

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting of April 22, 2014
Town Hall – Meeting Room #1 7:00pm

Present: Chairman Michael O'Donnell, Vice-Chairman Jack Franey, Selectmen Sarah Hewins, Richard Ward Helen Marrone, Administrator Michael Milanoski (TA) and Michele Doll

Meeting called to order 7:00pm

The Chair led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the announcements.

Transition for FY14 Board of Selectmen

The Town Administrator distributed and reviewed a list of the Top 10 accomplishments since January 2014. Milanoski requested the appointment of a 2nd Vice Chair to cover the transition period until the next scheduled meeting and introduction of newly elected members.

Franey motioned to appoint Ward as 2nd Vice Chair. Marrone 2nd. Unanimous 5-0-0

O'Donnell offered his appreciation for the support of: the Town Administrator and residents; his wife, Patricia and his (4) children for their support; the dedicated work of the office staff.

Franey supports all the candidates for the upcoming election and is both happy and saddened to move on. He is also, thankful for the support of his wife.

Marrone has been inspired and encouraged by O'Donnell and Franey.

Ward admires the contributions made to the community, in spite of any political differences.

Hewins wished the departing members Good Luck and Good Health.

IT Systems Review & Recommendations;

Further review needed, tabled until next meeting.

Town Administrator Update

Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program:

State funded program to offset costs with the specific purpose of road repairs for damages caused by the clearing of snow. Carver has been allotted \$64,055.00; monies need to be expended by June 30th. DPW Superintendent John Woods working on list of expenditures.

Release Collins Center Report on review of proposed plan for Elementary School renovation:

Per Milanoski, existing school repairs needed are well documented in the report. The report will be posted and made available through website.

MSBA Update on approval of Building Committee and school enrollment:

The MSBA has approved the School Building Committee members. Per Ward, an organization meeting has been held: Open Meeting Laws were discussed; remote participation favored; goals and objectives established; Barry Struski voted as Chairman and Sarah Stearns voted as Vice Chairman. Members are reviewing Collins Center Report for 'homework'. Per Milanoski, fact sheets to layout issues and keep public up to date will be made available on a regular basis. The Chairman is the only 'authorized' speaking representative of the Committee. Meetings will be videoed and made available on CCAT.

Ten (10) year enrollment projections are being review by the school. Historically, the projections have been accurate.

Release of Collins Center Report on North Carver Water District Financial Analysis

Governance Committee to review and make recommendations to Town for better management. Report to be posted and made available through the website.

Southern Sky Solar Project RFP

Town Planner, Jack Hunter, requested vote to allow Town Administrator to negotiate lease and pilot agreement. Hunter and Milanoski had meeting with Southern Sky this afternoon. Lease landfill from Town and pay taxes on solar panels. Franey inquired about zoning issues. Landfill is zoned for business, Southern Sky to request overlay be provided to (2) parcels for meeting of by-laws at Town Meeting.

Motion to allow Town Administrator to negotiate lease and pilot agreement by Franey. Ward 2nd. Unanimous. 5-0-0

FY15 Proposed Draft Budget and Reorganization Plan

99% complete. Budget is balanced. Fixed costs (i.e.: healthcare, pension tables, OCVT increase, additional Veteran's services) are beyond our control. The Town is locked in for FY15 healthcare with a 5% increase. Final version of study on rates submitted by Finance Committee showing potential savings. Milanoski met with Gateway Group who agreed to look at alternatives, program will be more marketable as a larger group. Also, need to explore funding new resource officer and FT detective to combat heroin epidemic. Reviewing staff/hour reductions, increase revenues and fees.

Department of Permitting, Environmental and Planning - (3) components to reorganization.

These departments will operate as ONE entity.

First, Plumbing and Wiring Inspections transitioned to compensation per diem verses percentage (%). Overseen by Building Inspector.

Second, Cross-training of Administrative Staff. (1) Full-time and (2) part-time; Service will always be available.

Third, (1) part-time position eliminated; (1) stipend non-Town employee eliminated.

Board of Selectmen Comment Period

Old Colony Elder Services Appointment: Carole Julius

Motion to appoint Carole Julius by Franey. Ward 2nd. Unanimous. 5-0-0

Appointment of James Philip as member to Lakenham Green Preservation Committee:

Mr. Philip of 27 Forest Street invited to speak. Recently appointed by Town Administrator to Historic District Commission and feels that these (2) committees are interrelated.

Motion to appoint James Philip by Franey. Hewins 2nd. Unanimous. 5-0-0

BoS Approval of consolidated FY12 thru FY15 Police Union Agreement with Town of Carver:

Chief of Police, Marc Duphily, and Union President merged documents for easier reference. Marrone inquired to who checked final document contents. Milanoski submitted first draft in

previous Executive Session, he personally reviewed and had (2) staff members review. Only irregularities found and corrected were grammatical errors.

Motion to approve consolidation of Police Union Agreement made by Franey. Marrone 2nd. O'Donnell recused himself. 4-0-1

Governance Committee Update:

Ward spoke as representative of Committee. The Committee has held discussions with each Department Head regarding reorganization. They have also reviewed the Facilitator's Report. Next week they will prepare recommendations for Town Administrator and Selectmen. Then schedule public meeting for resident participation, prior to Annual Town Meeting.

Minutes/ Licenses/Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman 48 hours in advance of meeting:

Motion to approve minutes of April 8, 2014 by Franey. Marrone 2nd. Unanimous. 5-0-0

Franey urged residents to help ensure their own safety by displaying (house) numbers for emergency personnel, as unmarked homes can cause delays in emergency assistance.

Public Comment Period:

None

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session by Franey. Ward 2nd. Roll Call: Affirmative: Franey, Hewins, Ward.

Hewins and O'Donnell recused themselves.

Vote 3-0-2.