MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING MARCH 26, 2019

PRESENT: Matthew J. Furlong (Chairman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Vice-Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Clerk), John G. Brown, Jr. (Selectman), Daniel W. Trabucco (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Interim Town Manager), Stephen Curley, Jessica Rushing, Arthur Egerton, Sabrina Chilcott (Assistant to the Town Manager), and others.

At 7:30 pm, Mr. Furlong opened the meeting and advised that this meeting is being made available to the public through a live video and audio broadcast on Comcast Government Access Channel 15 and is also being recorded for airing on the channel at future dates. Comments made in open session will be recorded. The applicant for the 7:30 pm hearing arrived at 7:35 pm.

CONSIDER A VOTE ON SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATION ON ANNUAL WARRANT ARTICLES 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

Mr. Furlong read the summaries of article thirteen through sixteen. Mr. Trabucco inquired as to the Town Manager's recommendation on articles 16 and 17; Mr. Thorne stated that he recommends against this article as there is no funding mechanism for article 16, the annual request for additional funding for a Generalist Reference Librarian to support the position full-time. Mr. Thorne advised that his recommendation is to support article 17 as the Council on Aging Van Driver's position is funded through GATRA reimbursement. Mr. Trabucco moved to recommend favorable action on articles 13, 14, 15, and 17 and to table article `6 to the next meeting. Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER A VOTE: SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATION ON CITIZEN'S PETITION WARRANT ARTICLES 36 AND 37

Discussion ensued on possible budget inclusion of appropriation for SSCAC. Mr. Boulter moved favorable action article 37 submitted by Pembroke Celebrates with Fireworks; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Trabucco moved to table article 36 to the next meeting; Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2019

Mr. Boyle moved to approve the minutes of March 19, 2019 as written; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Trabucco advised that the Town Manager Search Committee will be meeting at Town Hall March 27th at 7:00 pm and all are welcome to attend.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Washington Street Housing and Nature Preserve Parcels

Mr. Thorne stated that he has spoken with the property owner and advised that the town does not manager properties, referring him to the Pembroke Housing Authority regarding the housing parcel, but that the town would like to have further discussion regarding the nature preserve.

ASK THE SELECTMEN

Mr. Furlong updated the public by stating that he is not seeking re-election to his seat. Mr. Boulter stated that herring have begun migrating and vandalism has been observed along the run, police have been notified and the HFC members have logged over 400 hours in the streams thus far this year.

At 7:48 pm, Mr. Furlong read the upcoming issues from the agenda. At 7:50, Mr. Boyle moved to enter executive session under M.G.L. c.30A, Sec. 21 (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares: DPW Union Grievance. Mr. Furlong so declared, and Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. By roll call: Mr. Boulter – yes, Mr. Boyle – yes, Mr. Brown – yes, Mr. Trabucco – yes, Mr. Furlong – yes.

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MATERIALS & EXHIBITS

Draft Annual Town Meeting Warrant (BOS/TM Office)
Draft Minutes of March 19, 2019 (BOS/TM Office)