

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 25, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.**

Members Present: Steven P. Rose, Chairman (via teleconference)
Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via teleconference)
Jason L. Suzor, Associate (via teleconference)

Others Present: Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator (via teleconference)
Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant (via teleconference)
Deb Morin, Treasurer/Collector (via teleconference)
Patricia Bessette, Town Clerk (via teleconference)
Ann Fogg, Library Director (via teleconference)

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. with all members present. The purpose of this Workshop Meeting was to review the Town Offices Re-Opening Plan and the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Town Offices Re-Opening Plan

Mr. Enos reviewed the tentative plan for reopening Town Hall, the Council on Aging, the Civic Center, and the library to the public which has been open by appointment only since March 16, 2020, the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic. Mr. Enos recommended reopening Town Offices to the public on April 5, 2021 with limited capacity, mask wearing, social distancing protocols, and limited programming to applicable departments. In discussing the reopening plan, both Ms. Fogg and Ms. Bessette mentioned that staff members have concerns over opening the buildings to the public. Chairman Rose recommended this matter be tabled until the Board's meeting of April 15, 2021 at which time the Board will reevaluate the Town Offices Re-Opening Plan.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Mr. Enos informed the Board that he made the recommended changes to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant as discussed at the last meeting of the Board. The Board reviewed the revised Warrant and requested that Mr. Enos make the following changes.

The Board requested that Mr. Enos strike that Article 8 is proposed jointly by the Board of Selectmen and the DPW. Article 8 should be proposed solely by the DPW.

The Board requested that Mr. Enos strike that Article 13 is proposed by the Town Accountant and the Police Department. Article 13 should be proposed by the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Enos informed the Board that he is still waiting to hear from the Planning Board Chairman to insert the proper language into Article 18 regarding a bylaw change to allow self service gas stations in the Town.

The Board requested that Mr. Enos withdraw Article 16 regarding the Stretch Energy Code from the Warrant.

The Board reviewed Article 21 requesting the Town to accept as a public way the altered layout by the Selectmen of Pond Street as shown on plan entitled "Street Alteration Plan" dated December 22, 2020. Mr. Beckerman made a motion to recommend the Street Alteration Plan to the Planning Board for their review and approval. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed Articles 29 and 30 proposed by the Fire Department regarding the lease purchase agreement of the Rescue Pumper Truck and the purchase of a new replacement shift command truck. Mr. Beckerman reminded the Board that he previously requested more detailed information on the replacement of a shift command truck from the Fire Chief at the Workshop Meeting of March 16, 2021 and he has not received that report yet. Mr. Suzor agreed with Mr. Beckerman and requested more details on the Rescue Pumper Truck as well. The Board advised Mr. Enos to inform the Fire Chief that a written explanation with more specific information is needed on both these articles by close of business on March 16, 2021 or the articles will be withdrawn from the Warrant.

After reviewing the Annual Town Meeting Warrant in detail, Mr. Beckerman made a motion to accept and finalize the May 4, 2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant pending more information from Chief Spurr on Articles 29 and 30 and the removal of Article 16 regarding the Stretch Energy Code. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 12:31 p.m. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Shanna M. Faro
Executive Assistant

List of Documents

1. Draft Annual Town Meeting Warrant of May 4, 2021