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MINUTES OF MEETING OF MONDAY MAY 02, 2016

**COUNCIL ON AGING
227 CHACE ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS**

Selectman Paul Sadeck calls meeting to order. Those present are Selectmen Lisa Pacheco, Selectmen Robert Jose and Town Administrator Jack Healey. The meeting is being recorded by FREECAM.

6:00 P.M. Costa Drive – Public Meeting

- Selectman Sadeck explains this is a Public Meeting and says the Planning Board forwarded a letter to the Board recommending this be accepted. All abutters have been notified. Selectman Sadeck asks for the representatives of the development to come forward. Brad Fitzgerald of SFG Engineering and Ms. Antonelle Costa are in attendance. Mr. Fitzgerald goes over the road acceptance plan. There are 8 waivers that have been granted by the Planning Board. Selectman Jose asks when the final top coat was laid. Mr. Fitzgerald would guess sometime in 2006. He states that there are only 6 homes on the street so it is not a high traffic road.
- Motion (Pacheco/Jose) to approve the intention to layout the way and place as an Article on the Warrant with the 8 waivers granted by the Planning Board. Passed unanimously.
- Motion (Pacheco/Jose) to approve the layout as shown on the street acceptance plan with the 8 waivers that were granted by the Planning Board. Passed unanimously.

6:05 P.M. Proprietor Acres (King Philip Way/Jordan Lane) – Public Meeting

- Selectman Sadeck explains that he spoke with Lauren Moreau of the Planning Board and is satisfied of this Road Acceptance Plan. Selectman Sadeck asks for any representative of the development to come forward. Mr. Alan Ewing of Ewing Engineering is present. Mr. Healey explains that

a land owner came in and asked if there is a resident that owns a lot that operates a business. Alan Ewing, engineer for Proprietor Acres states he knows of none. He does know of a property that is an eyesore. All Board of Selectmen say this has nothing to do with the Road Acceptance and direct Mr. Healey to speak with Mr. Barbato our Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Agent and have him go out to look at this property. Notice was sent out to all the abutters.

- **Motion (Pacheco/Jose) to approve the intention to layout the way and place as an Article on the Warrant, there were no plans here and the applicant said there were no waivers granted. Passed unanimously.**
- **Motion (Pacheco/Jose) there were no plans available at this meeting and there we no waivers known. Passed unanimously.**

6:15 P.M. Meeting with Resident regarding recent Fire at home and request for Mobile home at their property.

- **Mrs. Janine Sorelle would like to place a mobile home at her property because of the fire damage while the new home is being reconstructed. The new home will be rebuilding from the foundation ground up. Health Agent Kevin Bernardo said it has passed Title 5. Selectman Sadeck says the request is to consider a 1 year permit, we can extend it if need be. We will need to revisit it one year from now if construction warrants it.**
 - **Motion (Jose/Pacheco) to give a variance for a Mobile home for one year. Passed unanimously.**

Weekly Public Discussion

- **Wendy Graca – 3 Dr Braley Rd.** She addresses the board and wants to know if they heard about the explosion in PA. There was a pipeline 500' from their home and the pipeline Algonquin wants to put near my home is 50' away. The person in PA is now in ICU. She is asking Freetown Selectman to get vocal to back behind the residents. This is going in near us and this is dangerous for our Town. The Town isn't getting anything for this but Acushnet is. She understands this is a Federal thing but the Town's need to speak out. Other towns are adopting resolutions and other towns are

writing to FERC. Selectman Pacheco would like to know the latest update from Algonquin. Mr. Healey says there are hearings coming up. Mrs. Graca would like the Town Reps to come to those hearings. Selectman Pacheco wants to know if she has spoken to State Reps about this. Mrs. Graca says she has. She is asking for some action on the Town's behalf. Selectman Sadeck says we can talk about this on the next meeting. Selectman Jose asks how about putting this on the warrant. Mrs. Graca wants to know how old the pipelines are and how long will the emergency response will be? The Board would like to have Jonathan review this and also have him look at a possible warrant article.

- **Mrs. Jann Macomber of 5 Keene Road** - She would like to know if the Town is investigating what they are responsible to do for maintenance and if Algonquin has contacted them to survey the Roads. Selectman Sadeck says the only time they need permission is if they cut the roads. The Town denied access to them previously to survey the Town property. Mrs. Macomber just wants to make sure they are doing things properly. Selectman Pacheco wants to know if they would like to have a separate meeting with the State reps and our Senator. Mrs. Graca said that would work if you think it would help.

