

Approved April 18, 2023

Select Board  
Meeting Minutes  
April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.  
59 Main Street, Hatfield, MA

Present: Select Board Diana Szyal, Chair, Members Brian Moriarty and Edmund Jaworski

Also in attendance: Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator; Diane Brzozowski, Chair, Kim Baker, Darryl Williams, Sean Barry and John Wilkes, Jr., Finance Committee, Phil Genovese, DPW Director; Lydia Szych, Town Clerk; Christy Boudreau, Chair, School Committee; Kerry Flaherty, President, Fire Association

**CALL TO ORDER** Chair Szyal called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PUBLIC FORUM** Lydia Szych, Town Clerk mentioned she received a couple of complaints on Facebook regarding the road race last Saturday. There was no notice given to Townspeople. Chair Szyal stated we need to be a little better about this. Selectman Moriarty said we voted on this a three to four months ago. Ms. Szych said there is something on April 22 and June 10<sup>th</sup>. Chair Szyal said there needs to be further discussion on this when they come before us.

**POSTED BUSINESS**

TOPIC 1 **DPW REPORT: Request for \$11,225.00 for painting Town Hall windows from ARPA funds:** Selectman Moriarty made a motion to fund the Town Hall window scraping and painting in the amount of \$11,225.00 and use ARPA funds; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no further discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

TOPIC 2 **FY2024 Budget, Capital Projects and Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles: Discussion and review with Finance Committee @ 6:00 p.m.:** Christy Boudreau came before the Select Board and Finance Committee requesting the school get all funding they were asking for and asked that cuts not be made within the school. Selectman Moriarty stated, at this point, we are not cutting anything. Selectman Jaworski stated the ultimate decision is up to the Townspeople. We feel the Town needs to come together for this. After discussions for the purposes of the override, the Finance Committee suggested funding the school \$125,000.00; police salary line would rise to \$316,161.00, enough to hire another full-time officer but not include a cruiser; fire/ambulance would stay at \$182,000.00; the transfer station will remain open on Wednesdays; and the COLA would remain. It was agreed the amount to be placed on the warrant for Town meeting for the override question is \$1,256,611.00. Selectman Moriarty made a motion for the override amount on the warrant to be \$1,256,611.00 and be forwarded to the Town Clerk; Selectman Jaworski seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

**CONTINUED OLD BUSINESS**

**UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN** Chair Szynal made a motion to adjourn; Selectman Moriarty seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; meeting ended at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully,  
Karen Brodeur  
Executive Assistant