

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2020 – 7 PM**

PRESENT: Mr. Dario F. Nardi; Chairman, Mr. John Nason, Vice-Chairman and Mr. Marc Richard, Clerk

ATTENDEES: See Attached List

Opened the Meeting at 7:00 PM

Mr. Nardi opened the meeting and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Nardi also advised all that this evening's meeting is being both video and audio taped.

MINUTES

Motion to approve the Minutes of February 3, 2020 as written made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Nason – 2 Yes, 1 Abstention (Mr. Nardi – Absent)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. *The office received the monthly reports from Police, Fire and CERT/EM for the month ending January 2020. - Noted*
2. *Quaboag Regional has requested that the residents are made aware of their new policy regarding the prohibitions of animals from school grounds. The full policy can be found on the town's website at www.warren-ma.gov. - Noted*
3. *As a reminder, the Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 14th from 9 AM to 11 AM at the Highway Garage. The Town Clerk will be present to issue dog licenses for 2020. License fees for dogs will be \$11.00 for unsprayed animals and \$7.00 for neutered male or spayed female. **Bring our last rabies certificate with you.** - Noted*

APPOINTMENTS

Motion to appoint Catherine M. Duncan as an Election Worker until December 31, 2020 as requested by the Town Clerk made by Mr. Nason; second: Mr. Richard – unanimous.

Motion to appoint Catherine M. Duncan and Kathleen Odiorne both for a three year term to the Cultural Council as requested made by Mr. Nason; second: Mr. Richard –unanimous.

ONE-DAY LIQUOR LICENSE

Motion to approve a request for a One-day liquor license for the West Warren Public Library for Saturday, April 4, 2020 made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Nason – unanimous.

TREASURY WARRANTS

Motion to approve and sign the Warrants as presented made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Nason – unanimous

NEW BUSINESS

*Mr. Nardi completed Chief Millette's performance evaluation and was please to provide a copy to his fellow Board members. Based on his evaluation, Mr. Nardi would like to ask Chief Millette to come at our next meeting to have an open questions and answer period for residents. At the conclusion, Mr. Nardi will be requesting a vote of the Board to either appoint (Interim) Chief Millette as Chief and negotiate a contract or proceed with the search committee. Both Mr. Nason and Mr. Richard were in agreement.

FY 21 BUDGET

*The Board met earlier today and reviewed the budget submissions. Some departments were approved as submitted, some with changes by the Board and others were passed over for more discussion. The budgets that were changed (lowered) by the Board were will be made aware of their vote and should they wish to discuss further, they will be invited into an upcoming meeting.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT POSITION

*Initial interviews have been scheduled for March 2nd and 4th and the Board is looking to have someone in place shortly in order to be able to work with Mrs. Witaszek for a few weeks prior to her retirement.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Mr. Soltys questioned the issue with WCAT-TV12 as it has been out for some time. Apparently a piece of equipment went down, however should be fixed shortly. Mr. Kordek again questioned the cell tower.

Chief Lavoie stated that the Pathfinder students completed the retro fitting of the LED lights at Station A. He is hoping to have Station B done during the upcoming new fiscal year. Chief Lavoie will send a thank you letter on behalf of the town.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Richard; second: Mr. Nason – unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Administrative Secretary

Marc W. Richard, Clerk

