

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2018**

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

ABSENT: Mr. Marc Richard, Vice-Chairman

ATTENDEES: See Attached List

Opened the Meeting at 6:00 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 April 10th and April 12th, 2018 as written made by Mr. Nardi; second; Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. The office received notice from the Town Clerk that the Boston Public Library digitized all of the Town record books from 1768-1945 free of charge. They can now be ready on-line at www.archive.org/details/townofwarren. The Town Clerk would like to thank Mr. George Shields and Tracey Mazur for their assistance. - **Noted**
2. The office also received notice a town-wide cleanup will be held on May 5th between 9 AM to 12 Noon. Volunteers are encouraged and always welcome! - **Noted**
3. Finally a reminder that the Veterans Council will be hosting a Welcome Veterans evening on Friday, April 27th at 6:30 PM. All veterans and their families are encouraged to attend. For any questions, please contact Rebecca Acerra at 774-922-2654. - **Noted**

TOWN TREASURER - BAN RENEWAL

The Treasurer was present this evening to request that the Board of Selectmen vote to renew the BAN on the Street Light Project. With no further discussion, the following motion was made: Motion to renew the BAN for the \$200,000. Anticipation Serial Loan – to Greenfield cooperative Bank at the rate of 1.70% interest made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

COMINS POND PUBLIC USE AGREEMENT

Motion to sign the Comins Pond Public Use Agreement as presented made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous. (This is an annual request)

TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 84 & 85 dated April 16, 2018 in the amounts of \$36,697.47 and \$84,212.86 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

Motion to approve and sign Warrant numbers 86 & 87 dated April 23, 2018 in the amounts of \$39,1717.80 & \$39,521.86 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS-NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Nardi stated that the auction is completed of the Highway's surplus equipment. In total, \$14,900.00 was raised. Additional auctions will be held in the future.

Mr. Gagner thanked all who came out on April 17th to watch the Boy Scouts stock trout at Lucy Stone Park. It was a great event Mr. Gagner also thanked all who came out to the Fraternal Order of Eagles last Thursday. In total, \$900.00 was raised to go towards a scholarship fund for the three Quaboag teens that were tragically killed in a car accident in November.

In order to celebrate Firefighter Dennis Desrosiers' 50 years with the Fire Department, a chicken BBQ will be held on June 2, 2018 from 1- 3 PM at St. Stan's Pavilion. Tickets can be purchased at the Fire Department.

Mr. Gagner also advised the Board that Mr. Gary Blanchard is looking to do local interviews regarding the services available in the town. Mr. Blanchard will be working with the Cable Committee on this venture.

The Police Chief also advised all that the Department will be holding a Citizens Academy in the near future. Stay tuned for more info.

CHIEF OF POLICE – RESERVE POLICE OFFICER AND PART-TIME DISPATCHER APPOINTMENT

With the recent retirement of Sgt. Joseph LaFlower, he has requested to be appointed as a Reserve Police Officer in order to do duty assignments. There is no cost to the town as payment comes directly from the outside agency (i.e., National Grid/construction companies). With no further discussion, the following motions were made: Motion to appoint Joseph R. LaFlower as a Reserve Police Officer and Krystal Rafferty* as a Part-time dispatcher as presented made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

The Board also presented Sgt. LaFlower with an acknowledgment of his time with the Town and wished him a happy retirement.

***The Board agreed to waive both the CORI and physical for Ms. Rafferty as she was once employed by the town.**

COMMENTS & CONCERNS – NONE

Motion to recess until 6:30 PM at which time the Board will conduct the mock town meeting made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Gagner – unanimous.

6:30 PM – MOCK TOWN MEETING

Atty. Jeffrey Blake, Town Counsel was present this evening to review the Warrant and funding source with the Board.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT (ATTACHED)

Article 1 – Snow & Ice - \$40,000.00 – Free Cash

Article 3 – Treasurer - \$50,000.00 – Free Cash

Article 5 – Treasurer - \$775.00 – Transfer

Article 7 – Selectmen - \$10,000.00 – Transfer

Article 9 – Fire Dept. - \$1,500.00 – Free Cash

Article 11 - Selectmen - \$4,004.00 – adjust bookkeeping error

Article 2 – Assessors - \$10,000.00 – Transfer

Article 4 – Treasurer - \$2,116.32 – Free Cash

Article 6 – Selectmen - \$5,000.00 – Free Cash

Article 8 – Selectmen - \$pending – Free Cash

Article 10 – Tax Coll. - \$100.00 – Free Cash

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT (ATTACHED)

Article 1 & 2 – Standard

Article 4 – Citizen Petition

Article 6 - \$77,000 – Free Cash

Article 8, 9 & 10 – Sewer – Standard (enterprise fund)

Articles 12- 17 – Standard

Article 19 – Highway - \$4,500.00 – Free Cash

Article 21 – Fire - \$5,000.00 – Free Cash

Article 23 – Police/Capital - \$21,504.00

Article 25 – Citizens Petition

Article 27 & 28 – Zoning By-Law Amendments

Article 30 – Citizen Petition

Article 3 – Change grade from C2 to C3

Article 5 – Omnibus budget

Article 7 – Landfill - \$94,200

Article 11 – Standard - \$2,500.00 – R & A

Article 18 - Highway – \$3,500.00 – New Free Cash

Article 20 – Fire/Capital – Secret Ballot 2/3 vote

Article 22 – Fire - \$4,500.00 – IT – Free Cash

Article 24 – Parks - \$11,500.00 – R & A

Article 26 – General By-law

Article 29 – Health - \$100,000.00 – Free Cash S/B

Article 31 – General By-Law

Next Meeting Date: To be determined.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard - unanimous at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Administrative Secretary

Dario F. Nardi, Clerk