SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 19, 2020 AT 6:00PM VIRTUAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING

Chairwoman Provencher called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Chair Dianna Provencher, Second Vice-Chair John Shocik, Selectman Rick Antanavica, Selectman Herb Duggan, Jr., Town Administrator David Genereux, Assistant Town Administrator Kristen Forsberg, and Assistant to the Town Administrator Bryan Milward were in attendance. Vice-Chair Harry Brooks was absent.

1. SCHEDULED ITEMS

a. 6:00pm - Hillcrest Country Club Reuse Study and Discussion/Vote on Lease Extension

Town Administrator David Genereux discussed a recent meeting with the current lessees and summarized findings of the Hillcrest Country Club Reuse Study. Select Board members and members of the public discussed the possibilities of converting the course into a municipal golf course and whether the golf and restaurant businesses could be separated. No action was taken.

b. 6:30pm - Discussion/Vote Options for Fire Station Retention Pond Mitigation Plan

Luke Boucher of VHB provided an explanation of the costs and benefits of each mitigation option. Members of the Select Board discussed resident feedback, potential drainage and wetland impacts for each option, and costs associated with each option. Members of the public expressed concerns over obtaining easements on private property. A motion was made by Mr. Shocik and seconded by Mr. Duggan to select the Gleason Way gravity feed drainage option. Roll Call: 3:1:0 (Antanavica opposed)

c. 7:00pm - Discussion/Vote - Little League and Girls Softball Russell Field Leases

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to approve the Little League and Girls Softball leases at Russell Field and have the board sign the documents. Roll Call 4:0:0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODNo members of the public provided comment.

2. RESIGNATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

a. Fire & EMS Study Committee Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to appoint the members listed in the agenda packet to the Fire & EMS Study Committee. Roll Call: 4:0:0

b. Appointment - Conditional Local Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer - Michael Silva

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to appoint Michael Silva as the Conditional Local Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer. Roll Call 4:0:0

3. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Discussion/Vote Conditional Local Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer Contract – Michael Silva

A motion was made by Mr. Shocik and seconded by Mr. Duggan to approve Michael Silva's contract as the Conditional Local Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer. Roll Call: 4:0:0

b. Vote to Sign Presidential Election Warrant

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to sign the Presidential Election Warrant. Roll Call 4:0:0

c. Town Hall ADA Architectural Study Funding

Town Administrator David Genereux discussed the architect's request for additional funding for the Town Hall ADA Architectural Study. Select Board members requested that the contractor appear at a future meeting to further explain the request. No action was taken.

d. Discussion/Vote of Fall Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Town Administrator David Genereux provided an overview of each warrant article to be considered at the Fall Town Meeting. No action was taken.

e. Trick or Treating Update

Town ADavid Genereux provided an update on the continued increasein COVID-19 cases in Town. No action was taken.

f. Authorize Town Administrator to Sign Regional Public Health Alliance IMA Extension

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to authorize the Town Administrator to sign an extension to the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) with the Central Massachusetts Regional Public Health Alliance for health services through December 31, 2020. Roll Call: 4:0:0

4. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Student Liaison Reports

This item was passed over

b. Town Administrator Report

The Town Administrator referred the Select Board to his written report in the packet.

c. Select Board Reports

Select Board members discussed recent storm damage, the uptick in COVID-19 cases, heat assistance programs, the proposed real estate tax exemption for Detective Songy, the recent school building committee meeting, and the upcoming yard sale hosted by Deja Nu.

5. MINUTES

a. October 5, 2020

A motion was made by Mr. Antanavica and seconded by Mr. Shocik to approve the minutes of the October 5th, 2020 meeting. Roll Call: 4:0:0

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Shocik and seconded by Mr. Antanavica at 8:51pm. Roll Call 4:0:0