

Town of Rochester
Board of Selectmen

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Paul Ciaburri, Chairman
Bradford N. Morse, Vice Chairman
Greenwood Hartley III, Clerk



Town Administrator
Suzanne E. Szyndlar
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 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.

Minutes

Motion: A motion is made by Selectman Hartley to approve the Open Session Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of November 2nd, 2020 as presented. This motion is seconded by Selectman Morse. 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

Tax Rate Classification Hearing- Selectman Ciaburri opens the Tax Rate Classification Hearing. The Board of Assessors and Principal Assessor are in attendance via Zoom to present the proposed tax rate and compare last year's figures to this year. The Board of Assessors recommend the Selectmen vote to keep a single tax rate with a residential factor of one and a rate of \$13.37/thousand. Selectman Ciaburri closes the hearing.

Motion: To keep a single tax rate with a residential factor of one and a rate of \$13.37 per thousand. This motion is made by Selectman Hartley, seconded by Selectman Morse, and approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Selectmen's Signature

Revenue Anticipation Note-

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to sign the Revenue Anticipation Note as presented to the Board. 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.

Correspondence

Ambulance Hardship Request- Town Administrator Szyndlar notes that the Board received an ambulance hardship request and recommends the Board vote to approve the request.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to approve the hardship request, seconded by Selectman Hartley. All members of the Board are in favor, the request is approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Hartley- Aye, Morse - Aye, Ciaburri- Aye 3:0 motion passes.

It is then discussed having the Town Administrator approve any ambulance hardship requests totaling \$500 or below.

Motion: Selectman Morse then makes a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to be able to approve any ambulance hardship requests received totaling \$500 or below. This request 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.

SEMASS PILOT Payment- September, 2020- The Board received the September, 2020 SEMASS PILOT payment in the amount of \$340,445.

Meeting Notices

Selectman Ciaburri informs everyone about an upcoming Plymouth County Advisory meeting scheduled for November 19th.

Next, Selectman Morse states that he will be attending a meeting with Wareham, and another with Marion, to discuss the CMW Convenience Center and potential future options for the Town. He will report back at the next meeting with more information.

Old Business:

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

New Business:

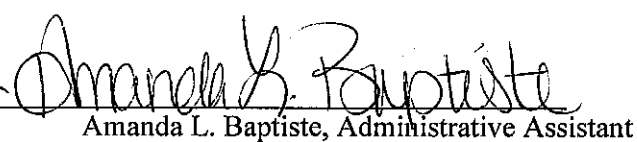
Selectman Hartley mentions that he had recently heard about a fast track grant program through SRPEDD designed to help to support and manage the impact on municipalities during the COVID crisis. The grant is designated to help invest in outdoor activities, such as dining, shopping, and events. Selectman Hartley feels that the Town could take advantage of this grant and would like to sit down the Parks Department, Facilities Manager, and Council on Aging Directors to discuss some potential ideas for community improvements.

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to have Selectman Hartley move forward with pursuing the grant and meet with the Parks Department, Facilities Manager, and Council on Aging Directors for ideas on qualified projects. This motion is seconded by Selectman Ciaburri. 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.

Adjournment

Motion: Selectman Morse makes a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen Open Session meeting. This motion is seconded by Selectman Hartley. 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


Amanda L. Baptiste, Administrative Assistant