

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2015  
SHEPARD MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

PRESENT: David A. Delanski, Chairman, Robert E. Lavash, Sr. Vice-Chairman, Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

ATTENDEES: See list (attached)

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**Chairman Delanski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance in the Selectmen's Meeting Room in the Shepard Municipal Building.**

Chairman Delanski announced that tonight's meeting was being both video and audio taped and requested anyone in the audience to disclose if they are recording tonight's meeting. Audience member Michael Baril acknowledged he was both video/audio recording.

Chairman Delanski acknowledged a guest in the audience, Mr. Tyler L. Wolanin, District Director for the office of Senator Anne M. Gobi. Mr. Wolanin was here on behalf of Senator Gobi and addressed the Board and audience with a citation from the Massachusetts State Senate to Congratulate Mr. Delanski on his years of service and to wish him well in his retirement. Mr. Delanski on behalf of the Board extended its Congratulations to Senator Gobi on her recent nuptials.

Mr. Wolanin provided the Board with some business cards and spoke briefly that he holds office hours in Town to hear concerns from residents.

**MINUTES**

None:

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Nardi remarked jokingly that the new chairs were in place.

**COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

Ms. Sue Como thanked the Board for the new chairs in the meeting room. The old chairs have been placed with other at the Town Hall. Some miscellaneous chair that had been in the room is being utilized in the CERT room.

Mr. Stanley Soltys – has about eight questions for the Board.

1- Confirmed meeting at Town Hall (Chimes) for May 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM- Board asked to be reminded.

2- Asked that approved meeting minutes of March 7<sup>th</sup> be posted.

3- Following up on who purchased the vehicles at the Copart Auction. Mr. Delanski stated the Chief was not available when he called - however he will continue to make inquiry.

4 – What action has been taken on the Highway sticker situation? Mr. Delanski stated that the Board would have a work meeting next week and meeting on that matter.

5-Brush fire in town, which was disastrous – what action will be taken? Delanski responded that action had been taken; he spoke to Fire Chief and Accountant earlier. The party involved has been fined the maximum \$100.00 and has agreed to cover the costs of the damaged hoses. Mr. James Gagner remarked that the hoses have been purchased and the brush truck is fully operational.

6-Action taken on the next Auction – vehicles and property, last years' auctions netted funds. Board is not aware of any vehicles available for auction Mr. Lavash nothing scheduled at this point, there is no properties with buildings available,

any residuals from prior auctions not formidable for auction at this time and would not be cost effective to cover auction fees. There were some discussions on regarding offering properties to abutters.  
7-Videos of last meeting not replayed correctly. Mr. Delanski believes that Mr. Kuprycz was away and will ask that a full replay be rescheduled.

Ms. Soltys inquired about surplus equipment. The Board, following Town Meeting if the Board wishes, send out memorandum to all departments asking if they have any surplus equipment that can be sold at auction to raise monies. The Board can make that determination at that time. There was a discussion about using old business in the Agenda to bring responses to inquiries made at prior meetings. The Board acknowledged Ms. Soltys' frustration, to answer her question some requests/inquiries take time.

Mr. Michael Baril asked the Board, with the new chairs in place, would there be any objection to placement of his recording camera. Mr. Delanski had no concern tonight, moving forward it would be the discretion of the Chairman as to placement and use of town power; he cannot answer for the next Chairman. Mr. Baril addressed a secondary question to Mr. Nardi regarding Mr. Corriveau probation, did the Board have any communications to authorities surrounding Mr. Corriveau and his attendance at a BOS meeting. Mr. Nardi acknowledged speaking with the Police Chief the following day- he was asked a question and he answered. Mr. Delanski remarked no requests/communications were made by the Board to take any action.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None:

#### **APPROVE/SIGN STM/ATM WARRANTS**

Motion to approve and sign the Special and Annual Town meeting warrants, made by Mr. Lavash; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

#### **CDBG – PLEASANT ST- PVPC RECOMMENDATION & AWARD NOTICE**

Board reviewed recommendations from PVPC and Lenard Engineering to award bid to Pioppi Construction. Motion to accept and sign notice of award to Pioppi Construction, Inc., made by Mr. Lavash; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

#### **APPROVE/SIGN CONTRACT FOR PORTICO SERVICES**

Motion to accept and sign contract between the Town and Stidsen Masonry, Inc. for repairs to Town Hall Portico, made by Mr. Lavash; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

#### **PATROLMAN UNION CONTRACT – (PENDING WPA APPROVAL)**

Mr. Delanski announced that the Board and the Warren Police Union had come to an agreement on a new three year contract for the police effective dates July 2015-June 2018. There was brief discussion on the impact to the FY16 budget. There was some discussion on the key points and notes for future discussion in three years. The Board announced that copies of the new contract would be available upon request. Motion to accept and sign the three year contract between the Town and Warren Police Union, made by Mr. Lavash; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

#### **TREASURY WARRANT(S) AND INVOICES**

Motion to accept warrant # 86 (payroll) and #87 (vendor) dated April 20, 2015 in the amounts of \$33,385.31 and \$22,879.96 respectively was made by Mr. Nardi; Second: Mr. Lavash – unanimous

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Lavash remarked the work on the Portico is moving forward; the committee has pricing on the door replacement and they will be working on the pricing for the vapor barrier for the cellar area.

Mr. Nardi read a proclamation from State Representative Todd Smola, thanking Mr. Delanski for his service to the community and country. Representative Smola was not able to attend tonight due to another commitment. Mr. Nardi

read a short message to Mr. Delanski remarking on his service of two 12 year terms and the many contributions he has made throughout the years. Mr. Nardi presented Mr. Delanski with a flag in recognition.

Mr. Delanski acknowledged this was his last meeting as a Selectboard member, reading a short personal message to everyone. He gave recognition to his wife, Kathleen of 43 years and her continued support during his two terms, he expressed his gratitude to all Selectboard members with whom he has served. His biggest debt owed to the residents of Warren is the prayers said on his behalf following his 5 way bypass and subsequent infection. He offered a sincere "Thank you" to all.

Mr. Nardi reminded all of the Candidate's night on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Next scheduled meeting: May 19, 2015 @ 7:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Lavash; Second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorena Prokop  
Administrative Secretary

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Dario F. Nardi, Clerk