

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Bridgewater Town Hall

July 13, 2021

7:00pm

Minutes

Present: Curtis Read, Alan Brown, Laz Pinter

Guests: Anne Marie Wagner, Susan Patrick, Loumarie Rodriguez, Theresa Angell

Mr. Read called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2021 Board of Selectmen's meeting seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

Public Comment: Josh Murphy informed the Board that the Fair had been cancelled due to many factors but that they are considering other fundraising opportunities.

Correspondence: None

Resignations: Dirk Feather, Loise Marble, Lori Franklin, Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commission
Ed Devoe, Planning and Zoning Commission
Cynthia Bennett, Republican Registrar of Voters

Vacancies: (see above)

Appointments: Mr. Brown made a motion to reappoint Christian Stuart to the Recreation Commission, seconded by Mr. Pinter. the All voted in favor, motion carries.

New Business

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

Tax Refunds: Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the tax refunds as submitted by the Tax Collector in a memo dated 7/13/21 (see attached), seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

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

Scholarship Commission: see attached correspondence from Dolores Schiesel, Cramer & Anderson. No action taken.

LCD Contract: Mr. Brown made a motion to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract between the Town of Bridgewater and LCD, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

Shared Resident Trooper Contract: Mr. Brown made a motion to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract between the Town of Bridgewater and the State of CT for the services of resident state police troopers, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All voted in favor, motion carries.

CT Challenge request for use of Town roads: see attached.

Recommendation to P&Z re: marijuana dispensaries: Mr. Pinter made a motion that the Board of Selectmen recommend the least aggressive path of allowance, and to act in the most restrictive way to curtail cannabis retail and to proceed to enact an ordinance to disallow use of cannabis on municipally owned or controlled property, seconded by Mr. Brown. All voted in favor, motion carries.

Parking Lot engineering update: Mr. Read reported that the engineer may have a design by the August meeting. He also reported that after a very hard rain, the rain garden was functioning perfectly, as designed.

Office of the Registrars of Voters changes: Mr. Read reported that we had two new Democratic candidates and that Ron Kutz would be appointing one of them as his Deputy. He would like to revisit the salaries for the registrars, as well as other positions.

Speed signs grand received: see attached.

Grange update: Discussion, no action taken. Mr. Read would like to go forward with a request for bids for demo and salvage of historic wood. He will discuss with the Town Attorney for a legal opinion.

Old Business

Request from William T. Stuart: Discussion, No action taken.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Brown at 8:31pm, seconded by Mr. Pinter. All in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Marie Wagner
Assistant to the First Selectman