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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MEETING, MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**GLADYS L. HURRELL REHOBOTH SENIOR CENTER**

**Present:** Susan Pimental, Chairman; Joseph Tito, Vice Chairman; Lorraine Botts, Clerk; Michael Costello and Frederick “Skip” Vadnais

**Also Present:** Jeff Ritter, Town Administrator

**Absent:** Joseph Tito

**Call to order at 6:45p.m.**

**Executive Session:** L. Botts made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, litigation or potential litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares.

**Topics:** Licensing Issue

Second, S. Vadnais. Roll Call: Botts – Aye; Vadnais – Aye; Costello – Aye; Pimental – Aye. Voted 4-0

At 7:00p.m. M. Costello made a motion to return to open session. Second, L. Botts. Roll Call: Botts – Aye; Vadnais – Aye; Costello – Aye; Pimental – Aye. Voted 4-0

**1.0) Call to Order:** The Board and the public participated in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

**2.0) Consent Agenda**

**Warrants:** S. Pimental read the weekly Warrants: 14-13A, Withholdings, \$19,735.31; 14-14, Invoices, \$68,089.90; 14-14B, Payroll, \$75,333.23. L. Botts made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants as read. Second, M. Costello. Voted 4-0

**Minutes:** L. Botts made a motion to approve and release the September 30, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Second, M. Costello. Discussion: M. Costello noted a correction at the end of Page Two in that it should read J. Ritter instead of “He.” There was no objection from the Board. Voted 4-0.

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**3.0 Open Forum – Announcements:** The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 starting at 7:00p.m. in the Senior Center.

The Board has received an invitation from Bristol Agricultural School for a Fall Show Dedication Breakfast on Saturday morning October 19, 2013 at the school to honor the memory of Krista Paynton, Jeffrey Pavao and Robert Rebello.

**Town Administrator's Report:** J. Ritter reported that the Town Nurse position has been posted and advertised.

The Special Town Meeting Warrant has been mailed to each household.

The Board received a letter from AFSCME asking that the Town start negotiations. The Board agreed to designate M. Costello for Highway, S. Vadnais for Clerical, and S. Pimental will do both the dispatchers and the Superiors unions.

Free cash has been certified at \$815,042 by the Department of Revenue.

Work has started on the draft motions for the Special Town Meeting.

**4.0) NEW BUSINESS**

**Action Item #1: Update on Fixed Asset Inventory:** S. Pimental reviewed the current status of the fixed asset inventory list and reviewed with the Board specific follow-up actions. Each member should verify with their liaison department that the list is accurate. J. Ritter will review the revised list with the Town Accountant and that the most current information is included.

This item will be on the Agenda again in two (2) weeks.

**Action Item #2: Application for Antique (Junk) Dealer's License from Gary Jennings, Anawan Antiques:** L. Botts made a motion to approve the license application and to charge him \$75.00 for the full year since he has not paid for the license over several years. Second, S. Vadnais. Voted 4-0

**Action Item #3: Request from Gary Jennings to Place Signs on Town Property for Anawan Antiques:** L. Botts made a motion to approve the request. Second, S. Vadnais. Voted 4-0

**Action Item #4: Vote to Schedule Surplus Equipment Sale for November 1, 2013:** The Board asked that price comparisons be gathered from the scrap metal markets and consider pushing out the surplus equipment sales date until no later than December 1<sup>st</sup>. Otherwise it would be best to hold off until Spring or early Summer.

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**Action Item #6: Vote to Approve & Sign Chapter 90 Final Report for \$485,021.34 for Town Roadway Work:** L. Botts made a motion to approve the Final Chapter 90 Report. Second, S. Vadnais. Voted 4-0

**Action Item #5: Public Meeting to Review Town's License Fee Schedule for Licenses Issued by the Board of Selectmen:** S. Pimental noted that it had been almost ten (10) years since the Board last reviewed and updated the Town's license fee schedule. At the request of the Board Norton and Seekonk were added to the list of comparable communities.

S. Pimental asked for Public Comments. Michael Deignan stated that what other towns do is not relevant and that fees should reflect the cost of doing the administrative work to cover the license.

