

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Brown volunteered to serve on a joint budget subcommittee. Mr. Boyle moved to appoint Daniel Trabucco and John Brown to a joint budget subcommittee; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

7:30 (7:50) KYLE HARNEY: REQUEST FOR FIREWORKS FUNDING, PEMBROKE SALUTES SERVICE

Mr. Harney was present before the Board on the renamed Pembroke Celebrates Service event scheduled at the High School in September. Mr. Harney stated that \$9,000 would fund a respectable show and \$15,000 would fund a fantastic show. The Pembroke Fun Committee has raised \$4200 and has an additional \$1500 pledged that has not yet been received. Mr. Harney stated that last year there were 1,000 people at the tailgate event and the event was a success. He further stated that the Committee's goal is to fully fund this event in the future without relying on town funding. Mr. Trabucco asked if the Committee had \$4,800 from the town to join with the raised \$4,200 could they host the event; Mr. Harney stated that yes they can. Mr. Thorne recommended that the Board wait until the next meeting to vote this item; Mr. Boyle moved to table this item for one week; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

REVIEW OF SENIOR ABATEMENT STATISTICS AND DATA

Mr. Stone was present on behalf of the 150 seniors who qualify by meeting the criteria for a senior Municipal Users Fee abatement in the post of \$140. Mr. Stone stated that the Board reviewed the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund status and agreed to leave the trash rate at \$280. Mr. Stone was present to request reconsideration of the Board's June 11th vote to reduce the senior abatement amount of \$140 to \$80. Discussion ensued. Mr. Thorne stated that finance team evaluated the costs to run the programs and determined a value of half (\$140) as tax to fund the capping of the landfill, running and operating the Recycling Center as well as the programs it offers. The remaining value of half (\$140) funds solid waste and recycling curbside collection; when someone is abated at half the bill, they pay nothing toward the curbside collection costs associated with their home, so the proposal of abating half of the curbside cost at \$70 was a logical financial approach to the billing, as the past practice of abating half of the total was in error. Discussion ensued on the cost of the program versus the seniors need for relief. Mr. Trabucco (who was on the prevailing side of the vote on June 25) moved to reconsider the vote of June 11; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was 4/1 with Mr. Brown opposed. Town Accountant Michael Buckley explained that there is a strong likelihood that the Board will need to increase the trash rate in the fall due to the rising costs of recycling disposal. Regarding the senior abatement, the discussion will include whether the seniors will either pay 100% of the fixed costs (\$140) and 0% of the variable costs or pay fixed costs like all other accounts at 100% (\$140) and the variable costs at half, or \$70. Mr. Thorne advised that the town was paid for recycling less than a year ago; as of last week, the town was paying \$61/ton which is higher than the rate of trash disposal. Mr. Thorne stated that recyclable material accounts for approximately 26% of the total tonnage. Mr. Thorne recommended placing this on the next agenda; consensus was achieved.

CONSIDER A VOTE TO REAPPOINT UNPAID BOARD, COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CANDIDATES

Mr. Furlong named the unpaid reappointment candidates with their boards and terms; Sue Ellen Hewitt, Council on Aging, term expires 2021; James Kinkade, Council on Aging, term expires 2021; Kyle Harney, Cultural Council, term expires 2021; and Emily Norman, Town Landing Committee, term expires 2021. Mr. Boulter moved to reappoint the candidates as listed; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER A VOTE TO REAPPOINT ANNUAL PAID POSITIONS

Mr. Furlong named the unpaid reappointment candidates with their boards and terms; Animal Control Officer William Hart, term expires 2019; Animal Inspector Lisa Cullity, term expires 2019; Emergency Management Co-Director Chief Richard Wall, term expires 2019; Emergency Management Co-Director Chief J. Michael Hill, term expires 2019; Sealer of Weights and Measures Joseph Suppa, term expires 2019; Town Clock Winder Robert Hynes, term expires 2019; Town Counsel KP Law, P.C., term expires 2019; Veteran's Service Office/Veteran's Agent Robin Kernan term expires 2019.

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CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT LAURA DASILVA TO THE PEMBROKE CULTURAL COUNCIL

Mr. Boyle moved to appoint Laura DaSilva to the Pembroke Cultural Council term to expire in 2021; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2018

Mr. Boyle oved to accept the minutes of June 11, 2018 as presented; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was 4/0/1 with Mr. Boulter abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS

Record of Approved Bills and Payrolls June 18, 2018

Mr. Boulter reported that on June 18, 2018 he personally reviewed two account payable warrants totaling \$123,645.25 and one payroll warrants totaling \$251,659.73 prepared by the Town Accountant and authorized the itemized expenditures for payment.

Vacancies on CPC

Mr. Trabucco stated that there are two vacancies on the CPC, one Panning Board representative and one Open Space representative and he encouraged the public to consider volunteering locally.

LED Trucks (Mobile Billboards)

Mr. Furlong asked Mr. Thorne for an update on the possibility of banning LED truck displays; Mr. Thorne stated that the Mass Managers Association managers polled have not yet come across this issue.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Vote to Reorganize Town Administrator's Office Staff

Mr. Thorne advised the Board that the final step in reorganizing the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator's office is to eliminate the second Principal Clerk's position and replace it with an Administrative Assistant's position; the best practice in the executive office is to have tiered levels of experience and qualifications with ongoing training to maintain depth, promote internal growth and improve support to the executive staff. Mr. Boyle moved the Town Administrator's recommendation. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

At 8:45 pm, Mr. Furlong read the upcoming issues from the agenda.

At 8:45 pm, Mr. Trabucco moved to enter executive session under M.G.L. c.30A, Sec. 21 (2) to conduct strategy sessions in contract negotiations with nonunion personnel: Police Chief; and (3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares: River Marsh, Water Street, MH-916. Mr. Furlong declared it so and stated that the Board will return to open session. Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote by roll call: Boyle – yes, Brown – yes, Boulter – yes, Trabucco – yes, Furlong – yes.

MATERIALS & EXHIBITS

Unpaid Reappointment Candidate List (BOS/TA Office)

Paid Appointment Candidate List (BOS/TA Office)

Email, L. McCollum RE: Appointment L. DaSilva (BOS/TA Office)

Draft Minutes of June 11, 2018 (BOS/TA Office)

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