Approved October 11, 2022

Select Board

Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

34 School Street, Hatfield, MA

Present: Select Board Diana Szynal, Chair, Members Brian Moriarty and Edmund Jaworski; Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator; Richard Abbott, Chair, Angelica Dewey, Mark Gelotte, Micki Sanderson and Steven Touloumtzis, Open Space Committee; Risley Dudley, Food Bank of Western Massachusetts; Lydia Szych, Town Clerk; Wayne Feiden, retired Planning Director for City of Northampton; Matt Chase; Phil Genovese, DPW Director

**CALL TO ORDER** Chair Szynal called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of April 19, 2022; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the regular session and Executive Session minutes of August 27, 2022; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the meeting Minutes of September 13, 2022; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

**POSTED BUSINESS**

TOPIC 1 Request for One Day Liquor License for Food Bank of Western Mass. Will Bike for Food Event held on Sunday, September 25, 2022: Selectman Jaworski made a motion to approve the one-day liquor license for the Food Bank of Western Mass. Will Bike for Food Event on Sunday, September 25, 2022 at the Lions Pavilion from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm; Selectman Moriarty seconded; no discussion; Ms. Michonski informed the Board that according to Massachusetts law, alcohol cannot be served before 12:00 pm on a Sunday; Selectman Jaworski amended his motion to September 25, 2022 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm; Selectman Moriarty seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

TOPIC 2 Appointments and Resignations: Selectman Jaworski made a motion to accept the resignation of Brian Turner from the Police Department; Selectman Moriarty seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

Selectman Jaworski made a motion to accept the resignation - with regret - of Thomas Petcen from the Agricultural Advisory Committee and thanked Mr. Petcen for all his work on various Boards and Committees over the years; Selectman Moriarty seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

The appointment to the Library trustee was postponed.

TOPIC 3 Vote to Reduce early voting in-person hours for the November 8, 2022 State Election: Selectman Moriarty moved to authorize the reduction of early voting in-person hours for the November 8, 2022 State election to 4 hours per day during the Town Clerk’s normal business hours from October 24 to October 27, 2022; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

The Board took a short break.

TOPIC 4 Public Informational Meeting @ 6:00-7:30PM proposed CT River trail discussion, Elm Court meeting with Open Space Committee and Wayne Feiden: Chair Szynal reopened the meeting at 6:04pm for the meeting with the residents. Richard Abbott opened the meeting for Open Space Committee. During this meeting Open Space answered questions residents had regarding the trail and residents voiced their approval or disapproval of the trail.

**UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

Selectman Ed made a motion to adjourn; Selectman seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye; meeting ended 7:44 pm.

Respectfully,

Karen Brodeur

Executive Assistant