

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, January 8, 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

Appointment

John Fabrowski, resident of East Bridgewater was present.

Mr. Margie stated John Fabrowski has been involved in all phases the of the Carver Cotton Gin Dam removal project over the past twenty years. From getting it started to keep the project going.

Mr. Margie explained where the Carver Cotton Gin is located, how the area has been cleared up, the water is running and the herring can now come up the river.

The Board of Selectmen thanked Mr. Fabrowski and presented Mr. Fabrowski a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Town of East Bridgewater for his dedication to the removal of the Carver Cotton Gin Dam.

Mr. Margie also recognized and stated the Board of Selectmen will send a letter of appreciation to the following for their help with the Carver Cotton Gin removal project: Alison Bowden & James Miller: The Massachusetts Chapter of the Nature Conservatory, Kris Houle: MA Department of Fish & Game, Matthew Beaton: Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Governor Charlie Baker: His office; Massachusetts State House, Craig Winsor: Resident and Deputy Fire Chief, East Bridgewater Fire Department, John Haines: Resident and East Bridgewater DPW Director, Standish Sportsman's Association and The Plymouth County League of Sportsmen, Jim Woletka & Jamie Haskell: SunCo Eco-Contracting, LLVC.

Mr. Fabrowski also recognized Karen Pelto, representing the State who he stated was very helpful in the beginning stages of the project. He thanked the Selectmen for this recognition and the recognition of all others involved.

Mr. Sheedy and Mr. Fabrowski spoke about the dedication of people that were involved in the Carver Cotton Gin Dam removal project, meetings that took place over the years, seeing the project coming together and finally completed.

Mr. Margie thanked Mr. Sheedy, who also worked on and had involvement in the project.

Action Items

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the Lease Agreement by and between the Town of East Bridgewater and Lipinski Farm for the term(s) of the Lease Agreement for one (1) year terms for a maximum period of three (3) years, with the first term being from February 2, 2018 through February 1, 2021.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the appointment of Adam P. Loomis as Constable effective January 8, 2018 through June 30, 2020.

Mr. Samia explained that this is non-elected position and is a non-paying position. This constable is not a town constable, he's a constable working for another company. He's appointed for the purpose of being able to deliver things to the Town of East Bridgewater.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve the recommendation from the East Bridgewater Arts Council to appoint Amy Simon as a member of the Arts Council effective January 8, 2018 through June 30, 2020

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, the request from Town Accountant to make expenditures in excess of available appropriations for the fiscal year 2018 in the DPW-Snow & Ice removal Account.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, the minutes of the September 18, 2017 Executive Session meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, the minutes of the September 26, 2017 Executive Session meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, the minutes of the October 26, 2017 Executive Session meeting.

M/Dowling, s/Sheedy, a unanimous vote, to approve, to rescind the vote to hold a special election on Saturday, February 3, 2018 for the purpose of voting on zoning bylaw in regards to Marijuana dispensaries.

Mr. Margie explained they've made the decision to move the election to the Annual Town Election on April 7, 2018 and put question on the zoning by law the ballot, which will be the final step in the process.

Town Administrator Report

Mr. Samia spoke about the Public Auction that will be held at Town Hall on January 31, 2018 at 1:00 pm. He mentioned the history of the land that will be auctioned.

Mr. Samia thanked the DPW job well done cleaning the roads after the most recent storm.

Board Discussions

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm



Board of Selectmen Clerk