

**MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2107 AT 7:00 P.M.
MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL – SELECTMEN’S HEARING ROOM**

Present: Chairman; James J. Fitzgerald – Vice Chair; Joseph E. Kelleher, Clerk;
Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator; Michael G. Bradley, Chairman – Excused

Mr. Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and announced that Mr. Bradley is not here this evening as he is still recovering from back surgery and that the meeting was being recorded by MCTV. Mr. Fitzgerald then asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Administrator Report – Mr. Maresco gave an oral report on the following:

- Mr. Maresco stated that he recently signed a 3 year agreement with Great Eastern Energy with substantial savings for the town
- Mr. Maresco noted that they recently held interviews for Building Commissioner and Facilities Manager and that there will be a second round of interviews
- Mr. Maresco mentioned that he has been meeting with Department Heads and the Treasurer/Collector to go over Fiscal Year 19 Budgets
- Mr. Maresco also mentioned that he had attended a Mayflower Health Insurance meeting and that they don’t know what the rates will be
- Mr. Maresco indicated that he had attended a South Shore Town Managers Meeting and that everyone is working on their budgets and that the next meeting will be November 30th
- Mr. Maresco stated that he met with Seth Pickering of Green Communities to close out the electrical contract that the Town had for lights at the Police Station, Council on Aging and Library. Mr. Maresco indicated that for the next project he would like electrical charging stations
- Mr. Maresco mentioned that he met with Karen O’Donnell for an update on the Open Space Committee
- Mr. Maresco indicated that he has met with the Town Auditors who are here at the Town Hall going through records
- Mr. Maresco also mentioned that he met with Steve Driscoll from Eversource regarding additional tree removal throughout the town
- Mr. Maresco stated that he has met with the DPW regarding the Route 139 project, attended an EOC Drill and tomorrow will be testifying at the State House with Mike Baird on removing Marshfield from the MAPC.

Mr. Fitzgerald then asked Mr. Maresco why there was a large stuffed dog in the hearing room and Mr. Maresco explained that the stuffed dog and the afghan were donations from Norma Haskins for the auction for Community Christmas. Mr. Maresco then explained that the telethon for Community Christmas will be held on December 8, 2017 and that if anyone has any talent or donations, to please contact him. Mr. Fitzgerald thanked Mr. Maresco and George Earle and all the other people who volunteer for Community Christmas every year.

North River Arts Society – Mr. Fitzgerald read the one Day Wine and Malt Application from the North River Arts Society for the Holiday Art Sale Preview Party. Mr. Kelleher noted that they had a certificate of Liability insurance. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to approve the One Day Wine & Malt License for the North River Arts Society on November 30, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The vote was 2-0.

Declaration of Surplus Property-COA Bus – Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned that he had copy of the title for the 2008 Council on Aging bus. Mr. Maresco noted that the Town is getting a new bus and that Mr. Dello Russo has sold this particular bus for \$5,625.00. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to declare the 2008 COA Bus as surplus property and authorize Mr. Dello Russo to sell the bus to an interested party. The vote was 2-0.

Fire Department – Permission to Accept Donation – Mr. Fitzgerald read the letter from the Fire Chief requesting permission to accept a donation of \$200.00 to be put toward needed equipment. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to accept the donation from Direct Granite Counter-Top Inc. in the amount of \$200.00 the vote was 2-0.

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Acceptance of Ethic Disclosures for Michael Maresco, Town Administrator (MGL Ch. 268A) – Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned that Mr. Maresco has filed two ethics disclosures. Mr. Fitzgerald read from the first disclosure, MGL c. 26A §23(b) (3) which pertained to Mr. Maresco’s wife working in the Treasurer’s office. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to accept the Ethics Disclosure for Mr. Maresco as he will be negotiating the clerical union contracts for the town and his wife is a member. The vote was 2-0.

Mr. Fitzgerald read from the second ethics disclosure, MGL c. 26A §23(b) (3) which pertained to the fact that Mr. Maresco’s father-in-law and brother-in-law both are local fishermen and Mr. Maresco will be voting on policies and actions at the Town Pier. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to accept the ethics disclosure from Michael Maresco to dispel the appearance of a conflict with regard to his father-in-law and brother-in-law being local fishermen who work out of the Town Pier. The vote was 2-0.

The Jetty – Permission to Install a Public Christmas Tree on the Brant Rock Esplanade - Mr. Fitzgerald read the letter from Richard Vaughan owner of the Jetty requesting to place a Public Christmas Tree on the Esplanade on December 4, 2017 with a tree lighting ceremony on December 9, 2017. Mr. Kelleher mentioned that there was a license agreement between the Town and the Jetty that was used last year to place a tree on the Esplanade and that we just have to change the dates. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to allow the Jetty to install a Christmas tree on the Esplanade at Brant Rock. The vote was 2-0.

Budget Presentation – Patrick Dello Russo and Michael Maresco – Mr. Dello Russo explained that he would present FY2018 Revenue Update, a FY2019 Proposed vs. Appropriated Budget and FY2019 Fixed Costs. Mr. Dello Russo explained the Fiscal Year 2018 revenue update from July 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017. Mr. Dello Russo noted that tax collections are on pace as well as excise tax collections. Mr. Dello Russo also mentioned that the Town has done very well with meals tax which was slightly up from last year. Mr. Dello Russo noted that the DPW water shutoffs were not done from July to October and that there was an executed plan to deal with the unpaid water bills and the DPW did not follow the plan and the Town has only collected about 50%. Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Kelleher both agreed that the DPW needs to deal with this problem. Mr. Maresco indicated that they need an action plan from the DPW as they knew what needed to be done and didn’t do it. Mr. Dello Russo noted that he had not met with the schools yet. Mr. Maresco mentioned the state aid and that cuts are still a possibility but they will continue to monitor the situation. Mr. Dello Russo then discussed FY18 and FY19 requests. Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned that he used to be a member of the Capital Budget Committee and that he thought it would be a good idea to give them a total that they can work with. Mr. Dello Russo mentioned that the GIS service which had been shut off by the DPW, has been restored. Mr. Dello Russo read through the FY 2019 General Government, Public Safety, Public Works Budget slides as well as the FY2019 Health and Human Services Budget. Mr. Fitzgerald noted that the Council on Aging Director definitely needs an assistant and that it should be a priority. Mr. Dello Russo then discussed the FY19 Culture & Recreation Budget and that the Library would like to increase its hours to be open on Sundays. Mr. Dello Russo continued through the Fixed Cost Summary, the FY19 Debt Service, FY19 Health Insurance and the closing summary for the FY19. The Board thanked Mr. Dello Russo and Mr. Maresco.

Acceptance of Minutes – Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to approve the minutes of October 30, 2017. The vote was 2-0. Mr. Fitzgerald motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. There was no Executive Session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Wiedemann

Documents and exhibits presented at this meeting were the following: Hard copy of budget presentation; application and certificate of liability insurance for North River Arts Society, email from Treasurer/Collector regarding surplus vehicle with copy of title for vehicle, memo and copy of check donation from Fire Chief, two disclosures of appearance of conflict of interest from Michael Maresco, letter from the Jetty with emails from Fire Dept. and DPW with copy of grant of license agreement for placing a Christmas Tree on town property and minutes of October 30, 2017.