

OPEN SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Thursday, March 26, 2020

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WILLIAM DOWLING, CHAIRMAN CAROLE JULIUS, VICE CHAIRMAN DAVID SHEEDY, CLERK TOWN HALL, 1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 175 CENTRAL STREET EAST BRIDGEWATER. MASS.

Members Present: Carole Julius, Vice Chairman (remote participation) and David Sheedy, Clerk Members Absent: William Dowling Others Present: Brian Noble, Town Administrator and Rebecca Johnson, Administrative Assistant

10:05 am Vice Chairman Julius called the meeting to order.

Vice Chairman Julius led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Noble stated Mr. Dowling was not attending the meeting because he was concerned about the conflict of interest in resetting the Annual Town Election.

Mr. Sheedy made a motion to postpone the 4/11/2020 Annual Town Election and reschedule to June 6, 2020. Ms. Julius seconded. All were in favor. 2-0

Mr. Noble stated, the legislature approved a law that allows the Selectmen to reschedule the Annual Town Election. This is due to the COVID - 19 emergency situation. CH-45 S-1 of the acts of 2020.

He stated the hours of the Election will remain the same, 11:00am – 7:00pm at the Jr/Sr High School. Voter registration will reopen and use of absentee ballots has been expanded.

Mr. Sheedy made a motion to approve renewal of Property, Liability and Workers Comp coverage for FY21 with MIIA. Ms. Julius seconded. All were in favor. 2-0

Mr. Noble stated that because of the dollar amount this requires the Boards approval.

Mr. Sheedy made a motion to approve emergency COVID-19 policies pending legal review. Ms. Julius seconded. All were in favor. 2-0

Mr. Noble stated these polices relate to working from home and returning to work. He stated the unions have provided their feedback and the changes will be discussed and incorporated. Will the approval of the Board of Selectmen the policies will be adopted pending legal review.

ADJOURN

Motion by Sheedy, second by Julius to adjourn. All were in favor, 2-0

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am

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