

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
May 12, 2016**

At 6:30 PM, Chairman James P. Dawley, Jr. called the meeting to order with members Robyn Hunter and Candace McCann present. Also present were David W. Ramsay, Town Administrator; Greer Pugatch, Assistant Town Administrator; and Mona DiSciullo, Administrative Assistant.

ATTENDANCE: Carl Sheridan, Suzanne Sheridan, Lindsay Duross, Peg Crowley, Carol Lisbon, Ralph Schlenker, Melissa Gramer; Kate Cannie, Warrant Committee; Felicia Hoffman, Town Clerk

PRESS: Maureen Sullivan, Dover-Sherborn Press

Resolution for Constable Carl Sheridan

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen and the Town, Mr. Dawley presented Constable Carl Sheridan with a Resolution honoring him for his 42 years of service as a Constable for the Town of Dover. The Board expressed their appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Sheridan for his extraordinary service and devotion to the Town over many years.

Discuss MBTA Lease Negotiations

At the May 2, 2016 Town Meeting, citizens voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease negotiations with the MBTA regarding a proposed Rail Trail. It is the recommendation of the Board that a three-person working group, similar to the model used for collective bargaining negotiations [Selectman, Town Administrator, and Town Counsel], be established to offer guidance and counsel to the Board as they negotiate a lease with more favorable and clarified terms. The negotiated lease will be presented to the voters at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting.

Discuss Request to Mount Displays on Town House Walls

The Historical Commission has undertaken a project of collecting and framing historical maps and has asked the Board of Selectmen for permission to mount these maps on a first floor hallway wall of the Town House. Project costs would be

assumed by the Commission. The Commission believes these artfully displayed maps will serve as a wonderful learning wall, and it is eager to share this history with the citizens. The Selectmen will revisit this request at their next meeting, keeping in mind the decision of former selectmen who voted, after the Town House renovations, that the Town House walls remain clear.

Discuss Historical Commission Request re Signage

The Historical Commission is requesting permission of the Selectmen to place, wherever a stream crosses a road, a pole with a back-to-back white oval sign on top which states, in black lettering, the name of the stream. These signs are similar to those placed on historical homes. All costs related to the project would be assumed by the Historical Commission. Both the Planning Board and Craig Hughes, who has agreed to mount the signs, have no reservations, and Mr. Ramsay will discuss this issue with Walter Avallone, the Town's Building Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer. Mr. Dawley noted that historically Dover does not look favorably upon signs and asked that this matter be taken under advisement until the next Selectmen's meeting.

Renewal of the Caryl Community Center License Agreements

License Agreements with Dover Automotive and tenants of the Caryl Community Center are renegotiated annually. Dover Automotive has agreed to a lease for FY17 with no changes in Agreement details, and Erin's School of Dance has agreed to a rent increase of five percent for FY17.

Mr. Dawley moved to execute the License Agreement between the Town of Dover and Dover Automotive and the License Agreement between the Town of Dover and Erin's School of Dance for FY17, seconded by Mrs. Hunter; it was unanimously voted.

Vote to Accept Gift of Music Stands from the Friends of the Council on Aging

Ms. McCann moved to accept from the Friends of the Council on Aging (COA) a gift of 20 music stands to be used by COA during music classes, seconded by Mr. Dawley; it was unanimously voted.

Review MIIA's FY17 Renewal Proposal

Dover is a member of the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association (MIIA), a nonprofit organization which provides insurance services to towns in Massachusetts. MIIA has offered Dover a renewal proposal for property, liability, and workers' compensation coverages for FY17 which includes a rate increase of 7.3 percent.

Mrs. Hunter moved to accept MIIA's renewal proposal for property, liability, and workers' compensation coverages as presented, seconded by Mr. Dawley, it was unanimously voted.

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Other Business:

Special Licenses

Ten Special Licenses were requested: May 14 at the Charles River School; May 21 at Elm Bank; May 6 (Retroactive), May 24, June 11, June 18, June 21, June 24, June 25 and June 26, all at the Connors Center.

Mr. Dawley moved to accept all licenses as delineated, seconded by Mrs. Hunter; it was unanimously voted.

Approve April 14 and April 26, 2016 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Mr. Dawley moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2016 meeting, seconded by Mrs. Hunter; it was unanimously voted.

Mr. Dawley moved to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2016 meeting, seconded by Mrs. Hunter; it was unanimously voted.

Citizens' Comments

On behalf of Police Chief McGowan, Mr. Dawley invited the citizens to attend the Police Department's Annual Open House and Cookout/Family Fun Day and tour the new Emergency Communications Center. The event is being held on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 11 AM to 2 PM.

Residents were encouraged to vote during the Town election which will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016 from 7 AM to 8 PM in the Great Hall of the Town House.

Mr. Schlenker commented that displaying the Historical Commission's maps is crucially important to the history of the Town, and he asked about the security of valuable items. Ms. McCann briefly addressed this issue and will bring Mr. Schlenker's concerns to the Commission.

Mr. Dawley has served the Town of Dover for many years as a member of various boards and committees and as a member of the Board of Selectmen from 2010 to 2016. Mrs. Hunter noted that this will be his last meeting as he is not running for reelection. Both Mrs. Hunter and Ms. McCann thanked Mr. Dawley for his many years of service, noting that the Town has benefited immeasurably from his commitment of time and energy and his hard work and many accomplishments. He reiterated that his years on the Board have been rewarding, and all agreed that it has been quite enjoyable and that Mr. Dawley will be missed.

Executive Session

Mr. Dawley moved to go into Executive Session for purposes of discussing charges brought against a Town employee, not to return to Open Session. The Board members were polled individually, and by unanimous roll call vote, convened in Executive Session.

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Adjournment

At 7:05 PM, Mr. Dawley moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Hunter; it was unanimously voted.

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Robyn Hunter, Clerk