding 47 Brand, he learned that 47 Brand did purchase the building last Thursday and has started renovating the building.

William Dowling announced that the Sports Parents Group Run fundraiser will take place on April 1, 2017.

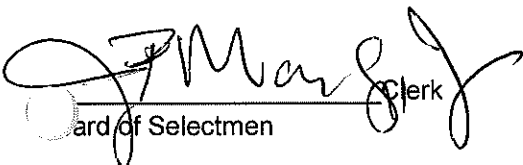
Reminders

The Town Clerk wanted to announce that the Annual Town Election will take place on April 8, 2017 at the East Bridgewater Jr/Sr High School, the polling hours are 11:00 am-7:00 pm.

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

VOTE: Yes - Dowling, Margie, a unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm


John Margie
Board of Selectmen