

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 6:35 pm.

Present: Martin Crowley, Chairman; David Sheedy, Clerk; William Dowling; George Samia, Town Administrator; Cathy Johnson, Administrative Assistant

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Open Forum**

Open Forum opened by the Chairman.  
No one present  
Open Forum closed by the Chairman

### **Action Items**

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the September 22, 2014 Board of Selectmen meeting.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the June 9, 2014 Executive Session.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the recommendation of the Conservation Commission to not purchase a 61B portion of land located at 600 Union Street.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the request of Peter P. Spagone of the Skylur J. Spagone Memorial Fund for use of the Town Common on October 13, 2014 from 7 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for a 3.7 Mile Walk for Children.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the request of Dianne Kennedy Warkel of the Kiwanis Club of E.B. for use of the Town Common on Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 5p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for the Annual Christmas on the Common Tree Lighting and December 6, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for the Annual Christmas on the Common Event.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the request of the Historical Commission to appoint Margaret Alexander and Robert Waterman as Associate members effective immediately through June 30, 2017.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Yvette Ann Ringuette to the East Bridgewater Arts Council effective immediately through June 30, 2017.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Virgiiia L. Yafrate to the East Bridgewater Arts Council effective immediately through June 30, 2017.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, approve the request of Manny Famolare, Co-Director of the documentary of "The Bridgewater Triangle" to film a pilot episode investigating the alleged activities of the building, with the stipulations as follows: volunteer needed; no access to the attic; not open to the public.

### **Town Administrator Report**

Town Administrator George Samia updated the Board on the process of setting the Tax Rate; reporting that the Tax Rate is set and that the Town received a letter from the State in recognition of the Town being the first Town, in the Commonwealth, for have having the Town's figures in. Town Administrator George Samia stated that it is a testament to the Finance Team in Town to have reached this status.

Chairman Crowley made note of recent events, which he stated is a positive reflection on the Town and that there is a number of department heads, along with their employee's, who have taken the initiative to go above and beyond the scope of their duties, examples as follows:

1. Dina Livingston, Town Clerk and her employees taking it upon themselves to hold a Conflict of Interest Seminar.
2. Paula Woolf, Assessor and her employees for their work on the TAP program
3. Fire Chief Harhen for overseeing the 911 program
4. Police Chief Cowan for overseeing the SEMLAC program
5. Finance Committee Chairman serving on a state wide committee
6. Board of Selectmen Chairman serving on a state wide committee
7. Town Counsel writing a chapter for a manual
8. Treasurer/Collector, Erica Flemming for working on the GIS Program
9. Town Accountant Phyllis Tirrell for all her efforts with the budgets
10. DPW Director, John Haines working on solar programs for savings to the Town

### **Board Discussion**

David Sheedy reported on a Plymouth County Advisory Board meeting he attended regarding reimbursement discrepancies from court houses and other municipalities in Plymouth County.

### **Reminders**

National Candlelight Vigil for Drug & Alcohol Awareness – October 16, 2014 on the Common; 5:45 p.m. Coffee & Hot Chocolate served, 6:00 pm Opening Performance by East Bridgewater High School Choir.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Yes – Crowley, Sheedy, Dowling; a unanimous vote in favor

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

  
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Clerk  
Board of Selectmen