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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 28, 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

Call to order at 6:00p.m.

Executive Session: At 6:00p.m. on a motion by Selectman L. Botts, seconded by Selectman J. Tito, it was voted by roll call to enter into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or 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; (6) to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body.

Topics of Discussion: Litigation updates regarding all open matters with Town Counsel, Jay Talerman and 366 Winthrop Street.

Roll call Vote: Botts – Aye; Costello – Aye; Vadnais – Aye; Tito – Aye; Pimental – Aye. Voted 5-0

At 7:09p.m. M. Costello made a motion to exit Executive Session and to reconvene the open meeting of the Board of Selectmen. Seconded, J. Tito.

Roll call vote: Botts – Aye; Costello – Aye; Vadnais – Aye; Tito – Aye; Pimental – Aye. Voted 5-0

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. J. Tito made a motion to approve the weekly Warrants, 13-46A Withholdings, \$19,549.99; 13-47B, Payroll, \$83,664.11; 13-47, Invoices, \$12,543.08 and 13-47R Refunds, \$22,924.04. Second, L. Botts. Voted 5-0

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Minutes: L. Botts made a motion to approve and release the Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2013. Second, S. Vadnais. Voted 4-0-1 (Tito)

L. Botts made a motion to approve and release the Meeting Minutes from May 20, 2013. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

3.0 Open Forum – Announcements: L. Botts reported there is a new business in Town called the Cheeky Hound, LLC.

Maureen Whittemore from the Rehoboth Cultural Council reported that on Sunday, June 2nd the Carpenter Museum will be presented with a Gold Star Award and the public is welcome to attend and participate.

S. Pimental stated the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen would be held on Monday, June 3, 2013 starting at 7:00p.m. However, she wondered if the Board would agree to skipping the first Monday throughout the Summer months? There was no objection.

Therefore, the next regular meeting of the Board will be on Monday, June 10, 2013 starting at 7:00p.m.

Town Administrator's Report:

National Grid Meeting: Joe Cardinal from National Grid has agreed to meet with the Board on Monday, June 10th. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an update on the anticipated upgrade to the Rt. 44 electrical service and the substation equipment currently in use.

FEMA Blizzard Kickoff Meeting: There was a staff meeting today with a representative from FEMA to review the initial damage reports from the February 8th & 9th blizzard event.

Police Superiors Contract: The final edits are being implemented on the Contract and it should be ready for the Board to sign at your next meeting.

Bid Openings Update: The Public Safety Building chain link fence bids will be opened this Thursday at noon. The solid waste recyclable bids will be opened this Thursday at 1:00p.m. The landfill large scale solar array project will be opened this Friday at 11:00a.m.

Economic Development Committee: The next meeting of the Economic Development Committee will be this Thursday at 6:30p.m. in the Senior Center.

ProShred: The vendor for shredding will be at the town Hall next Tuesday morning.

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Access Computer Training: The staff will be attending a training session on the use of Access which is a computer program as part of the Microsoft Suite software package. The training is scheduled for June 19th.

Future Agenda Items: J. Ritter reviewed Agenda items for next week with the Board.

4.0) NEW BUSINESS

Action Item #1: Annual Performance Review – Jeff Ritter: S. Vадnais stated based on his time with the Board he would rank J. Ritter above average scores. He also appreciated the time he has devoted by becoming part of the community.

M. Costello said he also gave J. Ritter above average scores across the Board.

J. Tito stated he appreciated the efforts J. Ritter has put into the Town and his commitment to stay out of the political fray and out of the “sandbox.” He also gave J. Ritter above average scores.

L. Botts said she gave three outstandings and one above average scores. She stated it was appreciated how he pursued the \$115,000 from Crown Castle and received it on behalf of the Town.

S. Pimental state she too gave J. Ritter to fives and two threes. She suggested looking at his staff to see how he could delegate more projects to free up more of his time.

J. Ritter thanks the Board and credited any success to his staff and all the Town employees who are always making him look good. He looked forward to continuing his relationship with the Town.

Action Item #2: Resignation of Thersea Dupre: J. Tito made a motion to accept the resignation from Therea Dupre from the Information Technology Advisory Committee with regrets. Second, L. Botts. Voted 5-0

Action Item #3: One Day Liquor Licenses (Four Licenses): L. Botts made a motion to approve and sign an application for a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for Barbara Howlett, Newport Catering dba Glorius Affiars, 926 Aquidnick Avenue, Middletown, R.I. 02842 for an event to be held at Five Bridge Inn, 152 Pine Street in Rehoboth on June 8, 2013 from 5:00p.m. – 11:00p.m. for a wedding. Second, S. Vадnais. Voted 5-0

