

Board of Selectmen Meeting:
Memorial Town Hall Conference Room
Chairman: Selectman Brian Moriarty

12-26-2019 @ 5:30pm
Approved: 2-4-2020

Present: Selectmen Brian Moriarty, Edmund Jaworski, and Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator

Selectman Moriarty opened the meeting at 5:30pm.

No one was present for public forum.

Unanticipated New Business

Baystate Municipal Accounting is closing on 12-29. Ms. Michonski asked for updates from Justin Cole about FY20. She said in an email he said he can hang in a few more weeks. Selectman Moriarty wants to be done with Baystate. He asked Ms. Strzegowski, Collector, for input. She would like a commitment for what we would get if the town stayed with him. Selectman Moriarty also asked Selectman Jaworski for comments.

Ms. Strzegowski said an objective is necessary. She said he claims he is not getting information from her office. She has sent a lot of work electronically but he doesn't acknowledge receipt. She cannot determine if he is getting anywhere. Selectman Moriarty suggested telling Mr. Cole that he has until noon tomorrow to respond, and tell us what he will accomplish. Ms. Strzegowski said there is work they should have been doing all along. Selectman Jaworski asked if there is somebody we're going to hire. Ms. Michonski answered there is an interview planned. Ms. Michonski suggested giving Mr. Cole until January 15. Ms. Strzegowski said Mr. Cole has not been forthcoming and the Town needs to hold him accountable for files he has access to. We are not paying for promises but for work.

Ms. Michonski noted that the Town will not pay without seeing progress. Selectman Moriarty – we want to see the FY2020 reconciliation. Mr. Genovese added there is no response when he asks him for updates. Selectman Moriarty said the 1st step in seeing if he is serious about this is to get some response. A call should be set up. Selectman Moriarty moved to extend an offer of the criteria to follow through until 1-15-2020. Selectman Jaworski seconded. The motion was approved.

Selectman Moriarty moved to go into executive session & afterwards return to public session according to MGL Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a) #2 to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel. A roll call vote was conducted and with Selectman Jaworski voting aye, and Selectman Moriarty voting aye, the motion carried.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:15pm.

Selectman Jaworski described serious blockage, and rotted pipes in the Council on Aging kitchen. Mr. Genovese explained a venting change. Selectman Moriarty moved to approve change orders as presented. Selectman Jaworski seconded. The motion was approved.

Ms. Michonski noted the Board must vote to change the voting precinct.

Selectman Moriarty moved to change the voting precinct to the safety complex for early voting and the presidential primary. Selectman Jaworski seconded. The motion was approved.

Selectman Jaworski moved to adjourn. Selectman Moriarty seconded. The motion was approved, and the meeting ended at 6:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ki J. Eno

Executive Assistant