

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Mr. James A. Gagner, Jr., Chairman and Mr. Marc W. Richard; Vice-Chairman

**ABSENT:** Mr. Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

**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. Ms. Colleen Montague advised her audio taping this evening's meeting.

**MINUTES**

Motion to approve the Minutes of February 27, 2018 as written made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. As a reminder, the Quaboag Regional Middle High School will be holding ongoing budget meetings to discuss the FY 19 Budget. The next scheduled meetings are: March 12<sup>th</sup> – initial budget presentation to full committee and March 19<sup>th</sup> - school committee adopts FY 19 budget. **Mr. Gagner again urged all residents to attend. All meetings are held at the Quaboag Regional M/H School Library beginning at 6:30 PM unless posted otherwise.**
2. The office received the monthly report of EM/CERT for the month of February 2018. - **Noted**
3. The office received notice from the Planning Board that an informational meeting will be held on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM to discuss proposed zoning amendments. - **Noted**

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS – DISCUSSION ON STAFFING CHANGES/RETIREMENT-Tabled – No one in attendance.**

**APPOINTMENT – FULL-TIME POLICE DISPATCHER**

Due to the recent resignation of a full-time dispatcher, the Chief is in attendance this evening to make a recommendation to the Board for an appointment of a full-time dispatcher. At a recent meeting, Ms. Lauren Shunaman was appointed as a part-time dispatcher, however has expressed interest in the full-time position. Ms. Shunaman comes to the town fully trained and the exception of a few renewals, which she is working on. Also, due to wording contained within the Collective Bargaining Agreement, the open position must be posted for two (2) weeks. With that in mind, the following motion was made: Motion to appoint Ms. Shunaman from part-time dispatcher to full-time effective March 13, 2018 made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Gagner –unanimous.

**FY 19 BUDGET – ONGOING DISCUSSIONS**

Chief Spiewakowski asked if the Finance Committee was going to have a sign-up sheet in order for department heads to meet to discuss their budgets. Mrs. Acerra advised all that she and Selectman Richard met with the Chair of Finance and asked the same question. Mr. Mongeon stated that he was not going to have a sign up list this year. Mrs. Acerra asked the members of Finance that were in the audience this evening and there was no response.

**TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES**

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 72 & 73 dated March 5, 2018 in the amounts of \$40,820.32 and \$169,919.38 respectively made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

Motion to approve and sign Invoice No. 115 for FY 16 for the CDBG draw down to PVPC in the amount of \$44,000.00 made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.  
Motion to approve and sign Invoice No. 114 for FY 17 for the CDBG drawn down to PVPC in the amount of \$14,000.00 made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Gagner expressed his thanks to the Police Department for their recent work with the West Brookfield Police Department on a recent drug bust and to Officer LaFlower and K-9 Murray for their traffic stop that lead to the confiscation of marijuana.

**COMMENTS & CONCERNS-NONE**

Next Meeting Date: March 15, 2018 at 3:30 PM and March 20, 2018 at 7 PM.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous at 7:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra  
Administrative Secretary

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Dario F. Nardi, Clerk

