Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes August 11, 2020, 5:30 pm Memorial Town Hall

Present: Board of Selectmen Chair Diana Szynal, Edmund Jaworski and Brian Moriarty.

Also in attendance: Town Administrator, Marlene Michonski; Kyle Scott, Building Inspector; Edward Kennedy, Police Officer; Donald Raucher, Auctioneer; Sharon Strzegowski, Collector/Treasurer; and Lydia Szych, Town Clerk.

Chairperson Szynal called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Announcements

As a result of the public not following COVID-19 guidelines, Selectman Moriarty gave notice that the basketball hoops will be taken down on Wednesday, August 12th.

Public Forum - no one present

Approvals and Signatures

Auctioneer Permit - Motion made and seconded by Selectmen Moriarty and Jaworski to grant the Auctioneer Permit for September 12, 2020 or rain date of September 13, 2020 at 24 Plain Road to Donald Raucher. Motion approved

Building Inspection Fees – Inspector Kyle Scott explained that permits are more intense and take up more time and recommends increasing the fees, effective October 1, 2020. Last time fees were increased was in 2015. Motion made and seconded by Selectmen Jaworski and Moriarty to approve the proposed building inspection fees as recommended. Motion approved

Appointment of Edward Kennedy to Police Department – In receipt of Mr. Kennedy's resume, letter of interest and letter of recommendation for appointment from Chief Dekoschak, a motion was made and seconded by Selectmen Moriarty and Jaworski to appoint Edward Kennedy as recommended. Motion approved

Appointments of Election Officers – Motion made and seconded by Selectmen Jaworski and Moriarty to appoint Corwynne Peterson and Mauricia Geissler as Election Officers. Motion approved

Lydia Szych, Town Clerk – State Primary Warrant Ms. Szych referenced over 500 ballots have been mailed out. Early voting will be available beginning August 22nd for the September 1st State Primary Election and two weeks prior to the November 3rd Election. Motion made and seconded by Selectmen Moriarty and Jaworski to accept the Warrant. Motion approved

Water Abatement – Motion made and seconded by Selectmen Moriarty and Jaworski to abate \$1,898.74 for 139 West Street, Lot 4 on the basis of a dysfunctional meter and no one living at the property. Motion approved.

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Resolution to Support Holyoke Soldiers Home – On behalf of the Holyoke Soldiers Home Coalition, Selectman Moriarty presented a brief overview of the Coalition's vision and importance to support Veterans. Selectman Moriarty read the Resolution and recommended the Boards support. Selectman Jaworski thanked his colleague for moving the Resolution forward. Chairwoman Szynal expressed the importance of the Resolution to her and the direct impact on residents.

Selectman Moriarty made a motion that the Town of Hatfield approve the Resolution. Selectman Jaworski seconded the motion. Motion approved

With no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting by Selectmen Jaworski and Moriarty. Motion approved

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm.

Respectfully,

Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator