



Town of Paxton
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Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 20, 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.

We will enter Executive Session and will return to the regular meeting only for the purpose of adjourning.

Right of First Refusal for lot on Davis Hill Rd

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

Right of First Refusal for lot on Marshall St

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to waive the Town's right of first refusal for land on Marshall St which is currently held in the name of Ansley Siter. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Reorganization of Select Board

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to move forward with Peter Bogren, Jr. as the Chairman for the Board of Selectmen for FY2020. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to move forward with Julia Pingitore as the Vice Chairman for the Board of Selectmen for FY2020. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- **Motion (JP) seconded (PB) to move forward with John Malone as the Clerk for the Board of Selectmen for FY2020. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Follow up from Annual Town Meeting

- **(CR)** The article for the Ladder Truck passed at Town Meeting but failed at the ballot. Would there be any interest in holding a Special Town Meeting or election in the fall? Election would need to be held prior to September 15th. The warranty on the KME has been forwarded to Town Counsel for review.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to discuss the possibility of looking at a replacement for the KME. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- **(PB)** Personally I do not like the idea of a Special Election. It looks as though because it didn't pass initially, we are asking for a do over.
- **(JM)** It would be nice to put together a group of individuals that could look into what our options might be.
- **(JP)** I think we need some time to clarify some of the information that was presented. I do agree that we should look into other options.
- **(PB)** I do feel that a used vehicle is a bit of a concern, but a demo truck may be a more viable option. We are all in agreement then that we do need to look into other option.

Request for a one-day liquor license

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to approve the request from Turn Back Time for a one day liquor license. Unanimous, all in favor.**

End of year transfers

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to approve the following end of year transfers. Unanimous, all in favor. Unanimous, all in favor.**

<u>Account transferred to</u>	<u>Account transferred from</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0100-1161-5101-0000	0100-1135-5102-0000	\$2,000.00
0100-1161-5103-0000	0100-1135-5102-0000	\$600.00
0100-1210-5200-0000	0100-1210-5103-0000	\$4,500.00
0100-1135-5400-0000	0100-1135-5102-0000	\$70.00

Lease agreement for the Ambulance

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to approve the lease for the new ambulance. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Lease agreement for the Police cruisers

- **Motion (JP) seconded (JM) to approve the lease for the new police cruisers. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Contract for the Water Tank

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the contract for the Water Tank. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Road Stabilization Fund

- **Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the Road Stabilization fund that was passed at the Annual Town Meeting on May 6, 2019. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Town Center

- Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the plan presented by CHA Consulting to make pedestrian improvements in the Town Center. Unanimous, all in favor.

Appoint Donna Couture to the Insurance Advisory Committee

- Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to appoint Donna Couture to the Insurance Advisory Committee. Unanimous, all in favor.

Meeting Minutes

- Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from May 6, 2019. Unanimous, all in favor.
- Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to approve the Executive Meeting Minutes from May 2, 2019. Unanimous, all in favor.

Town Administrators Update

- **Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program**

I received confirmation that we received a grant for \$25,130 from the state to complete a community resiliency planning process that will examine the Town's vulnerability and strengths and identify priority actions to build resilience as the climate changes. The state is making climate awareness a priority and indicated that towns that don't have this in place will not be eligible for certain future grants.

- **Wage & Compensation Study**

We kicked off our wage & compensation study last week with orientation sessions for employees that have positions in the study.

- **Great American Rain Barrels**

There is still time to order your Great American Rain Barrels. Order forms or on the Towns website or at Town Hall Once ordered the barrels will be ready for collection on June 8th at the Town Hall parking lot.

- **Snow & Ice**

The Town's Snow & Ice deficit spending amounted to \$2,232.71 for FY19. This was covered by an end of year transfer. The total for snow & ice operations was \$182,063.71.

Public Session

- Neil Bagdis inquired as to how the wording for the ballot question on the Fire Truck was put together?
- **(CR)** It was done according to Mass General Law.
- Neil Bagdis expressed that he hoped that some sort of middle ground could be reached as far as coming up with a solution for the replacement of the 2002 KME.
- **(PB)** We did agree to look into other alternatives and to look at putting a committee together to work on this.

Motion (JM) seconded (JP) to leave the regular meeting and entered into Executive Session at 7:30pm and we will return to the regular meeting for the purpose of adjourning. Unanimous, all in favor.

Returned to Regular Session at 8:00pm

Adjourned Meeting at 8:00pm, Unanimous all in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 3, 2019 at 7:00pm.

Documents from the Meeting filed in BOS office:

Meeting minutes

Agenda

Attendance list

Town Administrators Update

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons

Executive Assistant