

**MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
GRIFFIN ROOM, TOWN HALL
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016
6:30 P.M.**

APPROVED

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Brown, Cebula, Hughes, LaMantia (participated remotely), MacAskill

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Administrator Christopher Clark, Assistant Town Administrator Charleen Greenhalgh, Chief Clarke, Chief Guillemette, Carolyn Carey, Richard Gunderson, Larry Cole, and others.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Hughes.

Chairman Hughes reported that the Board had just come out of Executive Session where they discussed the Town Administrator's contract for which there was no vote and the Sutphin property for which they granted an extension.

WEEKLY BRIEFING

Ms. Carey reported that there will be a meeting regarding fees at the Community Center on March 30th at 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Chief Guillemette introduced full-time Regular Police Officer candidate Ronald Ruggiero.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. All votes taken tonight will be by roll call due to remote participation

Chairman Hughes noted that Mr. LaMantia would be participating remotely and that all votes would be taken by a roll call vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Minutes:
 - 1. February 22, 2016 Regular Meeting
 - 2. February 29, 2016 Regular Meeting
- B. Confirm appointment of Ronald Ruggiero as a full-time Regular Police Officer as recommended by Police Chief
- C. Approve request for assistance from the Caleb Chase Fund
- D. Approve amendment to Lease Agreement with Hot Stove Inc. at Cranberry Valley and amended ABCC Form 43 to include service on 18-hole Golf Course
- E. Approve recommendation of the Building Commissioner to waive Chase Library sign application fee
- F. Approve Chapter 90 Project request for the reconstruction of Gilbert Lane
- G. Approve 2016 Long Pond Bass Tournaments

Ms. Brown moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Mr. MacAskill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Non-Binding Ballot Question regarding the Harwich Middle School – *discussion and possible vote*

Ms. Cebula stated that the lessee should pay all operating costs rather than just utilities as indicated in #4. Ms. Brown suggested removing “or sold” in #4. Mr. LaMantia disagreed and said it provides more options and makes it broader. Ms. Greenhalgh noted that the majority of the Board members wanted to include the language “or sold.” She suggested changing the explanation to “if the building and land were leased” or “the building and land may be leased.” The Board agreed on “if the building and land were to be leased.” Ms. Brown commented that it seems redundant. Ms. Cebula moved to include this non-binding advisory ballot question regarding the Harwich Middle School on the ballot for our May elections. Mr. MacAskill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Establish Fire Station 2 Rehabilitation and Renovation Committee as recommended by Fire Chief

Chief Clark said they put together an in-depth working group on this. He asked that the Board allow them to continue their work. He noted that the idea is to do a study of their needs and they want to add living quarters and another bay. Ms. Cebula moved to accept the charter for the Rehabilitation and Renovation Committee for Station 2 and that the current working group be the initial 7 members which she named as follows: Craig Chadwick, John Clarke, Norm Clarke, Sean Libby, Joseph McParland, Joseph Rego, and Scott Tyldesley. Ms. Brown seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/PRESENTATIONS *(Not earlier than 6:30 P.M.)*

A. Presentation by CVEC on new budget – Liz Argo

Ms. Argo explained that they have done very well in FY16 in adhering to their budget. She noted that their income is up and expenses are down \$62,000. She stated that they are reigning in expenses, mostly legal. She reported that the FY17 budget is in review and the information she provided to the Board indicates they are in the red by about \$83,000. She stated that they will return with an adder request for FY18 in the summer. Ms. Argo further stated that it isn't apparent but they had a reserve of \$250,000 which they will be able to survive on for FY17 and that they moved their office at the request of the County which added moving expenses. She took questions and noted that with they will no longer be able to bring new initiatives to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS *(Continued)*

B. Review of Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles – *discussion and possible vote to support*

Mr. Clark summarized the votes of the Finance Committee on the warrant articles and discussed timing of article discussion by the Board.

C. Town Administrator Contract – *discussion and possible vote*

Chairman Hughes reported that Mr. Clark’s contract expires on June 30 and the Board needs to take action by March 30 or the contract will automatically extend for one year. Mr. LaMantia moved to extend the contract for Chris Clark for 2 additional years, benefits and salary changes be dependent on performance evaluations. Chairman Hughes restated the motion as follows: to extend the contract for 2 years, to June 30, 2018, and any benefits and salary adjustment would be dependent on performance reviews. Mr. LaMantia confirmed that as being correct. Ms. Cebula seconded the motion for discussion. Ms. Cebula questioned if it is the intent that those discussions would be a Board vote and Mr. LaMantia confirmed that as being correct as well. The motion carried by a 3-2 roll call vote. Mr. MacAskill – No, Ms. Cebula – Yes, Mr. LaMantia – Yes, Ms. Brown – No, Chairman Hughes – Yes.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

A. Southeast New England Program for Coastal Wastewatershed Restoration Grant - status update

Mr. Clark reported that he has received word back that we have not been asked to submit a formal proposal for this grant so it will not progress forward.

B. Special Town Meeting Warrant opens on Tuesday, March 15 – Friday, March 18 (Noon deadline)

Mr. Clark provided a reminder that the Special Town Meeting Warrant opens on Tuesday, March 15 and closes on Friday, March 18 at noon.

C. Chatham/Harwich Intermunicipal Agreement

Mr. Clark reported that we have the Intermunicipal Agreement and they have made fairly extensive rewrites. Chairman Hughes asked the sub-committee to get clarification from Chatham.

D. One-liners update for Finance Committee votes on ATM articles

No action was taken on this item.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hughes adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Steidel
Recording Secretary

Related Documents - 3/14/16 BOS Meeting

- 01 Agenda.pdf
- 02 Minutes - February 22.pdf
- 03 Minutes - February 29.pdf
- 04 Police Appointment.pdf
- 05 CVGC Restaurant Lease Amendment.pdf
- 06 Building Permit Fee Waiver.pdf
- 07 Project 90 Request - Gilbert Lane.pdf
- 08 Long Pond Bass Tournaments.pdf
- 09 CVEC Budget Update.pdf
- 10 Non Binding Ballot Question - Middle School.pdf
- 11 Station 2 Rehab and Reno Committee.pdf
- 12 ATM Warrant.pdf
- 13 TA Rpt - Coastal Watershed Restoration Grant.pdf
- 14 TA Rpt - STM reminder.pdf
- 15 TA Rpt - One Liners.pdf