

HALIFAX BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SELECTMEN MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018 - 7:30 P.M.  
SELECTMEN MEETING ROOM

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Meeting came to order at 7:30 p.m. with Selectmen Kim R. Roy, Troy E. Garron and Thomas Millias present.

The following business was discussed:

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board as well as those attending tonight's meeting stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to nominate Thomas Millias as Clerk.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to nominate Kim Roy as Chair.

Moved by Roy and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to nominate Troy Garron as Vice-Chair.

**AGENDA**

Seelig wanted to add a discussion regarding consulting firm for the hiring of a new police chief and Gordon Andrews resigning from the Finance Committee.

With the above additions, the agenda for Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, was unanimously approved.

**MINUTES**

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously approved the following Selectmen Minutes:

- Regular Session – March 20, 2018
- Regular Session – March 27, 2018
- Regular Session – April 10, 2018
- Regular Session – April 24, 2018

**AFFIRMED WARRANTS AND COMMITMENTS**

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously affirmed approval for the payment of the following warrants and commitments:

Payroll Warrant	# 101	\$ 363,208.03
Vendor Warrant	# 102	\$ 112,353.23
Withholding Warrant	# 103	\$ 132,790.20
Ambulance Commitment	# 5A	\$ 31,298.00
Ambulance Commitment	# 5B	\$ 21,905.00

**APPROVED WARRANT**

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously approved payment of the following warrant:

Vendor Warrant	# 104	\$ 248,093.27
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**APPROVED SELECTMEN BILLS**

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously approved payment of the following Selectmen bills:

Charles Seelig (FY17 mileage).....	\$ 345.47
Terminal Exchange Systems (Fy17 bill).....	\$ 520.00
W.B. Mason (3 frames).....	\$ 50.70
South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc. (FY18 services)....	\$ 3,500.00
South Shore Resource & Advocacy Center (FY18 services).....	\$ 3,500.00

**GENERAL MAIL / DISCUSSIONS**

Gordon Andrews Resigning from the Finance Committee

Seelig stated seeing as Gordon Andrews has been elected to the Halifax Elementary and Silver Lake School Committees he will need to resign from the Finance Committee. He recommends that the BOS sends him a letter thanking him for his service. He wanted to say that he appreciates all he has done over the years.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to send a letter to Gordon Andrews thanking him for his service to the Town.

Police Chief Assessment Center

Town Meeting has appropriated funds to pay for a consulting firm for the hiring of a new police chief. Seelig stated before moving forward the job description should be looked at. He is going to look into the MMA for 2018 job descriptions. Garron had no problem with proceeding with this.

FEMA Floodplains Maps

Seelig is still working on trying to figure out the difference between the old and new maps. There is review session on May 23<sup>rd</sup> that he may attend.

Use of Town Green – Congregational Church

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously granted a request from the Congregational Church the use of the Town Green on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for their annual church picnic.

Ambulance Abatement

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to approve Ambulance Abatements for April 2018 in the amount of \$25,295.28.

Insurance Overpayment Adjustment

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to approve an overpayment in the amount of \$94.33 from Harvard Pilgrim Health Care.

Plymouth County Advisory Board Reappointments

Moved by Roy and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to reappoint Troy Garron as Halifax’s Representative to the Plymouth County Advisory Board for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously voted to reappoint Thomas Millias as the Alternate to the Plymouth County Advisory Board for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

#### OCPC Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will be held on June 5<sup>th</sup> at Barrett's Alehouse in Bridgewater.

#### Commuter Rail Committee Coalition

The first meeting of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission will be in Boston on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Seelig is not planning on going unless the BOS wants him to attend.

#### 16 Cedar Street

The Building Inspector and Fire Chief have written to the owner of the above property stating that the accessory structure located in the front of the property has been deemed unsafe and cannot be used.

#### Police Officers & ACO Recognition

Former resident, Traci Almeida, has sent a note of thanks to Animal Control Officer Callahan and Officer McDonnell and Schleiff for their efforts in working with her family regarding a tragic incident involving her dog.

Seelig would like to relay a note to them from the BOS.

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to send a letter of thanks to ACO Callahan, Officer McDonnell and Officer Schleiff.

#### Pope's Tavern Project

The plans for the project are at the 95% stage with the intent that the project get out to bid this summer. The construction estimate is \$2,500,000 with a \$2 million budget and money devoted to the architect, project manager and a contingency there may be between \$1.7 million and \$1.8 million available. The Building Committee will try to have as many alternates as part of the bidding process but there will be a need to go to Town Meeting to supplement this amount.

