

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, April 10, 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

Reorganization of Board

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, for John Margie as Chairman.

M/Margie, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, for David Sheedy as Vice Chairman.

M/Sheedy, s/Margie, a unanimous vote, for William Dowling as Clerk.

Mr. Margie and Mr. Sheedy congratulated Mr. Dowling on his re-election.

Open Forum

Veteran's Agent, Robert Charles, mentioned the Veteran's Group that meets at the Community Center every second Wednesday at 10:00 am and would like to invite all veterans to attend the meeting. Mr. Charles also requested that everyone keep the military in their thoughts and prayers.

Appointed liaison for the Old Colony Planning Council and Joint Transportation Committee, Richard O'Flaherty gave an update on the Route 18 Project and stated this is one of the preferred projects for 2019. Mr. O'Flaherty informed the Selectmen that he will not be seeking re-appointment to the three committees he is part of, due to time constraints. The Selectmen thanked Mr. O'Flaherty for his years of service on these committees and will have a hard time finding a replacement to continue with everything he does.

Town Clerk, Dina Livingston, gave an update on the town election. Ms. Livingston stated that there were 1241 voters and listed the positions that were elected.

Public Hearing

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to accept the lay-out as town ways:

PATRIOT CIRCLE- shown on a plan entitled: "ROADWAY ASBUILT STREET ACCEPTANCE PLAN FOR PATRIOT CIRCLE IN EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS PREPARED FOR THE TOWN OF EAST BRIDGEWATER PLANNING BOARD DATED NOVEMBER 1, 2016 BY SILVA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, P.C.

Appointment

The Selectmen reviewed the Articles in the Special Town Meeting Warrant. The Finance Committee Chairman, Chris Kelley asked for an explanation of Article #3. Mr. Samia and Mr. Margie explained that the analysis is a roadmap and inventory of IT equipment. Mr. Samia also explained what types of articles are typically on a STM Warrant.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve and close the Special Town Meeting Warrant as printed.

The Selectmen reviewed the Articles in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The Capital Planning Committee Chairman, Glenn Tattrie asked if the funding for Article #22 should come out of the School Lunch Revolving Account instead of Free Cash. Mr. Samia explained that there were two requests for the lunch tables, one of the requests funding will be coming from the revolving account.

Town Clerk, Dina Livingston asked what the amount was for Article #3. Mr. Samia stated that the actual amount will be put in the Warrant before it is posted.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve and close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant as printed.

Action Items

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2017 meeting.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2017 executive session minutes.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the recommendation from the Council on Aging for the appointment of Stephanie Williams as an Associate Member of the Council on Aging effective April 10, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote against, the approval to transfer the deed to the property which abuts the Northville Cemetery property, known as the original site of the Northville Schoolhouse, as recorded in Book #16848, Page 118, for the sum of one dollar, to the Northville Cemetery Corporation.

Mr. Samia explained the recommendation given by Town Counsel and the procurement laws.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the request from the Fire Chief for the quarterly Ambulance Billing Abatements as of March 31, 2017 in the amount of \$24,610.80.

Mr. Samia explained that these are ambulance bills that are not paid and need to be taken off the receivables. The Chief has been doing it every quarter to avoid having a big abatement amount all at once.

M/Margie, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the request from the East Bridgewater Community Gardens for the use of the outside at the Sachem Rock Community Center for the Springtime Kickoff on April 22, 2017 from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm with a rain date of April 23, 2017.

Town Administrator Report

George Samia stated that worksheets have been given to each department in regards to their FY18 Budget. Mr. Samia has asked each department to look them over and make sure it is correct for their department.

Board Discussions

The Selectmen wished everybody a Happy Easter and Passover.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm



Board of Selectmen Clerk