

# Town of Rochester

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# SELECT BOARD MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023

Select Board Chair Greenwood Hartley III, Vice-Chair Paul Ciaburri, and Clerk Bradford Morse are Present. The Select Board's Open Meeting is opened by Chair Greenwood Hartley III.

# Minutes:

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to accept the Open Session Minutes from March 20, 2023 and April 3, 2023. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the minutes are approved with a unanimous vote.

## People on the Agenda:

Police Chief Robert Small – Recommendation for Police Officer Appointment – Sargent Heslin is standing in for Chief Small to recommend Daniel Allende as a part-time officer.

**Motion:** A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to appoint Daniel Allende as a part-time officer. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

Old Colony R.V.T.H.S Appointing Authority (With the School Committee and Town Moderator) – Annual Reappointment: Sharon Cruz –

**Motion:** A motion is made by School Committee Member Sharon Hartley to reappoint Sharon Cruz to the Old Colony R.V.T.H.S School Committee. This motion is seconded by School Committee Member Robin Rounseville. All present members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

Building Commissioner – Paul Boucher – Inspection Fees and Ground Mounted Solar Fees – Town Administrator Cannon explains to the Board that they are looking to increase the amount per inspection for Building Inspectors. Building Commissioner, Paul Boucher presents to the Board a list of fees from surrounding towns as well as a recommended fee for the Town for Commercial Building Fees for Ground Mounted Solar.

Motion: A Motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to approve the fees at \$40 per inspection for gas, plumbing and electrical inspectors. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

**Motion:** A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to approve the Ground Mounted Solar Fees at \$12 per \$1,000 of building cost. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

Town Planner – Nancy Durfee – MBTA Community Update – Town Planner, Nancy Durfee updates the Board on the MBTA Communities Designation. Ms. Durfee explains that the action plan was submitted to the State in January. Ms. Durfee goes on to explain that the Town had already adopted zoning based off the MBTA requirements. Ms. Durfee has reached out to SERPDD for guidance and with their recommendation she is going to report back to the State with an update including public hearing dates. The Board lets Ms. Durfee know she has their support on this matter.

Country Fair President - Kelly Sullivan-Morgado - Surplus Property Request - Country Fair President Kelly Sullivan-Morgado presents the list of surplus materials to the Board. Town Administrator Cannon tells the Board he

and Town Counsel, Liz Lydon have met about the list and they think everything the town owns should be declared surplus.

**Motion:** A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to declare the list provided as surplus and to be disposed of as outlined in the Surplus Disposal Policy as recommended by the Town Administrator. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

# Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review with the Town Clerk, Town Moderator, Finance Committee, and Capital Planning Committee –

Motion: To recommend article one as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article two as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article three as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article four withholding department 192 (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article five as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article six as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article seven as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article eight as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article nine as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article ten as presented (Morse /Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article eleven as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twelve as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article thirteen as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article fourteen as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To remove article fifteen (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To remove article sixteen (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article seventeen as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article eighteen as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article nineteen as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-one as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-two as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-three as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-four as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-five as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-six as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-seven as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To recommend article twenty-eight as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

Motion: To amend article twenty-nine and thirty to be combined as one article (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes

Motion: To recommend article thirty-one as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

The Board makes no recommendation on article thirty-two.

The Board makes no recommendation on article thirty-three.

Motion: To recommend article thirty-four as presented (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

The Board makes no recommendation on article thirty-five.

Motion: To renumber all articles (Morse/Ciaburri) 3:0. Motion Passes.

### Select Board Signature:

Town Planner Nancy Durfee: Request to Form Master Plan Steering Committee – Town Planner, Nancy Durfee presents the request to the Board. Ms. Durfee lets the Board know she has reached out to the department heads to get their feedback on the previous master plan done in 2009.

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to appoint the Rochester Master Plan Steering Committee members as follows, Arnold Johnson, Nancy Durfee, Brad Morse, Matthew Monteiro, Andrew Daniel, Jeff Eldrige, David Hughes, Jordan Latham to serve until the completion of the project. The Motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All Members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

**Arbor Day Proclamation** – Matthew Monteiro presents the Arbor Day proclamation to the Board and lets them know the Tree Warden has ordered about 500 little trees to give out to the kids on Arbor day.

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to proclaim April 28<sup>th</sup> as Arbor day and occupy the chair to sign the proclamation on the Board's behalf. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All Members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

## Annual Board and Committee Reappointments -

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to approve to reappoint the list of Board and Committee members as presented. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

#### Annual Flammable Fluid License Renewals -

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to approve the list of Flammable Fluids Licenses renewals as presented. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

## Annual Range Permit Renewals -

**Motion:** A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to approve the Range Permit Renewals as presented. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

# Request for Appointment to Council on Aging Board of Directors: Michael Daniel -

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to appoint Michael Daniel to the Council on Aging Board of Directors. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

# **Town Administrators Report:**

- Town Administrator Cannon lets the Residents know that there will be child care available at the Rochester Memorial School during the Town Meeting.
- Town Administrator Cannon lets the Board know that he is working with Senator Rodrigues to make sure the funding for the salt shed is in the State capital plan.
- Town Administrator Cannon presents a letter of thanks from Senator Rodrigues to the Board for supporting the Vocational Schools.
- Town Administrator Cannon recently attended a meeting for the Council on Aging expansion.

#### Old Business:

Payroll and/or Vendor Warrant Approvals – Select Board Member Ciaburri notes all payroll and vendor warrants have been signed since last meeting.

Select Board Member Hartley notes that Direct Energy has been contacted and is aware of the rate not being changed on some of the resident's electricity bills. Mr. Hartley states that Direct Energy has relayed to him that there will be a refund to any of the residents that were affected by this error.

# **New Business:**

Select Board License Fee Schedule – Town Administrator Cannon suggests the Board implementing a couple new license fees based on surrounding towns. Select Board Member Morse asks that these licenses be looked into further before voting.

#### Adjournment:

Motion: Select Board Member Morse makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote.

Bradford N. Morse, Clerk