# BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING Tuesday, February 13, 2024 Bridgewater Town Hall 7:00pm

### Minutes

Present: Curtis Read, Alan Brown, Laz Pinter

Guests: Alex McNaughton, Joe Buchheit, Catherine Vikstrom, Lisa Provino, Cheryl Pinkos, Tamsen Looker, Susan Wilcox, Anne Marie Wagner

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

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Mr. Pinter made a motion to approve the amended minutes from the December 23, 2023, Board of Selectmen's Meeting, seconded by Mr. Read. Mr. Brown abstained. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence: Elliott Woolwhich, see attached.

Resignations: none

Vacancies: Lake Lillinonah Authority, Recreation Commission

Appointments: None

#### **New Business**

**Tax Refunds**: Mr. Pinter made a motion to approve the Tax Refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector, see attached, seconded by Mr. Brown. All voted in favor, motion carried.

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

#### Treasurer's Report: none

**Budget priorities for FY25**: discussion, Mr. Read talked about the Regional School District 12 budget. He expected the budget to go down because of a decrease in students from Bridgewater. Because of operating budget increases, that will not happen.

**WCCOG Automated Enforcement Safety Devices:** Discussion, Mr. Read explained that the region is looking into automated speed and stop sign cameras to increase enforcement and fines.

**Town Attorney Retirement**: Dolores Scheisel has retired and recommended Joe Mortelletti as her replacement from Cramer and Anderson.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program Agreement: Mr. Brown made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carried.

**Veteran's Memorial:** The kiosk was delivered. There will be fundraising for the monument.

Notice of Reopening of Contract, Teamsters Union: The current Teamsters Contract expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Read will be working on negotiations.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

**Town owned buildings**: The Captain's House is 99% completed. The Senior Center is in need of improvements.

<u>Volunteer Fire Fighter Tax Abatement:</u> Discussion, no action taken. Mr. Read will contact CIRMA and look into programs at other Volunteer Fire Departments.

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn at 7:38pm, seconded by Mr. Pinter. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Marie Wagner Assistant to the First Selectman