

TOWN OF FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 North Main Street/P.O. Box 438 Assonet, MA 02702-0438

PHONE: 508-644-2201; FAX: 508-644-3342



MINUTES OF MEETING OF MONDAY MARCH 21, 2016

COUNCIL ON AGING 227 CHACE ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

6:00 P.M.

Call to Order Selectman Lee J. Baumgartner calls the meeting to order. Others present are Selectman Paul G. Sadeck. The meeting is being recorded by FREECAM.

Weekly Public Discussion

Mr. Joseph Monteur, 46 Chace Road he would like to discuss last night's snow plow situations he would like his property fixed where the damage is. Mr. Macomber will fix the situation.

Consent Agenda:

Board of Selectmen: Action relative to:

- Presentation by Chris Mitchell of Homes for Our Troops, on building a home for veterans in Freetown at 29 King Phillip Way. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Chris Gomes are both here to discuss the Homes for Veterans. They have built in various states. The Veteran chooses any area to live in and then the Homes for Troops build their house. Selectman Baumgartner asks if the community gets involved. Mr. Mitchell says Long Built Homes is the contractor that will build the home and then the community can get involved with Landscaping. There will be a kickoff ceremony on April 16th and then there will be a 2nd event this time for landscaping and then a 3rd one will be the key ceremony. We are shooting for 4-6 months to be done. Early Fall most likely to be done he hopes.
- Approve Chapter 90 Project Request for Richmond Rd. Bridge, as submitted by Highway Surveyor Charles Macomber. Mr. Macomber says he hopes the Board approves this for \$13,000 and if this doesn't get approved through Ch. 90 then we will need to get this approved through a Reserve Fund transfer. Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) to approve Project Request in the amount of \$13,000.00. Passed Unanimously.
- Approve Richmond Road change order as submitted by Highway Surveyor, Charles Macomber. Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) to approve in the amount of \$13,000 and if this is not approved then this Motion holds to be approved for a Reserve Fund Transfer which the Town Administrator can sign for and this can be forwarded to the Finance Committee for approval. Passed unanimously.

- Discuss/Vote Solid Waste Options. Mr. Healey states the initial proposal from Borges was \$245,000 above Mr. Howland. When we told him he was too high Mr. Borges cut his price and was \$309.00 lower. Howland Disposal recommendations were excellent when checked on. The insurance requirements were significantly higher this year as recommended by our Insurance Carrier and Town Counsel. When both Companies added that to their costs. Howland added \$8,000 per year and Borges added \$15-\$20,968 annually. Per Selectman Sadeck the savings of moving to Howland would be \$31,149.00 over a 3 year contract. Kevin Bernardo says Peter Borges has been here for many years. Howland is experienced as well. Selectman Baumgartner says \$31,000 is a lot. Mr. Borges says if I had more time regarding insurance I might have able to come down more. Selectman Pacheco says she is confused as to why the insurance is significantly higher, but she also knows Borges heart is in the Town. Selectman Sadeck thinks we should put this out to bid. Motion (Sadeck/Pacheco) to go out to bid for the most responsive and responsible bidder for Trash/Recycling. Passed unanimously.
- Approve Road Opening Permit for 62 Narrows Road/6 Causeway Street. Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) to approve the Road opening permit. Passed unanimously.
- Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes from January 26, 2016, February 3, 2016, February 22, 2016, March 7 & 9, 2016. Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) Passed unanimously. Selectman Pacheco abstains from February 3 and March 7 & March 9, 2016.
- Discussion with Lucille Rosa regarding the Library Planning & Design Grant. Passed over as Mrs. Rosa is not present. She will be invited to a later meeting.

Board of Health:

Personnel Board:

- Approve Change of Status form for Patrick Lee and Thomas Long, as submitted by Police Chief, Carlton Abbott, effective March 11, 2016. Motion (Sadeck/Baumgartner). Passed unanimously.
- Accept Lydia St. Laurent's letter of Resignation, effective April 2, 2016. Motion (Sadeck/Baumgartner) to approve her resignation. Passed unanimously.
- Approve Change of Status form for Lydia St. Laurent, as submitted by Police Chief, Carlton Abbott, effective April 2, 2016. Motion (Sadeck/Baumgartner) to approve her appointment. Passed unanimously.

New Business

 Dates for upcoming Board of Selectmen Meetings, Tuesday April 5th, Tuesday April 19th, May 2nd, May 16th, Tuesday May 31st.

Old Business:

- Water Agreement Selectman Sadeck said he received data he was looking and asked Jack to contact Town Counsel.
- Work on new language for Personnel by-law

Lisa Pacheco says she knows the Town has lost a great man in Mike Pillarella passing and hopes that his family is doing as well as can be expected.

Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) to adjourn at 6:40p.m. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ali Golz, Administrative Assistant