

MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING JUNE 26, 2018

Chairman Kiley called the meeting to order in the Senior Center at 6:05 PM with Mr. Petraitis and Mr. Tripp also present.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **June 5, 2018**
- **June 5, 2018 Executive Session**
- **June 12, 2018**
- **June 19, 2018**

Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve these minutes as written. So voted.

II. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

- **School Warrant #1060 for \$88,573.58**
- **School Warrant #1061 for \$20,056.04**
- **General Warrant #1062 for \$150,270.09**
- **Payroll Warrant #26 for \$468,546.28**

Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve these warrants. So voted.

III. FINANCIAL ITEMS

A. Transfer requests

Mr. Kiley reviewed two transfer requests from the Police Department, one for \$600.00 from Gasoline Expense to Facility Expense, and one for \$714.59 from ACO Expense to Facility Expense. (Attachment #1) Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve the transfers. So voted. Mr. Kiley noted that the transfers are needed because of unexpected repairs to the AC unit at the station.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. May Police report

Police Chief Mark Smith was present to deliver his report for the month of May. (Attachment #2) The Chief reported 40 incidents and 14 arrest/summons for the month. He noted that he has purchased desperately needed computers and a server for the station. He thanked the Selectmen and the townspeople for their support on this purchase, and said that it has been a real morale booster for the officers. Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to accept the report. So voted.

B. Red Cross thank you letter

Mr. Petraitis read an e-mail from Christopher Rae of the American Red Cross letting the Selectmen know that a recent home fire safety program was held in North Brookfield in conjunction with the North Brookfield Fire Department. (Attachment #3) Mr. Rae

reported that more than 90 smoke detectors were installed in 28 homes in town. The Selectmen thanked the Fire Department for their efforts.

C. Accept donations for Town House painting

Mr. Tripp noted that the Selectmen have received the following donations toward painting the Town House:

\$500 from David Harris in memory of Julie McCarthy

\$100 from Dennis and Carol Kelly

\$100 from Brandon Avery

\$35 from Bernard and Earlene Lapierre in memory of Mary Doros

Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to accept the donations. So voted.

D. Annual appointments

The Selectmen reviewed the list of town officials to be appointed as of July 1st.

(Available in the Selectmen's office) With two minor additions, Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, to appoint as written. So voted.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Kiley announced that the public has the opportunity to briefly comment through the chair. Jeff Smith of Walnut Street asked why Tucker and Smith Hanson Roads are being paved again when they were paved last fall. Mr. Kiley explained that it was the binder coat that was put down in the fall, and now the roads are receiving the top coat.

Mr. Smith asked about the status of the Town's agreement with Melink, and was told that Melink is currently in the due diligence phase of their contract.

Mr. Smith asked about the status of DEP compliance at the landfill in order to install solar panels there, and was informed that the Board of Health hopes to complete two outstanding issues by the fall, at which time DEP will review the site for compliance. Mr. Kiley pointed out that even if DEP certifies the landfill cap, it may not allow the installation of solar panels there.

Mr. Smith asked about painting the Town House, and was informed that prisoners from the Worcester County Jail will be painting the building this summer, with the Town providing paint and supplies and lunch for the men.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Dog License reminder

Mr. Tripp reminded residents that dog licenses are now overdue, and there is a \$5 late fee in place. The late fee will rise to \$25 by September 1st.

B. Sundays at Wendemuth

Mr. Petraitis read a schedule of three events scheduled for the last Sunday of June, July, and August at Wendemuth Meadow, including yoga, open mic, and a family day.

VIII. PENDING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

See attached list

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session scheduled.

There being no further business, at 6:45 PM Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to adjourn. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Scott Burton
Administrative Assistant

PROJECT STATUS AND PENDING/FUTURE SELECTMEN'S AGENDA ITEMS

PROJECT

Aztec/Mass Dev grant
Solar contracts on Municipal Property
Personnel policies
Electric aggregation
Town House restoration project
Bates Observatory
Cable license renewal
Disabilities Commission

STATUS

Pending
Pending
In progress
Pending
FOTH Capital Campaign
Pending
Pending
Pending