

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
OF MAY 19, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.
BURNHAM SCHOOL**

Present: Curtis Read, Alan Brown

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Curtis Read, First Selectman.

Brad Goldstein nominated Josh DiBella as Moderator. Seconded by Ned Bandler. Josh DiBella was voted Moderator for the meeting and read the Legal Notice.

Dennis MacDonald moved this be declared a legally warned and assembled town meeting. Seconded by Phyllis Beauvais and so voted.

Mr. Read gave a brief "State of the Town".

Douglas Delisle moved to approve the Selectmen's budget as recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. The tax when set, which provides the monies for the budget, shall become due and payable semi-annually. Seconded by Harold Mayerson and so voted. One opposed. Motion carried.

William Stuart moved to authorize the expenditure and approve the transfer of \$97,000 from the Town's General Fund Reserve Account into the Capital Expenditures Fund for approved capital projects. Items to be voted on individually. Seconded by Brad Goldstein. Brad Goldstein moved to approve \$20,000 for a new metal roof on the salt shed at the town garage. Seconded by Colin Brown and so voted. All in favor. Dennis MacDonald moved to approve \$12,000 for a Kubota RTV vehicle used for sidewalk plowing & recreation area. Seconded by Roberta Sinatra. 2 opposed. Motion carried. Marilyn Curtin moved to approve \$65,000 for the Over The Rail Mower. Seconded by Molly Stratton and so voted. All in favor.

Brad Goldstein moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and expend any Federal or State grants for and by the Town of Bridgewater. Seconded by Alan Dinho and so voted. 2 opposed. Motion carried.

Lisa Burns moved to entertain a paper ballot vote regarding the vacancy position on the Regional School District 12 Board of Education. Seconded by Edward Wainwright. Vote taken. Motion did not carry.

Robert Gawe moved to elect a member to fill a vacancy on the Regional School District 12 Board of Education with a term ending June, 2019. Seconded by Harold Mayerson. Motion carried. Edward Wainwright moved to elect Douglas Delisle to fill a vacancy on the Regional School District 12 Board of Education, term ending June, 2019. Seconded by Mary Ellen Devlin. Brad Goldstein moved to elect Julianne Stuart to fill a vacancy on the Regional School District 12 Board of Education, term ending June, 2019. Seconded by Rebecca Mayerson. Both candidates spoke. Vote was taken, Julianne Stuart elected.

Maryann Goldstein moved to elect a member to the Regional School District 12 Board of Education for a four year term beginning July 1, 2017. Seconded by Cheryl Crossley. Maryann Goldstein moved to elect Michael Sinatra to the Regional School District 12 Board of Education. Seconded by Cheryl Crossley and so voted. 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Larry Neary moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into litigation with the Regional School District 12 Board of Education. Seconded by Harold Mayerson. David Bennett moved to table this motion. Seconded by Richard Jones. Discussion. Motion to table this item carried.

Motion to adjourn the Town Meeting by David Bennett at 9:22 p.m. Seconded by Dennis MacDonald and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Pinkos
Town Clerk