

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
January 5, 2017**

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

ATTENDANCE: Kate Cannie, Warrant Committee; Ralph Schlenker, Andres Repela, Dover citizens

PRESS: Scott Calzolaio, Dover-Sherborn Press

**Chief Peter McGowan re Appointment of Police Officer**

Due to an unforeseen resignation, the Police Department has a need for a part-time officer. Police Chief Peter McGowan highly recommended the appointment of Donald Cahill as a part-time police officer to fill the position. Mr. Cahill graduated from Bridgewater State University in 2014, and he has been working as a dispatcher at the University since March of 2016. In addition to a positive background check, Mr. Cahill has shown a strong work ethic and a stated desire to become a Police Officer. The Selectmen congratulated Mr. Cahill on his appointment and extended their thanks to the Interview Panel.

Ms. Hunter moved to accept Chief McGowan's recommendation to appoint Donald Cahill as a part-time police officer subject to the Police Department stipulations, seconded by Mr. Jeffries; it was unanimously voted.

**Review List of 2017 Warrant Articles Submitted to Date**

In addition to 14 annually recurring Articles, 12 Article placeholders have been submitted to date including:

- Selectmen - revision to MGL C.53E ½ revolving accounts
- Town Report Committee – amend Dover Code C3-§3-1, method of distribution of the annual Town Report

- Citizens' Petition – accept Betsy Lane and Hunter's Path as public ways
- Conservation Commission – replenishment of Conservation Commission Fund
- D-S Regional School Committee – free cash transfer pursuant to intergovernmental agreement to pay costs of various items of capital equipment and/or improvements
- D-S Regional School Committee - borrowing to pay costs of various items of capital equipment and/or improvement
- Planning Board – amend C.246 §246 of Dover Code re signage
- Selectmen – 46 Springdale Avenue; install new septic system, subdivide and authorize sale of residence/outbuildings with CR
- Selectmen – enter into lease with the MBTA and funding for design/construction of rail trail
- Recycling Committee – adoption of PAYT program for solid waste disposal
- Assessors – accept Blue Wave solar array PILOT Agreement
- Selectmen – enter into 20-year net metering agreement with Blue Wave

**Consider Waiver of Registered Voter Requirement for Candidate Appointment to Caryl Management Advisory Committee and Council On Aging**

Chapter 4, §4-1 of the Dover Code states that appointed members of a town committee shall be registered voters in Dover. However, it is the prerogative of the Selectmen to waive this requirement in specific cases. The Caryl Management Advisory Committee and Council on Aging Board requested approval of the Selectmen to appoint an unregistered resident to their Committee/Board, and the Selectmen, in this case, waived the requirement.

Ms. Hunter moved in favor of waiving, in this specific case, the Dover Code registered voter requirement, seconded by Mr. Jeffries; it was unanimously voted.

**Appointments**

Ms. Hunter moved to appoint Ruth Townsend to the Caryl Management Advisory Committee for a three-year term expiring on June 30, 2019, seconded by Ms. McCann; it was unanimously voted.

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Ms. Hunter moved to appoint Ruth Townsend to the Council on Aging Board as an Associate Member for a one-year term expiring June 30, 2017, seconded by Ms. McCann; it was unanimously voted.

**Citizens' Comments**

Citizens in attendance inquired about the progress to date regarding the proposed rail trail lease. Mrs. Hunter relayed that although the Selectmen began negotiations with the MBTA in a timely manner, it has been a slow process working through the many levels of that organization. A draft copy of a standard lease has been given to the MBTA's preliminary consultants who will present it to MBTA officials for review.

Ms. McCann informed the residents that two open forums, one regarding the proposed rail trail lease and the other regarding 46 Springdale Avenue, will take place before Town Meeting and will provide residents with an opportunity to learn more about the projects and address any questions and concerns.

**Adjournment**

At 7:10 PM, Ms. Hunter moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jeffries; it was unanimously voted.

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Candace McCann, Clerk