

**Town of Rochester
Board of Selectmen**

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Paul Ciaburri, Chairman
Bradford N. Morse, Vice Chairman
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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2020**

Chairman Paul Ciaburri, Vice Chairman Bradford Morse, and Clerk Greenwood Hartley III are all present.

The Board of Selectmen's Open Meeting is opened by Chairman Paul Ciaburri.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Town vendor contract negotiations and to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel, and to return back into open session at the conclusion. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor and the Board enters into Executive Session. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

The Board enters back into Open Session.

Minutes

Motion: A motion is made by Selectman Morse to approve the Open Session Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of November 12th, 2020 as presented. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the minutes are approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Motion: A motion is made by Selectman Morse to approve the Open Session Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of November 17th, 2020 as presented. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the minutes are approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

People on the Agenda:

6:05- Street Name Change Hearing- The Board received a request from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cullen to change the name of Duhamel Drive to Patty's Way. Selectman Ciaburri opens the public hearing on this request. The petitioner is not present at the meeting.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to continue the hearing until the next Selectmen's meeting on December 21st at 6:10 P.M. via Zoon. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes unanimously and the hearing is continued. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Selectmen's Signature:

Intermunicipal Agreement with Marion - Benson Brook Transfer Station- Selectman Morse informs everyone that the Town of Marion is going to run the Benson Brook Road Transfer Station and an intermunicipal agreement has been drafted that would allow Rochester residents to have access to this transfer station. As of

January 1st, 2021, residents would be able to purchase stickers at a cost of \$70, or \$60 for seniors and veterans that would be good for the calendar year. Selectman Morse also notes that they are still in negotiations with the Town of Wareham for use of the facility on Route 28 and will provide more information once available.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to sign the intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Marion as presented. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes unanimously. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Annual License Renewals- Selectman Morse reads off the list of annual license renewals for all: Class II, Class III, Automatic Amusement, and Liquor Licenses in the Town for 2021.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to approval all annual license renewals and requests the Board sign the licenses at their convenience. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Request for Conservation Agent Farinon to Accept Mini-Grant- Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon is in attendance to request the Board accept a mini-grant from the Buzzard's Bay Estuary Program in the amount of \$20,946, and to allow Town Administrator Szyndlar to sign all forms related to this grant on their behalf. This mini-grant is a reimbursement grant to cover acquisition costs related to the Decas Stewart Bogs Program.

Motion: Selectman Morse then makes a motion to accept the mini-grant and authorize Town Administrator Szyndlar to sign any forms related to the mini-grant. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Chapter 61A Right of First Refusal: Map 12 Lots 8, 8A 9 and Map 13 Lots 6, 12, and 13- The Board receives a Right of First Refusal Request from Bayside Agricultural Inc. for Map 12 Lots 8, 8A, 9 and Map 13 Lots 6, 12, and 13. Selectman Morse recuses himself from the discussion.

Motion: A motion is made by Selectman Hartley to not exercise the Board's Right of First Refusal on Map 12 Lots 8, 8A, 9 and Map 13 Lots 6, 12, and 13 as requested by Bayside Agricultural Inc. This motion is seconded by Selectman Ciaburri. The motion passes with a 2:0:1 vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 2:0 :1 motion passes.

Correspondence:

SEMASS PILOT Payment- October, 2020- The SEMASS PILOT payment was received for the month of October, 2020 in the amount of \$337,837.

Town Administrator's Report/ COVID-19 Update:

- Town Administrator Szyndlar begins her report by informing the Board that the FY '21 Real Estate Tax bills have been mailed out and are due December 30th.
- Next, Town Administrator Szyndlar gives an update on Cares Act funding – To date, she has submitted \$165,000 in processed invoices to Plymouth County Cares to be reimbursed and received \$33,300. She has also been working on the paperwork for another \$270,000 in requests that will go out this week. There will also be another \$154,000 on behalf of ORR once their paperwork is submitted. She is anticipating there will be another \$160,000 over the next week or two as well, with an estimated total spending around \$740,000 of the \$825,000 allotment.
- After this, Town Administrator Szyndlar informs everyone that FY22 budget season has started and worksheets have gone out to all departments to be completed by January 15th.
- Town Administrator Szyndlar mentions to the Board that it's time to register for the MMA Annual Meeting and Trade Show on January 21st and 22nd. She notes that the cost is discounted this year because it's going to be an interactive virtual conference.
- Next Town Administrator Szyndlar informs everyone that the new phone and intercom systems are complete, but the Town is still in the process of switching internet providers.
- Lastly, Town Administrator Szyndlar gives an update on the Green Communities Program- the company RISE Engineering that we contracted to do our lighting project is just about finished, but before Facilities Manager

Andrew Daniel signs off on everything, he has requested a walk-through of each property with the manager and he is already looking to apply for more funding through the grant.

Meeting Notices:

Selectman Ciaburri mentions that he recently attended the Plymouth County Advisory Board Committee Meeting.

Selectman Hartley then mentions that he had recently attended the monthly SRPEDD meeting, where Rochester was well represented and discussions included future grant opportunities and the updated flood maps.

Old Business:

Payroll and Vendor Warrant Approval- Selectman Ciaburri notes that all payroll and vendor warrants have been signed since the last meeting.

CMW Convenience Center Discussion- Selectman Morse notes that this discussion was held during the Intermunicipal Agreement with Marion signing over the use of the Benson Brook Road Transfer Station.

New Business:

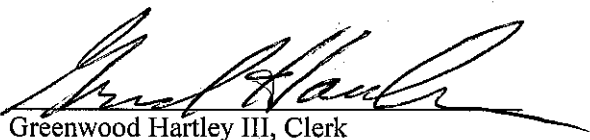
Annual Town Meeting Date Discussion- Town Administrator Szyndlar informs everyone that an Annual Town Meeting date must be set for the process of updating the FEMA flood maps and recommends to the Board either May 17th or 24th, 2021. With the election tentatively being scheduled for May 26th, 2021, they agree that it would be best to hold the Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 24th, 2021.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to hold the Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 24th, 2021. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes unanimously. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Selectman Ciaburri then commends Eversource and everyone involved for their excellent communication through the two recent storms that hit and feels that they were handled successfully.

Adjournment

Motion: Selectman Hartley makes a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen Open Session meeting. This motion is seconded by Selectman Morse. With all members of the Board in favor, the meeting is adjourned. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.


Greenwood Hartley III, Clerk


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