L. Botts made a motion to approve and sign an application for a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for Carol C. Marcil, Young’s Caterers, Inc. 364 Newman Avenue, Seekonk, MA 02771 for an event to be held at Five Bridge Inn, 152 Pine Street in Rehoboth on July 13, 2013 from 4:00p.m. – 11:00p.m. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

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L. Botts made a motion to approve and sign an application for a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for Carol C. Marcil, Young's Caterers, Inc. 364 Newman Avenue, Seekonk, MA 02771 for events to be held at Country Gardens, 339 Tremont Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769:

Jun 1, 2013	5:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Fundraiser
June 9, 2013	5:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Company Outing
June 14, 2013	5:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
June 15, 2013	5:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
June 19, 2013	6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Fundraiser
June 22, 2013	6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
June 23, 2013	2:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.	Wedding
June 29, 2013	5:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
July 5, 2013	4:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
July 6, 2013	4:00p.m. - 10:00p.m.	Wedding
July 12, 2013	4:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding
July 19, 2013	4:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.	Wedding

Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

L. Botts made a motion to approve and sign an application for a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for James Sine IV, Rumford Hunting & Fishing Club, 165 Providence Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769 for events to be held on June 2, 2013, July 27, 2013, and September 7, 2013 from 12:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. with the following restrictions, the firing range to be closed during the sale of alcoholic beverages. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

Action Item #4: Budget Amendments: L. Botts made a motion to reduce budget line item 012203-55802 Fire Hose & Pump Repair & Maintenance in the amount of \$450.00 and to increase budget line item 012203-55801 Fire Turnout Gear & Fire Fighting Equipment in the amount of \$450.00. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

L. Botts made a motion to reduce budget line item 014273-54120 Board of Selectmen Diesel Town Vehicles in the amount of \$630.00 and to increase budget line item 014273-54111 Board of Selectmen Gasoline Town Vehicle in the amount of \$630.00. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

L. Botts made a motion to reduce budget line item 011253-53820 Board of Selectmen Contracted Services Pet Control in the amount of \$100.00 and to increase budget line item 011253-52981 Board of Selectmen Contracted Services Fire/Burglar \$100.00 in the amount of \$100.00. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

L. Botts made a motion to reduce budget line item 011243-57310 Board of Selectmen Expense Dues in the amount of \$684.00 and to increase budget line item 011243-57110 Board of Selectmen Administrator Expense Mileage in the amount of \$684.00. Second, J. Tito. Voted 5-0

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Action Item #5: Wheeler Street: M. Costello provided an overview of the project to date. Given the bridge was a town owned structure and was wiped out by a tropical storm several years ago the estimated cost for the engineering part to solve the problem is starting at \$244,000 and the Town's on the hook for another \$150,000 the Commonwealth and the Federal government would pay for the rest of the project which is estimated to be over a million dollars.

The flow that goes through the culvert can't be altered. The cost to discontinue or to abandoned that section of Wheeler Street is estimated at around \$100,000 which could be funded by Chapter 90 funds.

Action Item #6: Appointments & Reappointments: The Board agreed to complete the reappointment process by June 24th. S. Vadnais brought up the issues of constables and recommended that the board keep it as it is in that there should be two constables appointed by the Selectmen.

Action Item #7: Code Red System: J. Ritter asked that this item be tabled until the next meeting given there was a sudden conflict with Nicole Callahan, from the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department.

Action Item #8: Holy Ghost Roadway Access Request: L. Botts made a motion to approve a request from the Holy Ghost Brotherhood of Charity for permission to access Town roadways on August 17, 2013 and August 18, 2013 for the annual procession. Second, J. Tito. It was noted the request has been approved by Lt. Trombetta and Chief Pray. Voted 5-0

Action Item #9: Common Victualler's License (Uncle Ed's): J. Tito made a motion to approve and grant a Common Victualler's license for Unlce Ed's Front Porch, Inc. as a late renewal application from John Skurchak. Second, L. Botts. Voted 5-0

5.0) OLD BUSINESS

Action Item #1: Local Broadcast Access Update: None

6.0) OTHER BUSINESS: None

7.0) OPEN PUBLIC FORUM: None

8.0) BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORTS: J. Tito thanks Bill Saunders for helping to make the Memorial Day parade such a success. There will be an open house for the marching band on June 5th. He also noted that today was his wedding anniversary and publicly thanked his wife of twenty-eight years.

L. Botts said there would be a resignation from the Personnel Board and that the renovations at Dunkin Donuts was looking great.

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S. Pimental noted the wonderful success of the Massachusetts Scholars and leadership award program. In particular Billy Davis who is a fine example of an outstanding young person.

9.0) EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

10.0) ADJOURNMENT: J. Tito made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36p.m. Second, L. Botts. Voted 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

J. Jeffrey Ritter
Town Administrator