

Board of Selectmen Meeting (Special)
February 22, 2016 at 7:30pm
Town Hall Meeting Room

Present: First Selectman Nina Daniel; Selectman Dennis Tracey; Selectman Chris Spaulding; Town Administrator Tom Landry; Superintendent Dr. Colleen Palmer, BOE Chairman Phil Schaefer, Director of Finance Richard Rudl, Administrative Assistant Randi Derene; Department heads; residents and members of the press.

This meeting was recorded and videotaped. The tapes are available in the Selectmen's office. The meetings are available for viewing online via the Town's website.

Ms. Daniel called the meeting to order at: 7:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Sara Spaulding

Discussion/decision regarding accepting Larry Roberts' resignation from the Strategic Planning Committee effective immediately. Mr. Tracey made the motion to accept the resignation of Larry Roberts from the Strategic Planning Committee effective immediately. Mr. Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding appointing Catherine Revzon to Strategic Planning Committee to fill the vacancy left by Larry Roberts for a term to expire December 31, 2017 Mr. Spaulding made the motion to appoint Catherine Revzon to the Strategic Planning Committee to fill the vacancy left by Larry Roberts for a term to expire December 31, 2017. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding appointing Dawn Egan to the Police Commission to fill the vacancy left by Jeff Eglash for a term to expire November 7, 2017. Mr. Tracey made the motion to appoint Dawn Egan to the Police Commission to fill the vacancy left by Jeff Eglash for a term to expire November 7, 2017. Mr. Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/decision to appoint Sharon Shattuck as an Alternate on the Historic District Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2020. Mr. Spaulding made the motion to appoint Sharon Shattuck as an Alternate on the Historic District Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2020. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding the appointment of Susan Moch as the Moderator and Woody Bliss as the (assistant moderator) Parliamentarian for the ATBM on April 20th, 2016. Mr. Tracey made the motion to appoint Susan Moch as the Moderator and Woody Bliss as the Parliamentarian for the ATBM on April 20th, 2016. Mr. Spaulding seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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Discussion/decision regarding a gift of \$1500.00 for the Weston Police Department made by the Vranos Family Foundation. – Police Chief John Troxell. Chief Troxell stated that these funds are greatly appreciated, and will be put towards the purchase of new bullet proof vests. Mr. Spaulding made a motion to accept a gift of \$1500 from the Vranos Family Foundation for the Weston Police Department. Ms. Daniel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding the Board of Selectmen’s review and transmittal of the Board of Education’s budget to the Board of Finance. BOE Chairman Phil Schaefer, Superintendent Dr. Colleen Palmer, and Director of Finance Richard Rudl: Ms. Daniel made some recommendations including deferring the move of the Copy Center and the creation of a new website and reducing the amount allocated to the Internal Revenue Fund. Discussion ensued about other budget items including the SRO, Special Education, and Facilities. Mr. Tracey made the motion to recommend a reduction in the BOE Operating Budget to \$49,182,488 and a reduction in the BOE Capital Budget to \$484,589 and transmit this budget to the Board of Finance. Mr. Spaulding seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding the Board of Selectmen’s review and transmittal of the First Selectmen’s budget to the Board of Finance. The only change was an increase for the Fire Department budget to cover insurance premiums. Ms. Daniel made the motion to recommend an increase in the Fire Department Budget to \$23,200 to include an additional insurance premium of \$4200 on the Insurance line item. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Daniel moved to transmit the First Selectman’s Operating Budget of \$12,628,839 and a Capital Budget of \$687,100 to the Board of Finance. Mr. Spaulding seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn: 10:15pm

Respectfully submitted,
Randi Derene
Administrative Assistant

Approved: March 24, 2016