



Town of West Boylston
140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583

Board of Selectmen/Sewer Commission Meeting Minutes

Date / Time / Location of Meeting March 7, 2018; 6:45 p.m.; Rm 210 Town Hall

Members Present John W. Hadley, Chairman Christopher A. Rucho, Vice Chair Barur R. Rajeshkumar, Clerk Patrick J. Crowley, Selectman Siobhan M. Bohnson, Selectman

Members NOT Present

Invited Guests:

Welcome – Call to Order

Time: 6:45 pm

Mr. Rucho will chair the meeting this evening.

Motion Mr. Rajeshkumar at 6:45 p.m. to enter into executive session under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30a, Section 21(A), Part 2 to discuss contract negotiations with non-union personnel, the Police Chief, seconded by Mr. Crowley. Roll call vote: Mr. Rajeshkumar yes, Mr. Rucho yes, Mr. Hadley yes, Mr. Crowley yes, Ms. Bohnson yes. The Board will reconvene in open session.

Motion Mr. Crowley at 7:32 p.m. to come out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Rajeshkumar. Roll call vote: Mr. Rajeshkumar yes, Mr. Crowley yes, Mr. Rucho yes, Ms. Bohnson yes, Mr. Hadley yes.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – 7:15PM (tentative):

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:35 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 7:15PM:

No one who came forward under this agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

February 17, 2018 regular session

Motion to Accept: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Seconded: Mr. Crowley

Result: All in favor

February 21, 2018 regular session

Motion to Accept: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Seconded: Ms. Bohnson

Result: All in favor

February 21, 2018 executive session

Motion to Accept: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Seconded: Mr. Crowley

Result: All in favor

February 24, 2018 regular session

Motion to Accept: Mr. Crowley

Seconded: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Result: All in favor

February 24, 2018 executive session

Motion to Accept: Mr. Crowley

Seconded: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Result: All in favor

February 28, 2018 regular session

Motion to Accept: Ms. Bohnson

Seconded: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Result: All in favor

Mr. Rucho thanked the over 1,100 residents who came out to vote, the over 400 who attended town meeting and the over 100 who attended the informational sessions. He apologized to the residents in the overflow room. He contacted the Town Administrator the morning of the meeting to have an overflow room set up. In the future there should be no problem we should have a camera in there and somebody in place to oversee the room. During the meeting he was getting texts from people in the room that they were having a problem hearing. He believes everybody was counted.

Review and vote to approve warrants for the period covering February 22, 2018 to March 7, 2018: payable warrants for the town FY2018-35 & 36, payroll warrant FY2018 #18, Municipal Light Plant Warrant FY18 #20, sewer warrant FY2018-SE22, and school warrant FY2018-14

Motion to Accept: Mr. Crowley

Seconded: Mr. Rajeshkumar

Result: All in favor

DPW DIRECTOR VERNON JACKSON – this agenda item will be passed over this evening in light of the snow storm. Items are Superior – consider paying for grinder pump and announce that the town will be getting \$290,386 in Chapter 90 funds for FY2019 and report on 2018 streets

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Vote on Council on Aging temporary quarters

Mr. Rucho explained that the Board previously passed over this agenda item because the Council on Aging had a meeting on Monday night. He attended the meeting and explained what the landlord was offering. They voted unanimously to go along with the moved. They said they wanted to thank the residents of the town for the new senior center and they will work together to make the temporary quarters work the best it can.

Ms. Scheipers reports that we had a logistical meeting today with the Director of the Council on Aging on the things we need to do and Mr. Migridichian will be helping her with a few things. Tonight we need to vote to approve moving ahead to the First Congregational Church and we need to discuss some amendments to the lease. There are some rooms which will be shared space and the Director has no problem with that.

Motion Mr. Crowley to agree to move the senior center into the First Congregational Church, second by Ms. Bohnson, all in favor.

The draft lease agreement takes the existing extension of lease document and modifies it by putting in the provisions. Rather than waiving all future lease payments the landlord is requesting payment for half the month of April as we anticipate being out of 127 Hartwell Street and moved into the church by April 17. We will start moving items into the church before that date. Some of the other changes include the timing of the two gifts. Mr. Migridichian is asking if he could process the check by the end of the business calendar year 2018 and the second payment would be within the calendar year 2019 perhaps at the Senior Center open house. Mr. Migridichian explained that he would like to make one donation in each calendar year and he would like to have an opportunity to thank people for their cooperation. All of the other items are in the agreement. Mr. Crowley asked if the language is general enough so we could use it towards the senior center operations if that is what is decided. Ms. Scheipers replied yes. Mr. Migridichian received an email from the Director and they are starting to coordinate the moving process. Mr. Rucho suggested that if some of the cabinets in the kitchen are not used, perhaps we could make them lockable and have use of them.

Motion Mr. Crowley to approve the draft lease with the changes discussed pending approval from town counsel and authorize the Chairman to sign, seconded by Ms. Bohnson, all in favor.

Mr. Rucho noted that the Council on Aging Director and the Council on Aging will work to make the location work and we may use other facilities for some of the programs.

The following items posted on the agenda under this category will be passed over tonight: Drawing for islands/squares, Approve hiring of Margot Wattu as Production Assistant for WBPA-TV, at Step 2 of Grade 2, \$14.75 an hour and Board spokesperson

OLD BUSINESS:

The following items posted on the agenda under this category will be passed over tonight: Continue discussion about amendments to Policy on Business License Applications, Update on Board and Town Administrator's goals, Town Clerk Stipend, Consider joining the Class Action Suit on opioids, and Initial TIF discussion for 127 Hartwell Street

FISP UPDATE:

1.Invoices:

WB Mason, Invoice #152355029, \$704.70 police station – motion Mr. Rajeshkumar to approve, seconded by Ms. Bohnson, all in favor.

WB Mason, Invoice #152371096, \$924.00 - police station – motion Mr. Crowley to approve, seconded by Mr. Rajeshkumar, all in favor

RAC invoice release of \$13,000 – the other night FISP voted to release \$3,000.

Motion Mr. Crowley to release \$3,000, second by Ms. Bohnson, all in favor.

MEETINGS, INVITATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1.March 14, 2018, 6:45 p.m. special Board meeting, public hearing on ambulance rates

The following items posted on the agenda under this category will be passed over tonight:

March 21, 2018, 7:15 p.m. public hearing on Policy K-2, the Lowering of the United States Flag to Half Staff Over Municipal Property and 7:30 p.m. public hearing on Policy K-5 Workmen's Compensation Policy; Announce that the Economic Development Task Force is taking applications for Gateway Sign until March 23 and Announce schedule for May 21, 2018 Semi-Annual Town Meeting

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/SELECTMENS REPORTS:

There are no reports this evening.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.: Mr. Crowley

Seconded: Ms. Bohnson

Result: All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: March 21, 2018

Nancy E. Lucier, Municipal Assistant

John W. Hadley, Chairman

Christopher A. Rucho, Vice Chairman

Barur R. Rajeshkumar, Clerk

Siobhan M. Bohnson, Selectman

Patrick J. Crowley, Selectman