

Board of Selectmen

Date of Meeting: Monday, June 29th, 2020 Time: 6:00 PM – 8:10 PM

Members Present: Chair Jamie Underwood; Selectmen Matt Mecum and Seth Ridinger;

April Steward, Town Administrator; Town Counsel Stephen Madaus, Town Moderator Kim Rozak, Five Members of the Finance Committee,

and Alison Mack, Administrative Assistant to the Board

The meeting commenced at 6:00 PM.

Financial Warrants were signed in agreement.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Joint Meeting with Finance Committee and Final Review of Warrant:

- Articles 1-10: Boiler Plate: Read as a group: Seth Ridinger
- Article 11: Zoning Matt Mecum to read
- **Article 12:** Compensation Wage Schedule Jamie Underwood
- Article 13: Personnel Plan Seth Ridinger
- **Article 14:** OPEB Seth Ridinger
- **Article 15:** Revisions to Pine Grove Cemetery Mr.Parker/Steve Mero
- Article 16 and 17: FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant and two laptop computers: Joe Flanagan
- **Article 18:** Roof of Carriage House Jamie
- Article 19: Radio Communications Matt Mecum
- Article 20: Police Departments Dispatch System Jamie Underwood
- Article 21: Assessors Map 6, Parcel 5: Wireless Communications Jamie Underwood
- Article 22: Towns Master Plan: Matt Mecum
- Article 23: Police Chiefs Contract: Seth Ridinger
- **Article 24:** Flagg Estate Matt Mecum
- Article 25: Dump Truck Jamie Underwood
- Article 26: Citizens Petition: Gerry Quam
- Article 27: Designate BOH and Agent as Enforcement Officers for Trash Jamie Underwood
- Article 28: Allow Town to expend, without appropriation insurance proceeds to be applied to Police and Fire Department Salaries: Seth Ridinger
- **Article 29:** Town Hall Renovations Matt Mecum
- Article 30: 17,435,294 Change to Vocational Tuition Budget Line David Butler

Member from Finance Committee made a motion to approve articles 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30. Another Member from Finance Committee seconded. Voted all in favor.

Member from Finance Committee made a motion to approve the budget from 17,435,294 to include the lowering of the vocational tuition line down to \$580,109. Member seconded. Voted all in favor.

Transfers:

- 1. Transfer for \$1,773.28 Reserve Fund: Town Clerks Salary; Vacation buy back and overlap of the two Clerks
- 2. Assessors Clerical: \$410.00 Reserve Fund
- 3. Highway Salaries \$9,000 Reserve Fund
- 4. \$40 overpayment to Parking Clerk will be deducted from Town Clerks next paycheck

Member of the Finance Committee made a motion to approve the transfers, Finance Committee member Eric seconded. Voted all in favor.

Every Year they run a deficit on snow and ice removal – This year they are in the hole about \$94,000. The Town Accountant suggested that instead of adding that onto next year's taxes, we transfer left over money in this year's account to cover it, less reducing the taxes for residents. We would lose that \$94,000 in the budget that goes to free cash for next year. David Butler suggested anything we can do to help, would be good. His own personal recommendation would be to transfer it from the General Insurance Line.

Matt Mecum made a motion to transfer \$94,276.00 from the Group Insurance and Veterans Benefits Line to the Snow and Ice Overtime/Snow and Ice Removal Line, Seth Ridinger seconded. Voted all in favor.

Finance Committee Member made a motion to approve the transfer of \$94,276.00 from the Group Insurance and Veterans Benefits Line to the Snow and Ice Overtime/Snow and Ice Removal Line, Finance Committee Member Eric seconded. Voted all in favor.

Finance Committee Member made a motion to approve Erics Meeting minutes from the last meeting, Finance Committee Member seconded. Voted all in favor.

Common Victual License Request for Home Grown and Company Food Truck:

Michael Barry came to represent. Established Food Truck; Based around clean organic foods. Most of the vending will be done in the City of Worcester and inspected by the City of Worcester. It will be used for some events in Boylston from time to time.

Matt Mecum made a motion to approve the Common Victual License for Home Grown and Company Food Truck, Seth Ridinger seconded. Voted all in favor.

Vote to Approve Interim Police Chiefs stipend:

\$500.00/weekly for Interim Police Chief stipend. The board discussed the amount it has been in the past, but ultimately decided to move forward.

Seth Ridinger moved to award a stipend of \$500/per week to Sergeant Thomas as acting Interim Police Chief, Matt Mecum seconded. Voted all in favor.

Vote to reduce the quorum for Town Meeting:

Matt Mecum suggested going with 11-12 people for the quorum reduction amount and the Town Moderator suggested going as low as you can.

Matt Mecum made a motion to reduce the quorum to Town Meeting to 11, Seth Ridinger seconded. Voted all in favor.

Seth brought up the ADA Coordinator position for getting the Open Space Plan completed and April mentioned that we have an ADA committee, but she will look into it.

At 6:33 PM, Matt Mecum Mat a motion to adjourn, Seth Ridinger seconded. Voted all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Alison Mack, Assistant to the Board of Selectmen

Meeting Materials

Agenda On File in The Board Of Selectmen's Office
ATM Warrant On File in The Board Of Selectmen's Office
Common Victual License On File in The Board Of Selectmen's Office
Pine Grove Cemetery Docs On File in The Board Of Selectmen's Office
Assessors Map 6, Parcel 5 Of File in The Board Of Selectmen's Office