

Town of Bridgewater
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, April 12, 2016
Bridgewater Town Hall
Draft Minutes

Present:

Curtis Read, Alan Brown, Leo Null

Guests:

Josh DiBella, Austin Planz, Ned Bandler, Anne Marie Lindblom

Mr. Read called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Mr. Read made a motion to add the MS Bike Race to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Brown. All in favor, motion passes.

Request for Use of Road MS Bike Race and the Longest Day 24 Hour Race June 11:

Austin Planz spoke about the itinerary and details of the Longest Day Race. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the use of roads for the MS Bike Race and Longest Day Race June 11, seconded by Mr. Null. All in favor, motion passes.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes from March 8, 2016, Mr. Brown seconded. All in favor, motion carries.

Public Comment:

Ned Bandler addressed concerns regarding the posting of agendas for Board of Selectmen meetings in a timely and well publicized manner. Mr. Bandler also asked that the selectmen keep aware of some of the legislative issues in Hartford that can impact the town potentially.

Correspondence:

Carolann Dwyer – Burnham PTO requested the Town's assistance in the purchase of a sign announcing open enrollment at the school and that it is a school of distinction (see attached).

Mr. Brown made a motion to pay for half the sign (estimated \$250), seconded by Mr. Read. Discussion. Mr. Null said he would prefer to learn more about the specifications and design of the sign, Mr. Brown and Mr. Read concurred. All voted against, motion does not carry.

Bob Giesen – Regarding Region 12 return of refund balance (see attached). Mr. Read said he would share the correspondence with the Board of Finance.

Resignations:

Dave Peck, Police – See attached

Vacancies:

Inlands Wetlands Alternate – No action taken

Zoning Board of Appeals– No action taken

Appointments:

Mr. Null made a motion to appoint Ann Virbickas as the Treasurer's Assistant, seconded by Mr. Brown. All in favor, motion carries.

New Business:

Tax Refunds:

Patricia G. Cooper and Mortgage Service Center. - See attached – Mr. Null made a motion to approve tax refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector, seconded by Mr. Brown. All in favor, motion passes.

Tax Collector's Report: Read for the record (see attached)

Treasurer's Report: None

Capital Improvement Plan:

See attached. Mr. Read continued discussing with the selectmen a capital improvement plan for the Town. It includes rebuilding the Grange, installing sidewalks in the center of Town, and other town owned building improvements.

FY17 Budget Overview:

The selectmen discussed the development of the 2017 Fiscal Year budget. The ACE program requested funding from the Town to help support the program (see attached). Mr. Brown made a motion to grant ACE \$10,000 for operation assistance for the 2017 fiscal year, seconded by Mr. Null. All in favor, motion passes.

Bid Notices:

Discussion, no action taken. Mr. Read said that he would write up proposals for sidewalks and library repairs.

Organics Program:

The selectmen discussed various options in order to sustain the organic waste program in Town. No action taken.

Oil Tank Removal Update:

Mr. Read stated that the oil tank at the Peck House was removed and the contaminated soil was remediated satisfactorily. He also stated that several other oil tanks were removed successfully on town owned properties.

Other Business: None

Old Business: None

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 9:18pm, seconded by Mr. Null. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Josh R. DiBella
Assistant Town Clerk