

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday evening, March 23, 2010 at 7:38 p.m.

Present: Peter A. Hamilton, Chairman; Theresa E. McNulty, Clerk
George G. Samia, Town Administrator
Christine White, Principal Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointment

Town Clerk Marcia Weidenfeller and Town Moderator Robert Looney were present to review the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Each article was discussed. Motions were assigned and required attendance was discussed for each article.

Mrs. Weidenfeller reminded residents of the Town Election set for April 10, 2010. Absentee ballots are available at the Town Clerk's office. Mrs. Weidenfeller also reminded residents to return the 2010 Census forms sent to each home.

Action Items

M/McNulty, s/Hamilton a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the March 16, 2010 meeting with one minor typographical correction.

Town Administrator Report

Mr. Samia reported on the recent flooding due to heavy rains. Fire Chief Ryon Pratt is currently taking information from residents who have sustained damage from the flooding and wish to obtain assistance from MEMA. Chief Pratt is working with the state to gain the necessary emergency status in order to ultimately obtain funds to assist residents. No timeline or forms are available as yet for this assistance. The MEMA phone number is still on the town website and the community cable station.

Department Updates

Mr. Samia updated the Board on the discussions with the various unions on the proposed wage freeze. The fire department union met today with Mr. Samia; tomorrow the DPW, clerical and police unions are set to meet with Mr. Samia.

Reminders

Special Town Meeting scheduled for March 29, 2010 at 7 p.m. at the Gordon W. Mitchell Middle School; Annual Town Election is Saturday, April 10, 2010 at the Gordon W. Mitchell Middle School from 11 am to 7 pm. A sample ballot is available at Town Hall and online at www.eastbridgewaterma.org; Absentee ballots are available at the town clerk's office; East Bridgewater Hazardous Waste Day is Saturday, May 1 from 8 am to 12 pm at 234 Thatcher Street. A complete list of acceptable items is available at Town Hall.; The East Bridgewater Recreation Commission will be holding its 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 27th at 10 am behind the Central Elementary School, with a rain date and time of Sunday, March 28 at 2 pm.

Open Forum

Maryann Roan from the East Bridgewater Historical Commission's Elmwood Study Committee reported a change of date for a meeting originally scheduled for March 29th, which would conflict with the Special Town Meeting. The new date is Monday, April 5th at 7 pm in the Main Conference Room at Town Hall. Letters will be sent out with the new date.

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M/McNulty, s/Hamilton, motion to adjourn to Executive Session for purpose of contract negotiations.

VOTE: Yes – Hamilton, McNulty; a unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Clerk