

**Board of Selectmen
August 1, 2016
Town Hall**

Present:

Mary Blanchard, Chairman
Priscilla Gimas
Mary Dowling
Michael Suprenant
Craig Moran

Open Session

Meeting opened at 6:30pm

The meeting was recorded by the Telegram and Gazette

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Service Announcements

- P. Gimas announced the blue lights residents have been putting out on their houses are in support of the Police Department.
- M. Blanchard Cedar Lake Kayak for a Cause.
- BOS 8/29/16 joint meeting with School Committee for appointment to vacancy on the School Committee
- Upcoming meeting regarding potential trolley service in town. Grant money has been awarded to complete this study for a seasonal trolley service throughout town.

Town Clerk Vacancy

Previous town clerk retired, leaving the position open. It is an elected position and the BOS will appoint an interim.

Motion: to have the Town Administrator enter into negotiations with Lynne Girouard for the interim position of Town Clerk. By: M. Dowling

2nd: C. Moran

Vote: 2-3 (M. Suprenant, P. Gimas, M. Blanchard Voted No)

Motion: to schedule interviews at the next Board of Selectmen meeting for the position of interim Town Clerk. By: M. Dowling

2nd: C. Moran

Vote: 5-0

Resignation of Fire Chief David Zinther

- The process of hiring is in the Town Charter, which will include a five member committee, and the Town will be seeking people to sit on the Fire Chief Search Committee.

Motion: to accept the resignation of the Fire Chief David Zinther. By: P. Gimas.

2nd: C. Moran

Vote: 5-0

Town Administrator's Update

None.

Correspondence

Mary Dowling read into the record the list of correspondence received.

Old Business

- Heal, Inc. request for a letter for non-opposition for a medical marijuana facility. They would not engage in the sale of recreation marijuana until July 18, 2021 (five years).
Motion to send a letter of non-opposition for Heal, Inc. and include the provisions that Heal has agreed not to sell recreational marijuana until July 18, 2021.
By M. Suprenant
2nd: M. Blanchard
Vote: 3-2 (Moran and Dowling opposed)
- Riverlands: revisiting notice of activity.
Motion to place a combination of signs in the Riverlands with it being clearly stated on the sign the contaminants of hazards in the soil. By M. Suprenant
2nd: P. Gimás
Vote: 4-1 (Dowling opposed)
Motion: Direct the Town Administrator to inform Trails Committee that they cannot blaze a trail through any contaminated area. By M. Dowling
2nd: None
Vote: None
- The Selectmen had additional discussion regarding the need for the 9th firefighter for the Department. The Board needs more information to discuss further.
- The Selectmen announced that the Pan Mass Challenge is this weekend.

New Business

None

Motion to adjourn at 8:02pm by P. Gimás

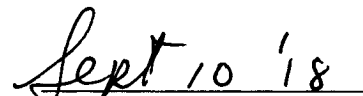
2nd: M. Dowling

Vote: 5-0

Minutes Prepared By: Rebekah DeCoursey



Mary Dowling, Clerk of the Board of Selectmen



Date