Roy said that she is upset that we are fourteen months into the project and nothing has been done and that is getting over budget. She stated that the M&SBC needs to have their meetings on a night that the BOS can make it. Garron agrees with Roy. Seelig is also disappointed that FinCom and the BOS were not informed about this back in March.

#### Plymouth County Budget

FY2019 Revenue Projections and Budget for Plymouth County will be discussed at the annual advisory meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Seelig has given Garron a copy of it.

#### Monponsett Pond Diversion Procedure

MA DEP has declined to weigh in on the proper procedure to follow if Silver Lake is full and the Town wants more water diverted from Monponsett Pond. With that being said Seelig has asked the Central Plymouth County Water Commission.

#### SAM.GOV

Moved by Garron and seconded by Roy, the Board unanimously authorized Thomas Millias to sign the SAM Entity Registration form.

Cemetery Superintendent & Burial Agent Reappointment

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to reappoint R. Steven Hayward as Cemetery Superintendent & Burial Agent, with a term to expire on May 18, 2019.

Mayflower Municipal Health Group

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously appointed Pamela Adduci as the MMHG Alternate General Board member.

Pool Table License - The Tee Box

Moved by Millias seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously renewed the Pool Table License issued to d/b/a The Tee Box located at 284 Monponsett Street - Unit 205.

Line Item Transfers

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously approved the following line item transfers:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Town Roads #01-422-5245	Highway Expense #01-421-5245	\$ 1,000.00
Town Roads #01-422-5245	Traffic Lights #01-424-5243	\$ 1,300.00

Memorial Day Essays

The essays will be presented as follows:

Roy	Kindergarten recipients
Garron	1 <sup>st</sup> grade recipients
Millias	4 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> grade recipients

Capital Planning and Finance Committee Members

Roy has talked with the Finance Committee and they are leaning to having Daniel Zotos go on the Capital Planning Committee. She is going to see if Michael Zarella wants to go from Capital Planning to the Finance Committee. Seelig said he will contact Zotos.

Purchase Chapter 61A Properties – Wood Street

Seelig said he wanted to present an Article at Town Meeting but unfortunately he was not able to get an appraisal as the appraiser never got back to him. Roy apologized to Mr. Grew about the hold up.

Mr. Grew said that he has people who are interested in the land but they do not want to commit in case the Town wants it.

Millias said that he hates to tie him up but the BOS is obligated to the town’s people to try and see if it is feasible.

Grew wanted to let them know that said the option for the Town to buy the property runs out on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Seelig said they are going to continue to look into it as we have money set aside for the appraisal so let’s see what we come up with. Garron said hopefully we have something by the Board’s meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Grew said that is approximately ninety acres with a house and a barn. Seelig said that the Town might not be interested in all of the parcels. In closing Grew asked that they keep him advised.

Unregistered Car – Harrison

Millias stated that a few months back Mr. Harrison came in to get an unregistered vehicle permit and at the time when it was issued he was asked to put up a fence to block the vehicle. He has driven by there and nothing has been out up. Seelig said that at the time the ground was frozen. Millias asked if Seelig could send him a reminder.

Town Audit

Three firms have submitted proposals for the town audit. The proposals are being reviewed by the Town Account, Treasurer-Collector and Seelig. Seelig asked if the BOS wanted to interview all three firms. Roy seems to think the last time they did this the financial team did the interviewing and asked if that is the way they should do it this time. Seelig said that was fine.

The financial team would include Chair of the Board of Selectmen (Roy) Treasurer-Collector (Adduci) Principal Appraiser (Merry) and town accountant (Nolan). He asked if the team recommends a firm would the BOS want to interview them and they said yes.

Moved by Millias and seconded by Garron, the Board unanimously voted to have the financial team interview all three firms and choose one and then have the firm that is chosen come in and meet the Board of Selectmen.

Zoning By-Law Committee

Seelig still has not gotten anything in writing about those who have shown interest. Planning Board would like names by June 12<sup>th</sup>. Seelig said that he will get something to them.

Road Cut – 61 Plymouth Street

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously approved Permit #2018-32 issued to Columbia Gas of Massachusetts for a 4' x 6' road cut tie in & 4' x 10' road cut trench to install new service at the above location Street.

Road Cut – 26 Tenth Avenue

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously approved Permit #2018-33 issued to Columbia Gas of Massachusetts for a 4' x 6' road cut tie in & 4' x 10' road cut trench to install new service at the above location.

Live Entertainment – Salon Serenity Day Spa

Moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously approved Permit #2018-34 to Michelle Redican for live entertainment at 16 White Island on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business, moved by Garron and seconded by Millias, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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Thomas Millias  
Clerk

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