



OPEN SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Monday, January 31, 2022

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 (remote participation)

Members Absent:

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

4:00 pm David Sheedy called the meeting to order.

Mr. Sheedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

APPOINTMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

Fire Chief, Tim Harhen was present to discuss his request to use up to \$325,000 of ARPA funds for an ambulance. Chief Harhen stated the price has decreased and that a 2020 ambulance is available now. His initial request at prior meeting was \$371,000 with a three-year waiting period. The Selectmen all agreed this will save time and money.

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the request from Fire Chief, Timothy Harhen to use up to \$325,000 of ARPA funds for an Ambulance. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

There was a brief discussion on Saturday's blizzard. Chief Harhen stated his department had eight service calls, one storm related. He stated fifty-three residents were without power for about two hours on East Street. Police Chief, Paul O'Brien stated service calls were handled with no problem as residents took caution and were not out and about. The Selectmen commended all that were involved, especially the Department of Public Works for their works and efforts.

There was a brief discussion on ARPA Committee. Mr. Seelig stated departments looking for funding should not serve on the committee to eliminate any potential conflict of interest. The Selectmen all agreed any non-resident or department head / department representative looking for ARPA funds best not serve.

Ms. Julius made a motion to end State of Emergency from the snowstorm as of 4:15 pm on January 31st. Seconded by Mr. Spagone Jr. All were in favor. 3-0

ANNOUNCEMENTS / STAFF REPORTS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

UPCOMING MEETINGS – Subject to change

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, February 14th

Selectmen's Meeting Monday, February 28th

BOARD DISCUSSIONS

ADJOURN

Motion by Julius, second by Spagone Jr. to adjourn. All were in favor, 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm

Board of Selectmen Clerk