

A regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointment

Phil Woolf from the Fire Department was present and mentioned that the East Bridgewater Fire Department is doing the Toys for Tots Program again this year. Mr. Woolf stated that they helped over 100 families in East Bridgewater last year and is asking for the support of the Selectmen again this year to place collection boxes at various town locations.

M/Dowling, s/Crowley, a unanimous vote, approve for the Fire Department to place collection boxes at Town Hall and the Fire Department for the Toys for Tots Program.

Appointment

Susan Silva and Scott Allen from the EB HOPE were present to speak about the new program they have implemented called EB HOPE Substance Abuse Outreach and Intervention Program. Ms. Silva stated the program was started at the Gloucester Police Department and has been supportive in helping other towns implement the program with some modifications. Mr. Allen stated that they are trying to take a proactive approach to substance abuse and this program will provide resources to family members and people suffering from substance abuse. They have resources from other programs and will bring them together. This program will be available the 1st and 3rd Thursday every month from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Community Covenant Church located at 400 Pleasant Street in East Bridgewater and is open to everyone, not just East Bridgewater residents.

David Sheedy thanked them for what they are doing and to keep up the good work.

Appointment

Robert Looney, Town Moderator and Dina Livingston, Town Clerk were present to go over the Special Town Meeting warrant articles. Each article was explained by a representative that will be presenting the Motions at Special Town Meeting on Monday, November 9, 2015 at the Jr/Sr High School. John Haines, DPW Director, stated that Article 24 will be passed over at Town Meeting. Tim Harhen, Fire Chief, stated Article 25 has been amended. John Clifford, Town Counsel, explained that Article 30 has been modified in the Motion to add more detail to the terms of the School Committee.

Nancy Hill, Council on Aging Director, mentioned that the COA Bus will be available for transportation to the Special Town Meeting and to call the COA if you need a ride.

Resident, David Walsh, asked if the meeting goes longer than one night when will it be continued. David Sheedy stated they would contact to the school department to see when the school would be available if needed.

Action Items

M/Dowling, s/Crowley, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of October 19, 2015 meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Crowley, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of October 26, 2015 meeting.

Paul Connell from the Patriotic Activities Committee mentioned the Veteran's Day Parade that will be taking place on November 11, 2015. Mr. Connell also mentioned that the parade route has changed.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm



Board of Selectmen Clerk