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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES (EXECUTIVE SESSION -A)

Present: Shawn Dahlen, Chair; Elizabeth Sullivan, Vice-Chair.

Absent: Christopher Donato, Clerk.

Staff: Richard MacDonald, Town Manager and C. Anne Murray, Adm. Assistant

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:35 PM.

## **VOTE TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon convening, Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining since an Open Meeting may have a detrimental effect on the town's bargaining position and to reconvene in Open Session in accordance with Mass. General Laws Chapter 39, Section 23b. Second by Ms. Sullivan. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Sullivan – Aye; Mr. Dahlen – Aye.

## DISCUSSION REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Also present for this item of business was Ms. Jeannie Horne, Human Resource Officer.

When the Executive Session was organized it was anticipated that the Town would have received the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Clerical Union for execution by the Selectmen. The document has not been received yet.

Given Mr. Dahlen's recent election, the Executive Session was used by Ms. Horne and Ms. Sullivan to updated him on the status of the collective bargaining negotiations with the Town's unions. Ms. Sullivan mentioned that Attorney Fernand "Fred" Dupere is representing the Town with respect to Labor negotiations and matters. Then Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Horne explained some of the contract provisions being negotiated with the unions.

It was decided to adjourn the Executive Session so that Open Session could begin on schedule, and then to re-enter Executive Session to completed discussion of some collective bargaining matters.

## **VOTE TO END EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:00 PM Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board adjourn the Executive Session and re-convene in Open Session with the intention of re-convening in Executive Session at the end of the Open Session. Second by Ms. Sullivan. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Sullivan---aye; Mr. Dahlen---aye.