Consent Agenda:

Board of Selectmen: Action relative to:

- Award Trash/Recycling Contract. Mr. Healey states that there were 4 bidders and Dan Higgins from Allied Waste came in the lowest. He goes over the bids. Allied came in at \$1,007,868.00. Mr. Healey states that the bids is to be awarded to the most responsive and responsible bidder. We did do our own reference checks. The Board has those results and they were all positive. The Board now needs to award the contract. Selectman Pacheco asks if Mr. Healey did an apple to apples analysis. He states he did. She asks if there are any restrictions. Mr. Higgins says other than what has been outlined in the proposed contract no, He says they will adhere to what is in the contract. Selectman Pacheco asks if there will be any cost to residents for purchase of materials. Mr. Higgins says there are no additional bins required. Selectman Jose asks if this will all be single stream. Mr. Higgins says it will.
 - Motion (Jose/Pacheco) to accept Allied bids. Passed unanimously. Selectman Sadeck says he has to commend the sitting Board at the time that caused the Board to go out to bid because we didn't have to go out to bid. Had we not done that then we would have been paying more money. He also would

like to say that the current Board is also great because we are accepting it. We have saved \$475,000 over 3 years and that must be said.

- Approve Reserve Fund transfer request as submitted by Town Administrator Jack Healey.
 - Motion (Pacheco/Jose) to send to the Finance Committee in the amount of \$8,109.00. Passed unanimously.
- Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes of April 19, 2016. Pacheco would like to minutes to reflect the following changes: Selectman Pacheco came in late to the meeting; Selectman Pacheco wants you to remove the line that states she said the department was understaffed.
 - Motion (Jose/Pacheco) to approve the minutes with those changes as stated above by Selectman Pacheco. Passed unanimously.
- Approve request by the Tuesday Club for the use of the Assonet Bandstand for the Strawberry Festival on June 19, 2016 from 11am to 4p.m.
 - Motion (Pacheco/Jose) for the Tuesday Club to use the Bandstand on June 19, 2016. Passed unanimously.
- Approve Schedule for New Cruiser lease.
 - Motion (Pacheco/Jose) to approve the schedule for the new cruise lease. Passed unanimously.
- Town Administrator's Report. Mr. Healey reads his report to the Board. He has been working to get an answer from Old Colony regarding their breakdown as well as scheduling MIIA trainings and working on the MS4 report.

Board of Health:

- Discuss/Approve Tobacco Fees. Kevin Bernardo, Health Agent explains we currently are supposed to do compliance checks at every store in Freetown but do not. We need to implement this. The cost would be \$30 per store. We should increase our fees to \$30.00, we need to get the regulations, signage and compliance. Currently we charge \$25.00. Selectman Jose ask if we charge \$30 then the overage would have to come out of the health budget so why wouldn't we go just up to \$55.00. Mr. Bernardo explains that all neighboring towns charge an average of \$125.
 - Motion (Sadeck/Pacheco) to raise the cost of the fee from \$25.00 to \$55.00 annually. Passed unanimously. This would begin January 1, 2017.

Mr. Bernardo explains that the other regulation that was passed by the Senate and will go to the legislature there is no selling of tobacco products at pharmacies and no vapors at the workplace.

Personnel Board:

- Accept Bradford Paiva's resignation from the Finance Committee, effective at the conclusion of Town meeting.
 - Motion (Jose/Sadeck) Passed unanimously. Board would like a letter to be sent to Mr. Paiva for his years of service.
- Accept Letter of Resignation from Robert Jose from Zoning Board of Appeals effective, April 18, 2016.
 - Motion (Sadeck/Pacheco), Selectman Jose abstains. The Board would like a letter to be sent to Mr. Jose and also post vacancy on the town Web site.
- Reappoint Lisa Podielsky Animal Control Officer, effective April 30, 2016.
 - Motion (Sadeck/Jose) Passed unanimously.
- Reappoint Robert Klevecka Veteran's Agent/Graves Officer, effective March 31, 2016.
 - Motion (Sadeck/Jose) to appoint Robert Klevecka to Veteran's Agent/Graves Officer. Passed unanimously.
- Reappoint members of the Tax Increment Board, effective April 30, 2016.
 - Motion (Jose/Pacheco) to appoint Selectman Sadeck to the Board, Selectman Sadeck says nay.
- Reappoint Jack Healey to the JTPG Group, effective May 02, 2016.
 - Motion (Sadeck/Jose) to appoint Mr. Healey and Lauren Moreau as Alternation.
- Appoint a Board of Selectman Representative to the Bristol County Advisory Board.
 - Motion (Jose/Sadeck) to appoint Selectman Sadeck to Bristol county Advisory Board. Passed Unanimously.
- Discuss appointment for Board of Selectmen Representative for SRTA.
 - Motion (Pacheco/Sadeck) to appoint Selectman Jose to serve as SRTA Rep. Passed unanimously.

New Business

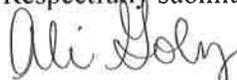
- Dates for upcoming Board of Selectmen Meetings, May 16th, Tuesday May 31st, *Monday June 6th Special/Annual Town Meeting*, Monday June 13th, Monday June 27th, Monday July 12th, Monday July 25th Monday August 8st, August 23rd.

Old Business:

- Water Agreement

Motion to adjourn (Jose/Pacheco) at 7:15pm Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Ali Golz, Administrative Assistant