

**MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
January 4, 2011
Executive Session Meeting Minutes**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roger Blanchette, Chairman
Stephen Cushing
Jonathan Henry, Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Dawson, Town Administrator
Debra Paiva, secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 p.m. in the Town Administrator's office.

Bay Watch Development

An email from Attorney Witten was reviewed and briefly discussed.

Litigation - Unemployment Benefits

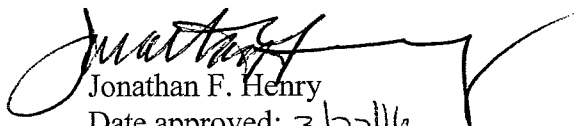
An employee of Emergency Medical Services recently filed for unemployment benefits after closing his business. The Town of Marion, considered a current employer, was assessed by Unemployment; Mr. Dawson said this is a fairly new occurrence involving employees of Fire and EMS. His stance has been to appeal these decisions and the Town has won most of the appeals but lost this one. The next step to appeal the decision would be to file a case in Wareham District Court, naming the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (Unemployment) and also the EMS employee as defendants. Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to authorize Town Counsel to prepare an appeal of the decision. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Collective Bargaining Strategy

Strategy for negotiating contracts with the ORR, DPW, Clerical, and Police unions was discussed.

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry at 8:50 p.m. to adjourn. VOTE: A roll call vote was taken, with all members voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,


Jonathan F. Henry
Date approved: 3/22/16

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