Holbrook Board of Selectmen Minutes of the Regular Session of Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Present: Daniel R Lee, Chairman

Richard B McGaughey

Joshua Reilly

Pamela E Campanella

In attendance: Pamela Holt

William Smith, Chief of Police

Stephen Hooke, Director of Communications Paul Digirolamo, Town Treasurer/Collector

Christopher Pellitteri, Superintendent Public Works

Chairman Lee welcomed new Board members, Joshua Reilly and Pamela E Campanella. Mr. Lee thanked previous Board members for their service to the town.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairmen Lee, in the Selectmen Noel C King Meeting Room, Holbrook Town Hall, Floor 3R, and North Franklin Street, Holbrook, MA and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION: Mr. McGaughey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Campanella for Mr. Lee, to remain as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Joshua Reilly for Vice Chairman and Pamela E Campanella as Clerk; motion carried (4-0).

National Public Safety Communication Week; April 8th – 14th

Director Hooke wanted to publically thank his staff for the hard work and dedication to the job. Chairman Lee presented a proclamation to the Holbrook Dispatchers on behalf of the Board of Selectmen.

Special Election:

Mr. McGaughey opened discussion for a Special Town Election to fill the vacant seat on the Board of Selectmen as soon as possible.

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Ms. Campanella for the Board of Selectmen to authorize a Special election; motion carried (4-0).

This item will be further discussed at the April 25th meeting.

MOTION:

Mr. Reilly made a motion, seconded by Ms. Campanella to grant St Josephs a special alcohol license from May 19, 2018 to May 21, 2018; **motion carried (4-0).**

HCAM

Zach Gorman gave a brief presentation on the new sound system that was installed in the Noel C King meeting room. He also pointed out that the PA system is ADA hearing assistance and that this project is now complete. Member thanked Mr. Gorman for his hard work and efforts on this project.

COA

Council on aging coordinator Cynthia Brennan was before the board. Ms. Brennan had three memos to present:

- 1. There is an opening for a permanent Van Drive and two alternate drivers. Ms. Brennan requested that these positions be posted.
- 2. Ms. Brennan discussed an employee who is presently working as a principal clerk at the Council of Aging and previously had received a \$250.00 stipend. Ms. Brennan suggested having this employee be a Special Employee. The Selectmen suggested increasing the employees hours as to not have this be a problem in the future.
- 3. Ms. Brennan mentioned that she had been before the Finance Committee to get funding for a fifteen hour a week assistant. She explained that she is does not have enough staff, with all that is going on at the council.

MOTION

Mr. McGaughey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reilly to increase the hours of the Principal Clerk at the Council of aging up to ten hours per week; motion carried (4-0).

Special Town Meeting:

Board members reviewed the articles for the Special Town Meeting. Mr. Lee, made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reilly to accept and approve the articles for the Special Town Meeting as printed; **motion carried (4-0).**

Citizens' Concerns

Resident Ryan McGovern of 30 Laurel Park had a few concerns that he would like to address the board on:

- 1. He indicated that there was a vibration lasting about 10-15 seconds coming from the Old Castle building on Spring Street. Chairman Lee said he would contact Old Caste Corporate office and get back to Mr. McGovern once he has made contact with the company.
- 2. Mr. McGovern asked that the board look into the handicap ramp in St Joseph parking lot at the entrance to the field. Superintendent Christopher Pellitteri will research and report back to the board.

3. Mr. McGovern was checking on the status of the two vacant schools.

Chairman Lee stated that they had just received the appraisal back for the South School and the Town can now move forward marketing the property.

Chairman Lee stated that the Kennedy school had just been turned over to the Town from the School Department.

4. Mr. McGovern asked if the Board had any updates on Old English Square. Chairman Lee indicated that as far as he knows they have all of their approvals needed, but suggested that Mr. McGovern contact the Planning Board with further questions on the project.

Susan Wright of 259 Union Street offered support of the Council of Aging and their future budget.

Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss strategy and conduct collective bargain with Union Personal (Police Sergeants) and to return to open session.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lee yes, Mr. McGaughey yes, Mr. Reilly yes, Ms. Campanella yes

The Board returned to open session.

Mr. Lee, made a motion, seconded by Ms. Campanella to execute a contract with Holbrook Police Sergeants from July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2021; motion carried (4-0).

Mr. Reilly made a motion, seconded by Ms. Campanella to adjourn; motion carried (4-0).

Respectfully submitted, Pamela Holt