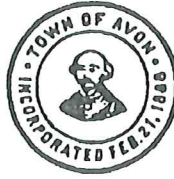


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BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019  
6:30 P.M.

**Members Present:** Steven P. Rose, Chairman  
Robert F. Brady, Jr., Clerk  
Eric S. Beckerman, Associate

**Others Present:** Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator  
Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator  
Joseph S. Lalli, Town Counsel  
Ann Fogg, Library Director  
Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent

TOWN OF AVON  
2019 MAY -3 P 12:07  
TOWN CLERK

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members present.

Chairman Rose requested a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing matters related to allegations of potential misconduct and to reconvene in Open Session. Mr. Beckerman made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Mr. Brady voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye.

At 7:30 p.m., Mr. Beckerman made a motion to reconvene in Open Session. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Rose announced that the meeting is being recorded by the local Cable Access Channel and via livestream by an audience member.

Joseph Lalli led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Reorganization of the Board

Mr. Brady made a motion to appoint Mr. Rose as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to appoint Mr. Brady as Clerk of the Board. Mr. Rose seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **Public Participation**

Ann Fogg approached the podium to discuss the library renovation project which residents will be asked to vote on at the Annual Town Meeting on May 7, 2019. Ms. Fogg invited the Selectmen and the viewing audience to visit the Avon Public Library to review the plans for the project.

## **Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to accept the minutes of April 4, 2019 (Regular Session) as written. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **14 North Main Street – Disposition of Surplus Property**

Mr. Enos informed the Board that for the Town to dispose of 14-B North Main Street and declare it as surplus property, the lot itself has to be under a certain value by law. Mr. Enos provided the Board with a Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) letter from the broker. Mr. Enos stated that the sale of this property is currently on hold at the Stoughton District Court. Mr. Enos informed the Board that by their next meeting, he should have the proper documentation for this matter. Mr. Enos stated that the goal for final disposition of this property is by early May.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Town of Abington Net Metering Proposal**

Mr. Enos informed the Board that he is reviewing ways to save on the Town's energy bills. Mr. Enos stated that the paperwork is not finalized yet for the Net Metering Proposal and should be ready by the next meeting of the Board.

### **Appointment of Interim Building Commissioner**

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Building Commissioner Robert Borden has taken a leave of absence. Mr. Enos stated that by law, the Town must appoint an Interim Building Commissioner. Mr. Enos requested that the Board appoint Charles Comeau as the Temporary Interim Building Inspector. Mr. Enos stated that Mr. Comeau is currently the Alternate Building Inspector and is willing to take on more responsibilities during Mr. Borden's absence. Mr. Brady made a motion to appoint Charles Comeau as the Interim Building Commissioner. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion for discussion. Mr. Beckerman was concerned if there would be a conflict of interest given that Mr. Comeau is on multiple Boards and Committees for the Town. Mr. Enos informed Mr. Beckerman that in the event there is a conflict of interest, such as the library roof project, a different inspector will be asked to review the project. Mr. Enos stated that, in addition, the Town is looking to hire an additional inspector to help with building permits. The motion carried.

### **Appointment of Senior Circulation Assistant**

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to appoint Joshua Lagle as Senior Circulation Assistant at the Avon Public Library for a Grade OAL 2, Step 1, at the rate of \$18.29 per hour effective April 29, 2019. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.



### **Appointment of Compost Site Attendant**

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Board of Health has a finalist for the Compost Site Attendant position, whose appointment will be requested at the next meeting of the Board. Mr. Enos requested that Cynthia Seely be appointed as the Temporary Compost Site Attendant to help out during the next few weekends until the new employee has come aboard. Mr. Beckerman made a motion to appoint Cynthia Seely as Temporary Compost Site Attendant. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **Regional Energy Planning Assistance Grant: OCPC – Green Community**

Mr. Enos requested permission from the Board to apply for a grant from the Old Colony Planning Council to become a Green Community. Mr. Enos stated that thirteen of the seventeen OCPC communities are Green Communities, saving them millions of dollars from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. In addition, these thirteen communities have benefited from utility incentives, reduced energy use and the resulting cost savings. Mr. Enos recommended that the Town become a Green Community. He informed the Board that he has already researched pricing for new street lights. Mr. Brady made a motion to approve and have the Chair sign the Memorandum of Understanding between OCPC and the Town for Regional Energy Planning Assistance and the Certification of Application. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion for discussion. Mr. Beckerman asked if Town Counsel should review the application for the Town to become a Green Community to see if there are any different requirements which will increase costs. Mr. Lalli stated that he was aware of some differences in the building code for Green Communities and that he will review and report back to the Board. The motion carried.

### **Street Opening Permit Applications from Columbia Gas**

Mr. Brady made a motion to approve the Street Opening Permit at 40 East Street by Columbia Gas to install new gas service with a 4' x 6' road cut tie in and a 4' x 15' road cut trench with the stipulation that the road be rehabilitated pursuant to the DPW's standards and pending verification that all 2018 repairs were satisfactory completed. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Brady made a motion to approve the Street Opening Permit at 30 South Street by Columbia Gas to install new gas service with a 4' x 6' road cut tie in and a 4' x 35' road cut trench with the stipulation that the road be rehabilitated pursuant to the DPW's standards and pending verification that all 2018 repairs were satisfactory completed. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion for discussion. Mr. Beckerman seemed to recall an application for 30 South Street in 2018. Mr. Enos and Ms. Faro informed Mr. Beckerman that they will check the records and confirm with him. The motion carried.

### **Announcements**

Chairman Rose announced that the Compost Site will open for the season on April 24, 2019. Ms. Waldron informed the Board that the hours for the Compost Site are Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Chairman Rose announced the May meetings of the Board as May 2, 2019 and May 16, 2019. Mr. Enos informed the Board that the May 2, 2019 meeting will be a joint meeting with the Finance Committee in preparation for the Annual Town Meeting.

### **Correspondence**

Chairman Rose stated that the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on May 2, 2019 at 7:15 p.m. regarding the acceptance of Anisa Lane as a public way.

Chairman Rose stated that the Massachusetts Department of Revenue has posted its Fiscal Year 2020 Preliminary Cherry Sheet Estimates for the Town.

### **Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. Enos informed the Board, that last week, he sat with Selectman Brady and a representative for Good Energy for the bid opening regarding the Municipal Aggregation Plan. Mr. Enos stated that the winning bid was from Dynegy for a price of \$0.10631. Mr. Enos stated that the informational postcards will be mailed out to residents within the next few days. Mr. Enos stated that Good Energy will also be reaching out to local cable and will put information about the Municipal Aggregation Plan on the website.

### **Adjournment**

At 8:06 p.m., Chairman Rose requested the Board make a motion to conclude the Regular Session. Mr. Brady made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Brady voted aye.

Mr. Beckerman voted aye.

Chairman Rose voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shanna M. Faro".

Shanna M. Faro  
Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

### LIST OF DOCUMENTS

1. Meeting Agenda
2. April 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes (Regular Session)
3. Comparative Market Analysis – 14B North Main Street
4. Personnel Action Form for Senior Circulation Assistant Joshua Lagle
5. OCPC – REPA Memorandum of Understanding and Certification of Application
6. Street Opening Permits by Columbia Gas for 40 East Street and 30 South Street
7. Notice of Public Hearing for Avon Planning Board on May 2, 2019
8. MA Department of Revenue – DLS FY2020 Preliminary Cherry Sheet Estimates