



Town of Paxton
Board of Selectmen
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Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 22, 2019

Meeting Location: John Bauer Senior Center 17 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Members Present: Peter Bogren, Jr., Chairman
John F. Malone, Vice-Chairman
Julia N. Pingitore, Clerk

Town Administrator: Carol L. Riches, Town Administrator

Attendees: see Attendee List

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Right of First Refusal for lot on David Hill Rd

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to waive the Town's right of first refusal for Lot #1A on Davis Hill Road which is currently held in the Faucher Land Trust. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Recreation Signage

- Jeff Cormier of the Recreation Commission was present to ask permission to install some new signs in Town for the Recreation areas. A sketch up of the signs was provided and is on file in the Board of Selectmen's office.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the request from the Recreation Commission to install new signage for the Recreation areas in Town. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Women's Club request

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the request for discussion.**
- (JP) Did they speak to the Public Safety Departments?
- (CR) I believe they will, and they will follow the same structure as the Lions Club does with their toll road and will wear the traffic vests.
- (PB) I would like to see them get all the requested signatures first and then we can review it.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to take no action this time and we will put it on a future agenda. (JM) retracted his prior motion. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Appointment of Election Workers

- (PB) The Town Clerk has requested that the following individuals be appointed as

Election Officers:

Deirdre Malone
Maryann Paquette
Emma Ryan – Clerk
Tiffany Sidhom – Warden
Nancy Wilby
Jonathan Parsons

Sign Election Warrant

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve and sign the Election Warrant as presented. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Election Poll Evacuation Plan

- (PB) My only suggestion would be to add a member of the Board to the list of names to be contacted in case of an emergency.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the Evacuation Plan for the election polls with the addition of adding the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to the list of emergency contacts. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Request from Donna Severson to do 5K

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the request from Donna Severson to do a 5K on September 8, 2019 to benefit the nonprofit group Shatterproof. Unanimous, all in favor.**

MASS DOT update on sidewalks on Route 122

- (PB) A letter was received from MASSDOT stating that they had received the request to look at redoing the sidewalks along Route 122 near the center of Town. It was stated that the pavement along this section is in good condition and does not currently warrant rehabilitation. These improvements may be considered in a future roadway project.

Request from the Congregational Church to put up signage

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the request from the Congregational Church to place signage on the common and along town roadsides for a Yard and Pie Sale on June 8, 2019. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Release of Executive Session Meeting Minutes

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the release of Executive Session Meeting Minutes as provided by the Town Administrator. The list of minutes is available in the Selectmen's Office. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Meeting Minutes

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 25, 2019. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Town Administrators Update

- **Great American Rain Barrels**
The Town will be taking part in a community Great American Rain Barrel program to assist in the conservation of water and to lower household water bills. 60-gallon rain barrels can be ordered by going to the front page of the Town's website or by calling into

the Town Hall, where two are on display. Barrels are being sold at a discounted price of \$59. They generally retail at around \$100. The Water Commissioners helped lower the cost by discounting \$10 on each barrel ordered. Once ordered the barrels will be ready for collection on June 8th at the Town Hall parking lot.

- **Annual Town Meeting**

Warrants will be available at the Town Hall, Library and COA for the May 6th Annual Town Meeting. The warrant is also posted online at www.townofpaxton.net.

- **Annual Town Election**

Just a reminder that April 23rd is the last date to register to vote for the Annual Town Election on May 13th. The Town Clerks office will be open until 8pm on this date.

- **Lion Annual Town Wide Yard Sale**

Just a reminder that the Lions will be running the annual town wide yard sale on Saturday, May 4th. Anyone wishing to sign up should contact Robert Wilby at 508-792-4662. Maps will be available on the Common from 7:30am.

Public Session

- Neil Bagdis inquired as to whether or not the rain barrels that the Town is offering are for Town residents only.
- **(CR)** replied that no one can purchase them, but they need to be picked up in Paxton.
- Jeffrey Kent from the Capital Improvement Committee was present and wanted to discuss some of the articles on the upcoming Annual Town Meeting, however this was not a topic placed on the agenda for the evening
- **(PB)** I recommend that the Capital Improvement Committee meet and put it on cable for individuals to see the discussion. We'll try to have a Select Board member present as well.

Adjourned Meeting at 7:28pm, Unanimous all in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:15pm. Prior to the Annual Town Meeting.

Documents from the Meeting filed in BOS office:

Meeting minutes

Agenda

Attendance list

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Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons
Executive Assistant