

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Mr. James A. Gagner, Jr., Chairman and Mr. Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

**ABSENT:** Mr. Marc W. Richard, Vice-Chairman

**ATTENDEES:** See Attached List

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**Opened the Meeting at 7:00 PM**

Chairman Gagner Opened the Meeting and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. He notified all in attendance that this evening's meeting was being both video and audio recorded.

**MINUTES**

Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of November 28, 2017 and the Regular Session Minutes of December 5, 2017, as written made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. The office would like to echo the Conservation Commissions gratitude to Liam Carlson, Senior Patrol Leader from Boy Scout Troop 142, for the Town of Warren and Lucy Stone Park being the recipient of his Eagle Scout Project. Liam worked tirelessly into making the river walk trail and picnic area. – ***A letter of thanks will be sent to Mr. Carlson***
2. The office received the monthly report of the Police Chief for month ending November 2017. - ***Noted***

**MIIA – RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE PLANS**

Dawn Swistak, Town Treasurer, addressed the Board this evening to discuss the retirees' medical insurance plan options. Members of the Insurance Analysis Committee met with representatives from MIIA. After a review, the IAC unanimously recommends that the Board of Selectmen choose Option #26 as presented this evening. (Attached) This option would save both the town and the retiree money. With no objections, the following motion was made: Motion to approve Option #26 as presented by the Town Treasurer with the unanimous recommendation of the IAC made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

**REED STREET – PRE-DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANT**

Bill Scanlan attended this evening's meeting to request that the Board allow the full \$25,000.00 that was approved at a town meeting to go towards a pre-development planning grant. If so, Tighe and Bond will conduct the study with the scope tailored to the Rural Development plan. Mr. Scanlan is hoping to piggyback this with CDBG funding. The initial study will look at three different options. Rural Development will still want to see the town involved in some way even though the water districts are independently owned and operated. Mr. Nardi expressed his disappointment at both water districts for their lack of participation. Mr. Nardi motioned to allow the \$25,000.00 to go towards the cost of the pre-development planning grant and allow Tighe and Bond to proceed made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

**CHIEF OF POLICE – PROMOTION OF OFFICER MILLETTE TO SERGEANT'S POSITION**

With the imminent retirement of Sgt. LaFlower, Chief Spiewakowski is here this evening to recommend Officer Millette to the position of Sergeant effective January 1, 2018. By doing so, this would allow the Chief to transition responsibilities over to Officer Millette. Mr. Gagner has no issues and Mr. Nardi supports the Chief with his candidate. With no further discussion, the following motion was made: Motion to promote Officer Gerald Millette to the position of Sergeant effective January 1, 2018 made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous. Officer Millette thanked the Board for their support and is looking forward to the challenges that the position presents.

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION – GIFT ACCOUNT**

The Conservation Commission has requested that the Board of Selectmen approve the creation of a gift account for Lucy Stone. The Commission has received a number of donations and would like to spend the money on the original intention. With no objections, Mr. Nardi motioned to allow the creation of a Lucy Stone Gift Account as requested and was seconded by Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

### **MOA – BY AND BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MA AND THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER**

VSO, Gary Lapine requested that the Board vote to allow the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Commonwealth of MA and the Veterans Service Officer which would allow Mr. Lapine direct access to military records. With no objections, the following motion was made: Motion to allow the Chairman to sign as requested made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

### **TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN**

Members of the Citizens Action Committee have requested that the Board consider appointing them as Tax Title Custodian. No one from the group is in attendance this evening. The Board requested that this be tabled this evening and discussed at an upcoming meeting.

### **MEDICAL MARIJUANA – LETTER OF NON-OPPOSITION**

Motion to sign a letter of Non-opposition to Harvest, Inc. from Tempe Arizona made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

### **2018 LICENSE RENEWALS**

Motion to approve the Common Victualler licenses as presented made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.  
Motion to approve the ABCC Liquor licenses as presented made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.  
Motion to approve the Motor Vehicle Class I, II & III licenses as presented made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

### **TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES**

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 48 & 49 dated December 11, 2017 in the amounts of \$38,042.98 and \$76,580.91 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.  
Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 50 & 51 dated December 18, 2017 in the amounts of \$46,571.21 and \$72,537.68 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Nardi wished all residents a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Mr. Gagner thanked all who attended the Spaghetti Supper at Quaboag Regional M/H School.

### **COMMENTS & CONCERNS - NONE**

Next Meeting Date: January 9, 2018 at 7 PM.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra  
Administrative Secretary

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Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

