

Select Board Chair Germain opened the meeting at 6:45 PM.

In attendance were: Select Board Members: A. Battistini, N. Demers, M. Germain, B. Giovanoni and N. Rosenthal. Also present were Town Manager, Jay McGrail and Executive Assistant, Colleen Lieb.

This meeting was recorded by MCCAM for broadcast on Comcast and Verizon.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal, the Board voted at 6:46 PM to enter into Executive Session to return to Open Session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares – **NEPBA – Local 76 & NEPBA – Local 96** - Polled vote: A. Battistini - Aye, N. Demers - Aye, M. Germain - Aye, B. Giovanoni - Aye and N. Rosenthal – Aye.

At 7:23 PM the Board returned to Open Session and Chair Germain asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNANTICIPATED

Tom White, resident, asked Select Board Member Demers for clarification on a conversation they had with each other during the day.

Matthew Phillips, 95 Old Center Street, asked about the Commercial Vehicle use of Old Center Street. He expressed concern about possibly having a “heavy vehicle exclusion” placed on that stretch of the street. Chair Germain explained that he had asked the Town Manager to take a look at that request and check on the capacity of the bridge in question.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

Paula Fay announced several events that are upcoming at the Library. She referenced the upcoming Mini Golf Fundraiser and the teas.

WARRANTS

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Demers and seconded by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni, the Board voted to authorize the Chair or his designee to sign the warrants for week(s) ending 1/14/2023, 1/21/2023, 1/28/2023 and 2/3/2023. Motion Carries. (4-0-1)

MINUTES

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 24, 2022 minutes as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Demers and seconded by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal, the Board voted unanimously to make the Town Manager the Authorized Representative, to approve, finalize and submit on behalf of the Town, any ARPA Grant Application and to make all

representations and certifications required to be made on behalf of the Town to complete each such application, with such approval, representations and certifications to be evidenced by the signature of the Town Manager on such application; and if any such ARPA grant is awarded, the Town Manager shall be the recipient of such grant on behalf of the Town..

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Demers and seconded by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal, the Board voted unanimously to make the Town Accountant the authorized to prepare and enter information into the Plymouth County American Rescue Plan portal in support of one or more applications to Plymouth County for grants (“ARPA Grants”) to be funded from a grant received by Plymouth County under the American Rescue Plan Act.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member A. Battistini, the Board voted unanimously to approve and sign the McLean Hospital Agreement.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to open the Special and Annual Town meeting Warrants to be held on April 24, 2023 and to lose the warrants on Friday, March 10, 2023.

HEARINGS MEETINGS AND LICENSES

New Hearing – Change of Manager/Change of Officers/Transfer of Stock for the Central Café, 254 Center Street, Assessors Map 50N, Lot 5294

Chair M. Germain read into the record the legal notice and declared the hearing open. The Board reviewed the application for Change of Manager, Change of Officers, Transfer of Stock for the Central Café located at 254 Center Street. Chair Germain opened the hearing up for Board comment on the application. There was no comment. Chair Germain opened the hearing up for public comment. There was no comment.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to approve and submit to the ABCC the Change of Manager, Change of Officers and Transfer of Stock application for the Central Café located at 254 Center Street.

New Hearing – Second Hand Dealer’s License Application for Vintage Gipsy for property located at 50 Center Street, Assessors Map 50P, Lot 6241

Chair M. Germain read into the record the legal notice and declared the hearing open. The Board reviewed the application for a Second Hand Dealer’s License Application for Vintage Gipsy. Chair Germain opened the hearing up for Board comment on the application. There was no comment. Chair Germain opened the hearing up for public comment. There was no comment.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member B. Giovanoni and seconded by Select Board Member A. Battistini, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Second Hand Dealers License for Vintage Gipsy for property located at 50 Center Street, Assessors Map 50P, Lot 6241.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Demers and seconded by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Town Account to proceed with a review and audit of all Revolving Accounts and recommend Policy and Procedure's for them as appropriate.

Upon motion made by Select Board Member N. Rosenthal and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Town Manager along with Town Counsel to continue with negotiations and set parameters with a document to be publically discussed on January 23rd.

TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

Jay McGrail, Town Manager, reviewed with the Select Board his Town Manager's Report for week ending January 7, 2023.

COMMITTEES COMMISSION AND BOARDS

Select Board Member N. Demers spoke about the next Tourism Committee meeting that will be held on Wednesday, January 18th in the small conference room. The plan is to review the Holiday Light event as well as planning for the upcoming Herring Festival.

Select Board Member A. Battistini updated the Board on the latest South Coast Rail Meeting.

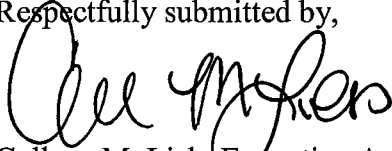
CORRESPONDENCE

There was no comment on correspondence.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by Select Board Member A. Battistini and seconded by Select Board Member N. Demers, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Colleen M. Lieb, Executive Assistant
MIDDLEBOROUGH SELECT BOARD