

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING

Monday, March 5, 2018

Town Hall, Selectmen’s Hearing Room

Present: Michael G. Bradley, Chairman; James J. Fitzgerald; Joseph E. Kelleher; Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator

Mike Bradley opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and announced that the meeting is being recorded.

Town Administrator Report – Michael Maresco provided the Board with his brief as follows:

February 26: Met with Norma Haskins of the Historical Commission regarding historical inventory.

February 27: Storm preparation meeting at EOC.

February 28: Met with Woods Hole Group regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan which the Selectmen will hear more about later.

March 1: walking tour of Library Plaza and storm preparation meeting at EOC.

March 2 until today: focused on storm response:

- schools will reopen tomorrow
- there were breaches in the seawall on Ocean Street and on Bay Avenue
- at the height of the storm 12,000 Marshfield residents were without power, currently 1200 residents are without power and Eversource hopes to have that number down to 600 by midnight tonight
- Steve Driscoll at Eversource has been very responsive during this storm, unfortunately Verizon has been very slow to respond which has caused a problem since Verizon owns the poles.
- Lt. Shaw did a great job at the EOC, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Tom Reynolds and Shawn Patterson have also been working long hours during this storm
- thousands of trees came down as well as 25-30 utility poles
- MEMA, Plymouth County Sheriff’s Department, State Police and Environmental Police were also very helpful in providing equipment and manpower.
- Lt. Governor Polito, Congressman Keating, State Senator O’Connor, and State Representative Cantwell were all in Town during the storm

Mike Bradley added his thanks to the Marshfield Police and Fire Departments and to Michael Maresco for the long hours they put in during this storm. Jim Fitzgerald added his thanks to Michael Maresco and also to Northern Construction who is currently working on seawall repairs. Joe Kelleher thanked Mr. Maresco for keeping the Board up to date throughout the storm.

Capital Projects Policy & Procedure – Patrick Dello Russo appeared before the Board and gave an overview of the newly developed capital projects policy and procedure. Mr. Dello Russo gave some details on the reason for this policy and how it will hold each department head responsible for the projects they have funded at town meeting. Jim Fitzgerald said that this is a great housekeeping policy that needs to be done in an efficient way. There was some discussion about free cash and debt service and the process for returning unspent funds. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to adopt this policy as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Pole Hearing – Enterprise Drive – Mike Bradley read into the record the public notice regarding this hearing to locate or move a pole on Enterprise Drive. Barry Maffini from UC Syngertic, a contractor for Verizon, appeared before the Board and gave a brief description of the reason for this request. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to approve this request. The vote was unanimous.

Roche Bros. – Change of Manager Hearing – Mike Bradley read into the record the public notice regarding this hearing. James Sperber, counsel for Roche Bros. appeared before the Board with the proposed new manager Phillip Pilon. Mr. Bradley noted that the Police Chief has done a background check on Mr. Pilon and has found no issues. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to approve the Change of Manager at RSBW, Inc. dba Roche Bros. Supermarket from James Myers to Phillip Pilon. The vote was unanimous.

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Woods Hole Group – Hazard Mitigation Plan Presentation – Elise Leduc, from Woods Hole Group, appeared before the Board with Town Planner Greg Guimond. Greg Guimond gave some details on the process and said that the plan needs to be submitted to the state for review by the end of March. Ms. Leduc gave an overview of the plan including the process so far and the next steps. Ms. Leduc said that the plan is currently on the website and is open for public comment until March 7. Ms. Leduc said that any changes will be made and the plan will be brought back to the Board of Selectmen for approval at their March 19 meeting before being submitted to the state. Michael Maresco said that Elise Leduc and Greg Guimond have done an outstanding job on this plan, and also thanked Rod Procaccino and the DPW for their participation.

Review and Vote on Special and Annual Town Meeting Warrants – Michael Maresco presented the Board with copies of the draft warrants and noted that the final warrant will be available for the public on March 20, 2018. Mr. Maresco read through the articles in the Special Town Meeting Warrant as follows:

STM Article 1: Unpaid bills. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 2: Bond Premium Capital Outlay. Jim Fitzgerald asked about the legality of the language in this article. Bob Galvin said that it is good as written. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 3: Professional services. Keith Polansky asked who would be explaining this article at Town Meeting. Michael Maresco said that he would give an explanation. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 4: Funding for STM in May 2018. Keith Polansky asked if there would be a joint public hearing prior to this STM. Bob Galvin said that is not necessary since it is not a budgetary article. Don Gibson asked when the Board of Selectmen would be voting to set a date for this meeting. Michael Maresco said that it will be on the Selectmen’s agenda on March 19, 2018. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 5: Funding for FY2019 Elections. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 6: Transfer from Free Cash. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 7: Insulation of Town Hall HVAC units. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 8: Land acquisition Ferry Hill Road. Jim Fitzgerald asked why there are no amounts on this article. Michael Maresco said that they will have numbers by the time the final warrants are printed for the public. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to keep this article in the warrant contingent on receipt of dollar amounts. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 9: Contractual agreements with collective bargaining units. Keith Polansky suggested that once the agreements are reached the numbers be included in a handout at town meeting. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 10: DPW Easements. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 11: Sprint lease on Pudding Hill Water Tower. Jim Fitzgerald asked how much they are offering. Bob Galvin said that he does not have a specific dollar amount but it is a generous offer at least equal to the market rate and will allow other providers to co-locate. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 12: Retained earnings. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

STM Article 13: Couch Cemetery expansion. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article.

STM Article 14: CPC purchase of Vibrotech screener. Jim Fitzgerald asked if this is an appropriate use of CPC funds. Bob Galvin said that it is allowable. Jim Fitzgerald noted that it needs CPC approval as well as approval from the Capital Budget Committee. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to leave this article on the warrant pending approval from CPC and Capital Budget Committee. The vote was unanimous.

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Michael Maresco read the note from Don Gibson regarding using a Consent Agenda at the upcoming Town Meeting. There would be one consent agenda for the Special Town Meeting and another for the Annual Town Meeting. Don Gibson said that Town Counsel has said that this system has been used successfully in Norwell to expedite the process of Town Meeting. Jim Fitzgerald asked which articles would be included. Don Gibson said that he is discussing what articles would be appropriate for inclusion with Town Counsel and will have a definite list prior to the joint public hearing.

ATM Article 1: Annual Report. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 2: Compensation of elected officials. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 3: Operating budget. Keith Polansky asked if they would be adding an Advisory Board column for the final warrant. Michael Maresco said they would. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this document. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 4: Solid Waste costs. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 5: Wastewater costs. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 6: Water costs. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 7: Capital Outlay. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 8: Revolving Funds. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 9: Stabilization Fund. Jim Fitzgerald noted that we need a dollar amount for this article. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to leave this article in the warrant contingent on receipt of dollar amount. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 10: OPEB. Jim Fitzgerald asked why this needs to be in the warrant if we are not funding until the fall. After a brief discussion it was decided that this article should be removed from the warrant.

ATM Article 11: CARF. The Board decided that this article should also be removed from the warrant.

ATM Article 12: Contractual agreements with collective bargaining units. Jim Fitzgerald asked why this article is needed in both the special and annual town meeting warrants. After a brief discussion it was decided that this should be left in both warrants. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 13: Flood maps. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 14: Recreational marijuana sales tax. Bob Galvin gave a brief explanation of this article. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 15: Senior tax relief program. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 16: Zoning bylaw recreational marijuana retailer in Industrial District. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 17: Zoning bylaw recreational marijuana definitions. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 18: Zoning bylaw recreational marijuana retailer. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 19: Outdoor recreation in PMUD. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 20: Sale of land for affordable housing. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 21: Hancock property historic restriction. Jim Fitzgerald noted that this article needs a dollar amount. Bob Galvin gave an explanation of how this process is going to work. Jim Fitzgerald asked if CPC administrative funds could be used to fund this. Bob Galvin said that he will speak with Jack Mather to come up with a “not to

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exceed” dollar amount. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to leave this article in the warrant contingent on receiving a dollar amount. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 22: Hancock property affordable housing restriction. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 23: Interest rate on deferred property taxes. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 24: Tax exemption for property valued less than \$10,000. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 25: Wetland protection buffer zones. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 26: Wetland protection burden of proof. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 27: Non-profit funding. It was noted that the Clift Rogers Library has requested \$1500; the limit for these requests is \$1000. Michael Maresco said that this number would be changed. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 28: CPC funding. After a brief discussion Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 29: Maintenance of fire hydrants. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 30: Chapter 90 funding. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 31: Maintenance and repair of private ways. There was some discussion as to whether this article is necessary. It was decided that this article should be removed from the warrant.

ATM Article 32: Repurchase of unused graves. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 33: Crushing/screening of material on Clay Pit Road. Michael Maresco noted that this needs to be approved by the Capital Budget Committee. After some discussion regarding the funding source it was decided that this article should be pulled from the warrant and reworked for the fall town meeting.

ATM Article 34: South River Park petition article. After some discussion, Michael Maresco said that he will encourage the petitioner to pull this article and bring it back in the fall.

ATM Article 35: CPA tax petition article. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, not to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 36: Reduction of single use plastic bags petition article. Michael Maresco noted that there are some questions regarding enforcement of this bylaw. Jim Fitzgerald said that he is not ready to vote on this article yet. No action was taken.

ATM Article 37: South Shore Community Action Council request for funding petition article. There was some discussion about why this request was not included as part of the non-profit funding article. Michael Maresco said that he will talk to the petitioner to see if he wants to be included in Article 27.

ATM Article 38: Dog park petition article. The board agreed that they do not have enough information to vote on this article. Michael Maresco said that he will get more information from the petitioner. No action was taken.

ATM Article 39: Reimbursement of funds petition article. Jim Fitzgerald asked about the legality of this article. Bob Galvin said that he thinks the funds have already been expended. Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, not to support this article. The vote was unanimous.

ATM Article 40: Billboard petition article. Jim Fitzgerald said that he would like to hear more information from the Town Planner regarding this article. No action was taken.

Acceptance of Minutes – Mike Bradley moved, seconded by Jim Fitzgerald, to accept the minutes of February 12, 2018. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. There was no executive session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Burke

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The following documents and exhibits were presented at the meeting: information from treasurer/collector on capital project policy and procedure; notice of public hearing for pole hearing on Enterprise Drive; petition for pole hearing on Enterprise Drive; notice of public hearing to consider change of manager at Roche Bros. Supermarket; application for change of manager and accompanying documentation from Roche Bros. Supermarket; emails regarding request to present Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Board; copy of draft Special and Annual town meeting warrants; information from Town Moderator regarding consent agenda.