

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

August 3, 2017

### Executive Session

**PRESENT:** Mr. James Gagner, Jr., Chairman, Mr. Marc Richard, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Dario Nardi, Clerk, and Mrs. Rebecca Acerra, Administrative Secretary

**ATTENDEES:** Jeffrey Blake, K-P Law

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Opened the Meeting at 5:30 PM

Motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with MGL, c 30A, Section 21(a) (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares and reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the discussion made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous. Roll Call Vote – 3 Yes Votes.

The Board met with Counsel this afternoon to discuss the TIF Agreement that the Town has with Colfax/Portland Valve. The Mass. Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (EACC) voted to decertify Portland Valve LLC & Warren Pumps LLC as the company has requested voluntary withdrawal of their project of Certified Project Status.

As pointed out by Counsel, Section C, “Additional Provisions”, subsection 2. Reads in part, “Upon decertification, the TOWN **shall** discontinue the exemption benefits provided to the COMPANY as set forth herein, commencing in the fiscal year in which such decertification occurs.”

As a result of the unquestionable loss of revenue to the Town, the following motion was made: Motion to vote to decertify Warren Pumps LLC TIF Agreement beginning FY 2018 made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to exit Executive Session and reconvene in Open Session made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous. Roll Call Vote – 3 Yes Votes.

**6 PM** – The Board reconvened in Open Session to have any final discussions regarding the Special Town Meeting scheduled for 6:30 PM this evening.

**Article 1** – Borrowing of funds for the window replacement at WCES – the wording for the Article and Motion was provided by the School and has been reviewed by bond counsel. All ok.

**Article 2** – Allocation for the pre-development planning grant associated with the Reed Street water issue. Mr. Scanlan stated that, if approved, the town’s contribution of the 25K would be for the engineering study only. Mr. Nason expressed concern that the town will assume liability on the issue. Mr. Scanlan reiterated that it was for engineering only. Finance Committee is not in favor.

**Article 3** - The Board is looking to present to the voters once again the bill for Ludlow Construction to the voters for approval. All ok.

**TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES**

Motion to approve and sign Warrant No. 10 & 11 dated August 1, 2017 in the amounts of \$38,608.42 and \$238,514.95 respectively made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

**MASSWORKS GRANT AUTHORIZATION**

Mr. Scanlan was in attendance this evening and requested that the Board sign the MassWorks Grant Authorization to keep the project moving forward. With no objections, the following motion was made: Motion to vote to sign the MassWorks Grant Authorization as requested made by Mr. Nardi; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Recess to the Special Town Meeting scheduled for 6:30.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra  
Administrative Secretary

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Dario F. Nardi, Clerk