

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 2015
SHEPARD MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

PRESENT: David A. Delanski, Chairman, Robert E. Lavash, Sr. Vice-Chairman, Dario F. Nardi, Clerk
ATTENDEES: See list (attached)

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 stated he was recording the meeting.

MINUTES

Motion to accept the work meeting minutes of March 3, 2015 and open meeting minutes of March 3, 2015 as written made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Delanski – 1 abstention

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Nardi spoke with business manager at Quaboag regarding Mr. James Kordek's comment/concern over a lack of microphones during the STM. It was suggested that for future meetings, Town Clerk contact Ms. Camie Lamica or Mr. Herb Foley to make request and assure that the system is set up and available.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

- Correspondence from Nancy Talbot, Town Clerk – Ware MA with information on the upcoming Open Meeting Law Training session offered at the Ware High School Auditorium – Thursday March 19, 2015. Session to be conducted by Attorneys from the Attorney General's Office. Further information can be found at the Selectmen's office or the State's Attorney General's office. Board members would be in attendance.
- Memorandum from the Board of Assessors, no further action relative to Solar projects in the Town will be taken up by their office until such time that job descriptions and budget constraints are discussed at their next meeting. Noted
- Email from Kirt Mayland, party involved on the Housatonic Solar Project (Spring St.) extending to the Board an opportunity to discuss net metering credits from the completed project to keep benefits local. Board requested that Mr. Mayland be invited to come to next meeting.
- Reminder - The Planning Board will be holding an informational meeting on three proposed zoning changes for possible action by Town Meeting. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 11th at 6:45PM in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. **ALL RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND PROVIDE INPUT.** In addition, residents may take the survey on a potential Medical Marijuana Bylaw. The survey can be found on the Town of Warren's website on the homepage under "Town

Meeting/Election Info". For more information on either, please contact the Planning Board office.
Noted.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Peter Krawczyk addressed the Board with concerns over the ringing of the bells at the Town Hall citing they are too loud at what he described as 10 decibels above ambient noise and should not be ringing between 9:00 PM and 7:00 AM as per state laws. Mr. Krawczyk provided the Board with a copy of the statute. He would like to see them stifled so as to not ring at night as the noise is disruptive in the evening. Ms. Beverly Soltys believes it was agreed that the bells would be silenced at night; it was just a matter of when. Mr. Delanski has been advised that they run off a tape system and there is no mechanism to change schedule, they are either on or they are off. The matter of volume has been solved, it has been turned down. The matter would be reviewed further to attempt to alleviate concerns, if not, it may be necessary to put to a vote by the public to keep on or shut off.

Mr. Sean LeBoeuf inquired with the Board if there was any further information relative to a prior matter addressed relating the Highway vehicle and DMV safety inspection. Two board members took up the matter with the Chief individually. The matter of the Highway truck as well as the Police cruiser (safety inspection as well) was discussed with the Chief. Although no written report(s) is available at this time, the findings reveal the vehicles were put in service during weather event(s) that would support the safety and well being of the community. The Board will seek to meet with both the Highway Surveyor and Police Chief to obtain further information and written report(s) in the near future. Additional concerns over the Board overseeing that departments comply with regulations were discussed. Mr. Delanski has made contact with the Chiefs and Highway S. to assert that the Departments must be in compliance, noting his concerns with safety and liability implications. Mr. noted he would contact the Chief the following day to follow up on new concerns.

Mr. Michael Baril addressed the Board; he stated he had attending a recent Capital Planning meeting and believed the Police Chief "was uncooperative and lied" when questioned regarding a police vehicle. Mr. Delanski asked him to refrain from further comment as it involved an individual not present and the subject was not a matter that had come before the Board.

WARREN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – CERT – Tim O'Brien

Mr. Tim O'Brien Co-Emergency Manager requested that the Board grant his Department and the CERT team a room within the Shepard building where they can conduct meetings; trainings and store their volunteer gear. There was a consensus of the Board to allow the EMD/CERT to use a second floor vacant office for this purpose provided they furnish and maintain the room.

TREASURY WARRANT(S) AND INVOICES

Motion to accept warrant # 73 (payroll) and #74 (vendor) dated March 9, 2015 in the amounts of \$36,900.63 and \$117,451.37 respectively was made by Mr. Nardi; Second: Mr. Lavash – unanimous

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Delanski remarked that the recent Polish Dinner put on by the Friends of the Town Hall was well attended and a successful fundraiser. He extended a Thank you to the National Honor Society members who acted as servers for the event. A request was made to send a note of Thanks to them and to the FOTTH.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Next scheduled meeting: March 12, 2015 @ 6:00 PM – with Libraries
March 17, 2015 at 7:00 PM for regular meeting.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Lavash; Second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorena Prokop
Administrative Secretary

Dario F. Nardi, Clerk