

Minutes of Meeting – October 31, 2018; meeting called to order at 7:00pm. Present: Ken Fowler; Dave Roche; Ed Lane; Neal Maxymillian; Warren Archey.

Chairman Fowler reminded everyone that there is a Special Town Meeting to be held tomorrow evening at 7pm in the Duffin Theatre; election day is next Tuesday, November 6 and that real estate taxes are due tomorrow, November 1.

MOTION by DR, seconded by EL to accept the Minutes of October 17. 5/0 vote.

Citizen's Open Forum: None.

Consent Agenda: DR asked to hear about this sign request, and the business that will be moving into the space. A representative from the Humane Society explained that while they won't official open until April 2019, they will be holding a clothing drive on 11/11&12, and that they want to make people aware that they are coming to Lenox. MOTION by DR, seconded by EL to approve the consent agenda as follows: a temporary sign to Catwalk at 26 Church Street from 11/1-14, with an additional 2-weeks from 11/15-28. 5/0 vote.

FF/EMT Appointment: CAO presented the name of Robert Casucci to the Board for an appointment to the position of FF/EMT, to fill the vacancy created when Chris O'Brien was appointed fire chief. MOTION by DR, seconded by EL to ratify the appointment of Robert Casucci as FF/EMT effective November 12, 2018. 5/0 vote.

Verizon Wireless: Attorney Michael Fenton appeared before the Board at their October 17 meeting, explaining that Verizon Wireless would like to obtain permission to install hardware on the top of existing utility poles. He went on to explain that since the Town's wireless bylaw did not anticipate this type of technology, he wanted to know how the Board would like Verizon to apply for permission.

The CAO presented the Board with a copy of draft procedures for the permitting of wireless infrastructure. After a brief discussion, the Board approved the procedures with one addition: DR asked that under Step 2, the Town Website be added as a location for the public hearing notice to be posted.

STM Motions: The CAO briefly went through the motions for the November 1 STM. He went on to state that there are four Town documents that will be presented to the voters as they register: 1) the warrant, 2) amendment form, 3) approved Planning Board articles, and 4) CAO letter and summary. He stated that there is a document utilizing the Town seal which appears to be from Town Hall, but it is not. The Board asked the CAO to reiterate this at the beginning of the STM.

BOS Reports: EL thanked staff, and in particular Land Use Director Gwen Miller, for all their efforts put into this STM. DR thanked the library and the community center for a great collaboration on Halloween activities. He also brought up the issue of recycling, and asked that the Board look into it further; perhaps have the Environmental Committee look into it for the Town. WA suggested that if anyone had a Christmas tree they would like to donate to the Town to be planted permanently in Lilac Park to please contact Town Hall. KF mentioned that Suzanne Pelton had resigned from the Historical Commission.

By roll call, KF, DR, EL, WA and NM voted to go into Executive Session at 7:55pm to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with union personnel.

Minutes Taken By: _____ Minutes Accepted By: _____
Mary Ellen Deming Clerk
Director of Administrative Services Board of Selectmen

List of Documents: Temporary sign request; CAO appointment memo; draft procedures for permitting wireless infrastructure; Special Town Meeting Motions; letter from Fire Association.