

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Present: John Margie, Chairman; David Sheedy, Vice Chairman; William Dowling, Clerk; George Samia, and Rebecca Johnson, Administrative Assistant.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Open Forum**

Assistant Town Clerk, Susan Gillpatrick was present to give an update on the Annual Town Election. Ms. Gillpatrick stated that the Annual Town Election will be held Saturday, April 7, 2017 from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm at the East Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School in the gymnasium. Nomination papers are available in the Town Clerks office for anyone interested. The last day to obtain them is Wednesday, February 14, 2018 and the last day to turn them in is Friday, February 16, 2018. Ms. Gillpatrick stated the positions available are Town Clerk, One / Three year position; Selectmen, One / Three year position; Assessor, One / Three year position; School Committee, Two / Three Year positions, East Bridgewater Housing Authority, One / Five year position; Trustees for the Public Library, Two / Three Year positions and One / One year; Board of Health, One / Three year position; Planning Board, Two / Three Year positions. Ms. Gillpatrick also stated that there will be a question on the ballot.

### **Appointment**

Town Council, John Clifford gave an update on the Hanson Land Public Auction. Mr. Clifford stated that the Town of East Bridgewater Public Auction will be held Wednesday, January 31, 2018 in the Main Conference Room of Town Hall at 1:00 pm. He explained where the land is located, the background, and how the Hanson Land was formed. Mr. Clifford stated that Information for the auction is available on the auctioneer's website and a link to the Auctioneers website is also accessible on the Town of East Bridgewater's website. He also mention the opportunity of a possible tax benefit that would come to the town due to the sale of these parcels.

President of DW Clark, Jeff Burek came to follow up on the status of the waste pile on his premises. Mr. Burek stated that last year DW Clark was approved for a BUD Permit by the DEP for the purpose of removing material. Mr. Burek stated that he received quotes from a couple of local landfills that had interest in the material but due to restrictions placed on the permit the pricing was more expensive than he had planned. He is currently working on an out of state option, in Rhode Island to dispose of the material. This will be a less expensive option.

Mr. Burek stated that currently DW Clark has 4,000 yds / 6,400 tons of material on the property. They previously removed 1,100 tons last year. He's committed to remove 300 tons or more a month over the next 21 months. He explained that he's budgeting 12,000 to 15,000 a month to remove this material. He also stated that monthly they add 30-45 tons per month. In addition any new material added to the pile will be removed on a monthly basis. The removal of the material is expected to begin in February.

Mr. Dowling stated that he has concerns on the amount of time it would take to remove the material. Mr. Burek stated that it could take up to two years. He agreed that it was a long period of time and he would try to accelerate the process.

Mr. Margie stated that Mr. Burek was sent a letter from the Board of Selectmen requesting funds for John Delano and his consultation services. Mr. Burek stated that he would send funds to continue this consulting service.

Mr. Sheedy requested that Mr. Burek send a letter with a written plan to the Board of Selectmen to make sure that this schedule is adhered to. Mr. Burek agreed to send this letter.

Resident, John Fabrowski expressed his continued concerns on the status of the pile and the timeline.

Mr. Margie stated that he appreciated Mr. Fabrowski's input. The Board of Selectmen plan to invite Mr. Burek back to give an update on the status of the pile in a couple of months.

Mr. Dowling asked Mr. Burek if he would agree to have the pile removed within a year. Mr. Burek stated that he would look into it and report back to the Board of Selectmen.

Resident, Robert D'Agostino, owner of Bobby D Motors extended concerns.

Town Accountant, Phyllis Tirrell was present for her contract signing. The Selectmen commended Ms. Tirrell on her dedication to the Town of East Bridgewater and her years of service. Ms. Tirrell stated that it's a team effort. Mr. Samia stated that Ms. Tirrell has an eye for the details. She knows Town's finances well and the Town benefits from Phyllis being here.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the Employment Agreement between the Town of East Bridgewater, MA and Phyllis Tirrell, Town Accountant effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

Ly Nguyen was introduced as the new Senior Clerk in the Board of Selectmen's Office.

#### **Action Items**

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2017 9:00 a.m. meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2018 9:00 a.m. meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve Application for Common Victualer License from Marco Dacaret for transfer of license from Johnny D's Restaurant, 31 Central Street, to Dacaret & Sons, Inc. dba Central Street Café; Hours: Monday-Sunday 5:00 am – 11:59 pm

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, the request from Professional Bar Services for a One Day Liquor License for Center at Sachem Rock for a wedding on March 17, 2018 from 4:00 pm-9:00 pm.

#### **Town Administrator Report**

Mr. Samia announced that he recently received a phone call from Lieutenant Governor Karen Polito, she explained that the Town of East Bridgewater was awarded a \$197,000.00 Bridge Grant. Mr. Samia explained that over a year ago an article at Town meeting was put in to reassess all roads and bridges in the Town of East Bridgewater. As a result the DPW applied for grants. The money for this grant will go towards a bridge repair located near Robins Street.

#### **Board Discussions**

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

  
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Board of Selectmen Clerk