

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2023 AT 6:00PM
LEICESTER TOWN HALL, LEICESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01524

Chair Rick Antanavica, Dianna Provencher, Selectman John Bujak, Selectman Kevin Menard, Town Administrator David Genereux, Assistant Town Administrator, Justine Caggiano, Christie Higginbottom, Kurt Parliament, Peter Cusolito, and Jeffrey Fisher were in attendance.

ATTENDANCE:

Chair Rick Antanavica	Present
Dianna Provencher	Present
Kevin Menard	Present
John Bujak	Absent

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM

1. SCHEDULED ITEMS

- a. 6:00 – Liquor License, Valley Gas--- skip
- b. 6:30 – Pole Hearing, Crystal Street---- A motion was made by Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept the new pole. Motion carries 3-0-0.
- c. 6:45 – Pole Hearing, Henshaw Street--- A motion was made by Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept the new pole. Motion carries 3-0-0.

At 6:44 PM, Ms. Provencher made a motion to enter executive session which was seconded by Mr. Menard. Roll call vote: 3-0-0.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(2)- Fire Chief and Treasurer/Collector.
- b. Executive Session in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a), pursuant to purpose 6 to consider the purchase, exchange, lease, or value that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. –5 Victorian properties.

At 7:30 PM Ms. Provencher made a motion to exit executive session and return to open session which was seconded by Mr. Menard. Roll call vote: 3-0-0.

3. RESIGNATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

- a. Appointment – Arts Council, Christie Higginbottom

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to appoint Christie Higginbottom to the Arts Council. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

b. Appointment – Arts Council, Kurt Parliament

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to appoint Kurt Parliament to the Arts Council. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

c. Resignation- Anthony Dube- DPW Mechanic

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept the resignation of Anthony Dube. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jeffrey Fisher of 4 Maighan's Way ---Had an issue with article 10 of the special town meeting—against it as written.

5. CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Reminder, Trick or Treating Hours: 5-7 PM on October 31, 2023

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Acceptance of Flint Way

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Flint Way. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

- b. Vote on surplus John Deer Tractor

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to surplus the John Deer Tractor.... Motion carries 3-0-0.

****LCAC did not return after exec session. Meeting continued in Open session at 7:34 PM.

- c. Vote on Treasurer/Collector contract

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept the Treasurer/Collector contract. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

- d. Vote on Fire Chief contract

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept the Fire Chief contract. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

- e. Review and vote on Fall Town Meeting Articles

Article 1:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 1. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 2 A:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 2A. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 2B:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 2B. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 3:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 3. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 4- skipped

Article 5:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 5. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 6:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 6. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 7:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 7, provided that the property is checked out. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 8:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 8. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 9:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 9. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

Article 10- skipped

Article 11:

A motion was made Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to accept Article 11. Motion carries: 3-0-0.

7. REPORTS

- a. Town Administrator's Report
- b. Select Board Reports

At 8:01 PM a motion was made by Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Menard to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries 3-0-0.

ADJOURN