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BOARD OF SELECTMEN THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019 7:30 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 Lalli, Esq., Town Counsel

Amanda Decker, Prevention Coordinator Humberto Cabral, Walmart Store Manager

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with all members present.

Chairman Rose announced that the meeting is being recorded by the local Cable Access Channel.

Amanda Decker led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Participation

None

Meeting Minutes

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to accept the minutes of October 3, 2019 (Regular Session) as written. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Red Ribbon Week

Prevention Coordinator Ms. Decker and four students from the Avon Middle-High School appeared before the Board to discuss details of the upcoming Red Ribbon Week. Mikayla Von Ehrenkrook, Kaitlyn von Ehrenkrook, Darren Tran and Sam Auguste discussed the importance of a drug and alcohol-free lifestyle for adolescents. Ms. Decker was pleased to announce that the group was recently awarded \$4,000 from a grant to address tobacco abuse. Collaterally, the students announced that Red Ribbon Week this year will be held between October 20, 2019 through October 26, 2019. The students requested that citizens promote this week by wearing red clothing, a red ribbon and tying a red ribbon outside of

their houses to celebrate a drug-free lifestyle. The Board of Selectmen signed the Proclamation that Red Ribbon Week will be held the week of October 20, 2019 for the Town of Avon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Request from Walmart for Special Black Friday Hours

Mr. Cabral appeared before the Board to request the Board's permission for Walmart to open at 1:00 a.m. on November 29, 2019. Mr. Cabral reminded the Board that last year, this request was granted by the Board on a trial basis with the understanding that the request be reconsidered the following year. Mr. Cabral informed the Board that Walmart will ensure proper security beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving evening through 2:00 a.m. on Black Friday. Mr. Cabral stated that he also been in contact with Deputy Chief Linehan from the Avon Police Department regarding this event. Finally, Mr. Cabral stated that there were no considerable issues from this request last year. Mr. Beckerman made a motion to grant Walmart a 1:00 a.m. opening on Friday, November 29, 2019 with the stipulation that the request be reviewed again next year by the Board. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Memorandum of Understanding for School Resource Officer

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Memorandum of Understanding has been reviewed by the School Committee, Town Counsel and the Police Chief. Mr. Brady made a motion to approve and execute the Memorandum of Understanding for the School Resource Officer. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Appointment of Recording Secretary

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to appoint Alicia Coletti to the position of part-time Recording Secretary at the rate of \$16.00 per hour effective October 21, 2019. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Gift Acceptance Requests for the Council on Aging

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to approve the gift acceptance request from Kevin Colton from the coworkers of Larry Urbano in memory of his mother Viola Urban for a donation in the amount of \$600 to the Council on Aging. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to approve the gift acceptance request from Carol Merlo in the amount of \$200 to the Council on Aging to be used for door prizes for the seniors on special luncheon days. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to approve the gift acceptance request from Maryann Calnan in the amount of \$75 to the Council on Aging to be used for a memorial lunch in memory of her husband. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Veteran Services Contract

Mr. Enos informed the Board that although the Town is currently in contract with the Veterans Agent, we share our agent with the Town of Franklin. That town is currently in its budget process and needs to

renew their contract now. Mr. Enos informed the Board that the new contract is very similar to the current contract. The new contract calls for an assistant and has a slight increase in fees. Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Town did budget for the increase. Mr. Brady made a motion to approve and execute the Agreement for Veteran Services between the Town of Avon and the County of Norfolk. Mr. Beckerman seconded the motion. The motion carried. The new agreement shall take effect on January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

Announcements

Chairman Rose announced the November meetings of the Board as November 14, 2019 and November 21, 2019.

Chairman Rose announced that the Town Clerk, in conjunction with representatives from General Code, will host two ECode360 Training Sessions on October 24, 2019 for employees, Boards and Committees. The afternoon session will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the evening session will begin at 6:00 p.m. All participants are requested to arrive thirty minutes prior to class for registration and concessions.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Town Hall and Council on Aging will be closed to the public on October 18, 2019 due to the parking lot reconstruction project.

Mr. Enos requested that the Board close all Town Offices early on October 31, 2019 due to Halloween and the safety of citizens and employees. He requested an earlier closing than the normal 7:30 p.m. Thursday evening hours. The Board unanimously agreed to close Town Offices on October 31, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Enos announced that the Tax Classification Hearing will be held on November 21, 2019.

Mr. Enos announced that on October 26, 2019 the Town will hold a yard sale for surplus property at the Avon Town Offices from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Randolph and Avon will also be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste and Medication Take-Back Day on October 26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Randolph High School Parking Lot.

Town Counsel's Report

Mr. Lalli reported that the Town now has the Deed to 144 & 156 South Street.

Adjournment

At 8:10 p.m., Chairman Rose requested the Board make a motion to conclude the Regular Session. An Executive Session would begin after the Open Session pursuant to G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements in order to review and approve Executive Session Meeting Minutes in compliance with the provisions of the Opening Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §22(f)(g); to discuss Collective Bargaining with Union Bargaining Units (Police, Fire & AFSCME); and Employment Agreements with Non-Union Personnel as such discussion would have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body if discussed during the Open Session. Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Brady voted aye.

Mr. Beckerman voted aye.

Chairman Rose voted aye.

The Board would reconvene in Open Session for the sole purpose of adjournment. At 9:30 p.m., Mr. Beckerman moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Brady seconded the motion, so voted 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Shanna M. Faro

Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

- 1. October 17, 2019 Board of Selectmen Meeting Agenda
- 2. October 3, 2019 Meeting Minutes (Regular Session)
- 3. Letter from Walmart #2122 Store Manager Humberto Cabral to Board of Selectmen dated October 7, 2019 requesting earlier store hours for November 29, 2019
- 4. Memorandum of Understanding for School Resource Officer
- 5. Personnel Action Form for Recording Secretary
- 6. Gift Acceptance Forms for the Council on Aging
- 7. Veteran Services Agreement
- 8. ECODE360 Training Flyer
- 9. Town of Avon Yard Sale Advertisement
- 10. Randolph & Avon Household Hazardous Waste and Medication Take-Back Day Flyer