

**Board of Selectmen
January 22, 2019
Town Hall**

Present:

Mary Blanchard, Chairman
Priscilla Gimás, Vice-Chair
Mary Dowling, Clerk
Michael Suprenant
Chase Kaitbenski
Jeneé Lacy, Admin Assistant

Also Present:

Jeffrey Bridges Jr. (via Skype)
Bernie Lynch, Paradigm
Jeremy Jalbert, IT

Absent:

Ted Kozak, Interim Town Administrator

Chairman Blanchard called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

The Selectmen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

M. Blanchard read the agenda.

Reconvene to Interview Candidates for the Town Administrator Position

Jeffrey Bridges Jr.

J. Jalbert (IT) set up Skype to interview J. Bridges Jr.

J. Bridges Jr. Skyped in and M. Blanchard introduced the Board of Selectmen to him.

J. Bridges Jr. introduced himself and gave background information about himself and his qualifications, stating that he started in New York, has a Master's Degree in Public Administration, and was a budget analyst in Kansas but found he enjoyed working in local government more than being in the private sector. He was an Administrator in Witichta, KS for 11 years and a Town Manager in Wethersfield, CT for 9 years and is now the Interim in Seward, Alaska for the last 6 months.

The Selectmen each asked J. Bridges Jr. three interview questions regarding his experience with different aspects of the TA position, his attitudes and management style, and his knowledge of Sturbridge.

After the interview with J. Bridges Jr., the Board discussed having the meeting to pick the new Town Administrator either on January 28th or February 4th.

M. Dowling stated that she would like to meet on the 28th because the candidates may take other positions if we wait too long.

The Board decided that they would hold a special BOS meeting on Monday January 28th at 6:30pm with a one item agenda to pick the new Town Administrator.

B. Lynch from Paradigm stated that he would be there if he is needed and he agreed that the sooner the Board chooses a new TA the better.

M. Dowling thanked Paradigm for their help with the Town Administrator search and recruitment process.

Motion: To Adjourn at 11:53am. By: P. Gimas

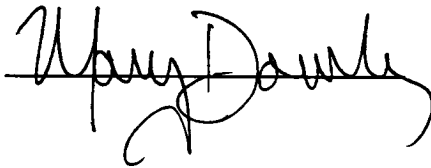
2nd: C. Kaitbenski

Vote: All in Favor (5-0)


Adjourned at 11:53am.

Minutes prepared by: Jeneé Lacy

Clerk of the Board:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Dowling", written over a horizontal line.

Date signed:

A handwritten date "2/28/19" in black ink, written over a horizontal line.