

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 28, 2018
9:00 AM
TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET

Present:

Don Chabon, Chuck Cardillo, Terry Flynn, Danielle Fillio

Call to Order:

Don welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Terry read a statement referring to conversations during the 2:30PM meeting of March 22, 2018. Terry expressed that the conduct of the Chairman that day was unacceptable and should not be allowed to happen again. Terry made a motion that the Select Board hereby resolve to conduct its business in a reasonable and professional manner free of belligerent conduct by any of its members. Don seconded; all were in favor.

Seasonal Alcohol Licenses:

Don moved that they approve the Seasonal Alcohol Licenses for Berkshire Theatre Festival and Boston Symphony Orchestra. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Vote for Reserve Policy and Term of Bond:

Don moved that they authorize the Town Treasurer to work with the UniBank Financial Advisors to implement the 2.3 million dollar bond authorized at the Special Town Meeting on January 22, 2018 for a term of 20 years with essentially equal annual payments. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Review/Close ATM Warrant:

The Board reviewed the Warrant Articles.

Approve Articles for PILOT Program:

Terry moved that they approve Article 19 and Article 20 as written. Chuck seconded: all were in favor.

Don moved that they approve the Warrant as modified and as discussed and that they close the Warrant as of Friday, March 30th. Terry seconded; all were in favor.

Conservation Commission Request of Use of Funds:

Ron Brouker, chair of the Conservation Commission and Arthur Dutil gave an overview of the history of Gould Meadows. In 1981 funding was requested from the State and \$185,000 was appropriated and the Town added \$66,000 by donations. Tom LaBelle noted that after the purchase monies were used for improvements in 1982 and remaining balance in 1983 was \$9,408.92; that money was labelled as the Conservation Fund. Since 1990 the fund had not been touched and as of last year with interest it was at \$27,431.40. As the funds have sat for so long, the request is for use of these funds when needed specifically for Gould Meadow properties.

Executive Session:

Don made a motion to enter Executive Session regarding contract negotiations with Len Tisdale re: Highway Superintendent Position because the chair declares that having such discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on such contract negotiations; and not to convene in open session after the conclusion of the executive session. Vote: I Chuck; I Don; I Terry; the vote was unanimous.