S. Pimental agreed and that the increases should not be too outrageous.

S. Vadnais agreed with the new figures based on his years of experience and issue with one license could far outweigh this increase. He noted that he had invited the Rehoboth Business Association to provide input and has not heard anything.

M. Costello made a motion to close the public meeting. Second, S. Vadnais. Roll Call: Botts – Aye; Costello – Aye; Vadnais – Aye; Pimental – Aye. Voted 4-0

M. Costello made a motion to approve the attached list of proposed fees which also shows a comparison to other communities. Second, S. Vadnais. Voted 4-0

**5.0) OLD BUSINESS: None**

**6.0) OTHER BUSINESS: None**

**7.0) OPEN PUBLIC FORUM:** Reuben Fischman, Rehoboth Ambulance thanked the public for the cardiac monitoring equipment which equals about \$25,000.

**8.0) BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORTS:** S. Vadnais stated he was working with L. Botts regarding the condition of the current animal shelter. They are looking at the condition exterior roof and having the Regional Technical High School complete the work on the roof.

S. Vadnais asked about the status of the speed limit sign on French Street? M. Costello stated he needs to talk with the Highway Superintendent and District Five staff as to the proper procedure.

M. Costello read a Proclamation from the Dighton Board of Selectmen congratulating the Rehoboth Police Department for their outstanding response in helping to provide medical attention to a child who was injured while skate boarding.

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Also, he asked M. Costello regarding the speed limit on French Street. M. Costello said he would research the matter and can report back to the Board.

**9.0) EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**10.0) ADJOURNMENT:** L. Botts made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08p.m. Second, M. Costello. Voted 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

J. Jeffrey Ritter  
Town Administrator

LICENSE FEE SCHEDULE - REVISED 10/15/13 TO BE EFFECTIVE 1/1/14

ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Common Victualler.....	\$ 1,500.00
Club License.....	1,500.00
Retail Package Goods Store.....	750.00
Veterans'/American Legion Clubs.....	500.00

WINE & MALT BEVERAGES ONLY

Common Victualler.....	750.00
Retail Package Goods Store.....	750.00

OTHER LIQUOR

Change of Manager.....	25.00
Transfer.....	75.00
One Day License Wine & Malt (per day).....	25.00
One Day License All Alcoholic (per day).....	25.00
Sunday Liquor Sales (Requires approval from Selectmen).....	60.00

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS

Class I (New & Second Hand).....	125.00
Class II (Second Hand).....	125.00
Class III (Junk Cars).....	125.00
Auto License Transfer.....	25.00

**LATE RENEWAL FEE (All Licenses).....** 50.00

GENERAL LICENSES

Antique/Junk Dealer - New/Annual.....	75.00
- Renew/Annual.....	20.00
Auctioneer - Annual.....	75.00
- One Day/per day.....	15.00
Automatic Amusement Devices - 1 to 4.....	50.00
- 5 to 7.....	100.00
- 8 to 10.....	150.00
- 11 or more.....	500.00
Seven Day Entertainment License.....	50.00
Common Victualler.....	25.00
Pool Table - Fee per table.....	20.00
Hawkers and Peddlers.....	50.00
Fortune Teller.....	50.00
Livery License (per vehicle fee).....	25.00
Transient Vendor.....	50.00

AST LICENSE

Above Ground Gas Storage - renewed by Town Clerk	
1st 10,000 Gallons.....	20.00
Each additional 1,000 gallons.....	4.00
Renewal - 1st 10,000 gallons.....	10.00
- Each additional 1,000 gallons.....	4.00

ROAD UTILITY LICENSE FEE

Minimum Fee.....	25.00
\$ 1.00 to \$ 99,999.99	2% of cost of construction
\$ 100,000.00 to \$ 499,999.99	1½% of cost of construction
\$ 500,000.00 to \$ 999,999.99	1% of cost of construction
\$ 1,000,000.00 to \$9,999,999.99	¾% of cost of construction
\$10,000,000.00 and up	½% of cost of construction

GRAVEL FEE PERMIT

More than 15,000 cubic yards.....	100.00
Less than 15,000 cubic yards.....	25.00

**ROAD CURB CUT FEE**..... 75.00