

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Bridgewater Town Hall

7:00pm

Minutes

Present: Curtis Read, Alan Brown, Laz Pinter

Guests: Eric Soetbeer, Anne Marie Wagner

Mr. Read called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 24<sup>th</sup>, January 11<sup>th</sup> and the December 14, 2021 Board of Selectmen's meeting, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

**Public Comment:** None

**Correspondence:** Trinity Contract for Medic 4, see attached. Alan Ponanski, regarding the AG's office approval to demolish the Grange Hall building, see attached. Dainus Virbickas, regarding the proposed sidewalk from the municipal parking lot to center street, see attached. Meghan Bennett, regarding the crosswalk from Burnham School to Warner Rd., see attached.

**Resignations:** Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the resignations of Russell Marcus from the Planning and Zoning alternate board, and Jim Moker from the Recreation Commission, seconded by Mr. Pinter, see attached.

**Vacancies:** Inland Wetlands, Inland Wetlands Alternate, Planning and Zoning Alternate, Recreation Commission.

**Appointments:** Mr. Brown made a motion to appoint Mike Dubos to the Planning and Zoning Alternate Board to fill a vacancy, seconded by Mr. Read. All voted in favor. Motions carry.

**New Business**

**Recreation Commission Ballfield discussion:** Eric Soetbeer explained the activities planned for the next year at the Johnson Ballfield. Mr. Brown made a motion to support the renovation of the Johnson field with ARPA funds or the Harris Fund up to \$30,000, to be determined at a Town Meeting, to be managed by the Recreation Commission, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

**Tax Collector's report:** Read for the record, see attached.

**Tax Refunds:** Mr. Brown made a motion to approve tax refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector (see attached), seconded by Mr. Pinter, all voted in favor. Motion carries.

**Treasurer's report:** Read for the record, see attached.

**Affordable Housing Plan approval:** WCCOG has prepared the AHP, Mr. Read is working on the Bridgewater Annex. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve community value statement as it refers to Bridgewater, regardless of any language referring to a region, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

**Plan of Conservation and Development progress report:** discussion, the plan needs to be revised every ten years by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Greenleaf Energy Solar application:** Mr. Brown made a motion to authorize the 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman to make an application to Greenleaf Energy for a solar energy package and submit a letter of intent, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

Budget initiation: discussion, no action taken.

Capital Budget/ARPA spending plan: discussion, no action taken (see decision to support the renovation of the Johnson Field, earlier).

**Old Business:**

**Town Recycling sticker program:** no action taken

Mr. Pinter would like to officially thank the Department of Public Works for all of their hard work. Mr. Read and Mr. Brown agree.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Brown at 8:27pm, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Marie Wagner  
Assistant to the First Selectman