

Executive Session

A motion was made by Selectman Spathanas to call meeting into Executive Session the motion was seconded by Selectman Spellios the Board was unanimously in favor.

Chief Madigan and Chief Breen were present.

A motion was made by Selectmen Jones to close Executive Session the motion was seconded by Selectman Spathanas the Board was unanimously in favor.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Swampscott, MA 01907

Attendance: *Chairman, Naomi Dreeben, Vice Chair Laura Spathanas, Selectmen Peter Spellios, Selectmen Pat Jones, Town Administrator, Sean Fitzgerald, Town Treasurer Ron Mendes*

7:00 Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance

Selectman Spathanas read a Proclamation presented to Letter Carriers for their Service to Stamp out Hunger.

RESIDENT COMMENTS:

No resident comments

DISCUSSION:

Review of Town Warrant for Town Meeting

Selectmen Dreeben went over each article individually and asked the BOS if they needed any further explanation on any of the articles as she read them.

Finance committee voted on transferring and using one million dollars of free cash to offset the taxes.

There was a discussion on which articles each BOS member would be speaking on.

BOS discussed being prepared on answering questions on how the feasibility study for the Hadley school is different this time around versus the prior.

BOS stated that the BOS/SC will present together some of the articles.

Selectman Spellios will be involved with either or both the collective bargaining or/and budget presentation

Changes in Articles:

Capital improvement committee did not recommend the following:

Facade program of \$25,00.00

HVAC upgrade will be moved out a year

The Selectmen asked to have someone come in from the town such as a master plumber, or an HVAC company for a second opinion.

Town Administrator commended the Capital Improvement Committee and their work.

Selectman Spellios spoke about Stacy Brook and being clear at TM what the money allocated will be used for including studies so that all understand. Selectman Spellios would like a follow up at Fall Town Meeting.

Town Administrator gave an update on the Demo Delay article and spoke with Mr. Franklin in reaching a compromise. He will be meeting on May 3rd with the Historical Commission.

Selectman Dreeben suggested working with HC on preservation plan.

Town Administrator Fitzgerald discussed meeting with Selectman Spathanas, Gino Cresta, Pete Kane and Ron Madigan to discuss the Citizen Petition of Snow Removal and simplifying the article but keeping an understanding of safety. It's less about the fines and more about the community staying safe. A map will be shown

at TM where there is snow removal and where it can be improved, including the equipment that will be needed to do this. A discussion was had on residents who are away for months needing to make arrangements while they are away.

Town Administrator stated if there are hardships physically or financially the Town will assist the best they can. BOS were concerned that more language of assistance should be added to the TW.

Election of Officers

Chairman Dreeben will be stepping down as the Chair after three years. Selectman Spellios was put forward as a nominee for Chair by Selectman Jones and Selectman Dreeben, the motion was seconded by Selectman Spathanas, the Board was unanimously in favor.

Pat Jones was put forward as a nominee for Vice Chair by Selectmen Spellios the motion was seconded by Selectman Spathanas, the Board was unanimously in favor.

The Town Administrator Congratulated Selectman Dreeben on her years of service as Chair and is looking forward to working with Selectman Spellios and Selectman Jones.

VOTES OF THE BOARD:

- *Request for approval of Red Sauce Common Victualler's License- Motion for approval by Selectman Spathanas motion seconded by Selectman Jones, the Board was unanimously in favor.*
- *Request for approval of a One-Day Liquor License for Reach Arts Art Show opening on Friday, May 4, 2018.- Motion for approval by Selectman Spathanas motion seconded by Selectman Jones, the Board was unanimously in favor.*
- *Request for approval of a One-Day Liquor License for Reach Arts Art Show opening on Friday, May 19, 2018. Motion for approval by Selectman Spathanas motion seconded by Selectman Jones the Board was unanimously in favor.*
- *Request for approval of a One-Day Liquor License for Reach Arts Art Show opening on Friday, June 1, 2018- Motion for approval by Selectman Spathanas motion seconded by Selectman Jones the Board was unanimously in favor.*
- *Request for approval of a One-Day Liquor License for New Town Meeting Member Reception at Reach Arts on May 10, 2018 Motion for approval by Selectman Spathanas motion seconded by Selectman Jones the Board was unanimously in favor.*
- *Approval of draft minutes from March 7, 2018- POSTPONED TILL 5/16*

TA Report:

Getting ready for productive Town Meeting

Adjournment

The Board at 8:03 voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to close the meeting, motion seconded by Selectmen Jones.

True Attest:

Ana Lanzilli

Administrative Assistant