

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Forum

No one present

Open Forum closed by the Chairman

Glenn Tattrie, Chairman of the Capital Improvement Committee was present with the Capital Improvement Committee's recommendations on this year's bonding schedules and capital projects. Mr. Tattrie presented the Board of Selectmen a list containing all Capital projects voted by the Committee.

The Board thanked Mr. Tattrie for his presentation.

Pre Town Meeting Forum

Robert Looney, Town Moderator and Dina Livingston, Town Clerk were present to go over the Articles on the Special and Annual Town Meeting warrants, explaining the votes needed for each article.

Action Items

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the May 11, 2015 meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the May 18, 2015 meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve, with regret, the resignation of Hester Reid from the Historical Commission effective immediately.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Sharon Dunn as an alternate to the Agricultural Commission effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the Contract for Project Management Services for the East Bridgewater Public Library Project by and between the Town of East Bridgewater and Daedalus Projects, Inc.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the Tax Increment Financing Agreement by and between the Town of East Bridgewater, Equity Industrial Partners Corporation and Globe Composite Solutions LTD.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the transfer of the Common Victualer License for Cameron's on the Green from One Putt Inc. dba Cameron's on the Green to Damians Corp. dba Cameron's on the Green, Bledar Hoxhalli, Manager, 436 Oak Street.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, approve the transfer of the Entertainment License for Cameron's on the Green from One Putt Inc. dba Cameron's on the Green to Damians Corp. dba Cameron's on the Green, Bledar Hoxhalli, Manager, 436 Oak Street.

Manny Leite, Library Director was present to give an update on the events at the Library.

Reminders

Water Ban Notice
Rabies Clinic

Board recessed meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Board reconvened meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mrs. Jennifer Kitchenham, Chairman of the School Committee updated the Board and the community on the student's trip to Paris.

Superintendent Legault and Ms. Kathryn Nickandros, EBEA President, were present to announce an agreement met, with the help and assistance of former acting Superintendent Gina Williams and Attorney Jaime Kenny. Superintendent Legault explained an agreement with the Teacher's Association, the Custodians, the Department Heads, the Assistant Principals, the Central Office Staff and with staff across the board, was made, with concessions met in order to continue to move forward in the district and to provide a comprehensive educational program, opportunity and access to all students, resulting in no layoffs, continuance of Music, Art and Sports and continuance of offering opportunity and access to every student in the district. Superintendent Legault expressed appreciation to Mr. Samia for his time spent and for answering all their questions.

Superintendent Legault expressed her pride in this agreement and stated that the Teachers did a tremendous job. Superintendent Legault asked the Board for their support moving forward and thanked all School personnel, the kids, as well as Chairman Sheedy, Mr. Dowling and Mr. Margie for their continuous support throughout the agreement process and stated, as a representative of the district, that she believes in the Town and will continue to believe in us.

Chairman Sheedy stated that Superintendent Legault did a tremendous job for the Town, with applause from the audience. Chairman Sheedy stated that parties cannot fix what was done in the past, that East Bridgewater is a Team, One Community, that the "You and Us" are different times and are behind us.

Chairman Sheedy thanked the former acting Superintendent Gina Williams for a tremendous job; stating that the Board "can't thank her enough."

Chairman Sheedy stated that the School had an attorney and that it was necessary for the Town to have one present as well and thanked Attorney John Clifford and Attorney Jaime Kenney for a tremendous job.

Chairman Sheedy thanked the Administrators, the Coaches, the Teachers, etc. for understanding the position the Town is in.

Chairman Sheedy thanked Mr. Samia for his patience and his expertise throughout the numerous budget proposals presented to him. Mr. Sheedy stated that the practices in this budget year would have brought down a lot of people and that Mr. Samia did more than anyone could have expected.

Chairman Sheedy thanked department heads of the Town; stating that they went through the process professionally.

Mr. Dowling expressed his relief when hearing of all town officials working together; stating this was a huge step for the Town and expressed his thanks, on behalf of himself and the parents, to the Teachers Association, the School Committee and School personnel for working together with the Town.

Mr. Samia explained that a plan has been put into place to include the School Department Facilities budget with the Facilities Maintenance budget for the Town; stating that this would put us in compliance with the Massachusetts School Building Authority overseeing the Jr/Sr High School project, as well as take the burden off the School Department.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm



Board of Selectmen Clerk