

TOWN OF BROOKLINE SELECTBOARD MEETING
December 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM
Draft Minutes

Actions:

- Voted to approve the minutes for November 20, 2018, as presented.
- Voted to appoint Dot Maggio to represent the Town as agent at the tax sale on 12/6/18.
- Approved Pay Orders.

Present:

Board: Dorothy Maggio (Chair), Gwen Tanza, Bruce Mello, Chris Webb, David Jones

Members of the Public: Guy Tanza (Videographer), Somara Zwick

Call the meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM.

Review changes to agenda if any

Ms. Maggio suggests the Board move all other agenda items to be discussed prior to the budget discussions.

Scheduled members of the Public

Somara Zwick.

Unscheduled members of the Public

None

Approve minutes from the last meeting held on November 20, 2018

No corrections noted. Ms. Maggio moved to approve the minutes for November 20, 2018, as presented. Second by Mr. Mello. **All in Favor, excluding Mr. Webb who was not yet in attendance.**

Appoint Town Agent for tax sale 12/6/18

Mr. Tanza explained that neither he nor Ms. Tanza can represent the Town as the agent at the tax sale on 12/6/18 due to a conflicts of interest. Ms. Maggio stated that she could do it. Mr. Jones moved to appoint Ms. Maggio to represent the Town as agent at the tax sale on 12/6/18. Second by Mr. Mello. **All in Favor, excluding Mr. Webb who was not yet in attendance.**

Sunny Lane Daycare Update – Bruce Mello

Mr. Webb arrived at the meeting. Mr. Mello provided updates on the on recent plumbing/heating issues; vendors have come and evaluated; servicing the boiler has also been scheduled; he will discuss with Mr. Bills possibly assisting in the drain-related prep work; interior door work will start soon; vendor paperwork for Jeffers Plumbing still needs to be sent.

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Communications Review

Emails

- VLCT – town meeting webinars
- Long View Forest Management – post-logging road maintenance

Regular Mail

- VTrans – invoice for box culvert

Pay Orders

Payroll

Ms. Maggio moved to approve Accounts Payable Warrant #2019-21, dated 11/28/18, in the amount of \$7,372.77. Second by Mr. Webb. **All in Favor.**

Accounts Payable

Ms. Maggio moved to approve Payroll Warrant #2019-22, dated 12/5/18, in the amount of \$4,964.34. Second by Mr. Webb. **All in Favor.**

Set agenda for the next meeting: December 19, 2018

- Budget Review
- Town Report
- SLDC
- Articles for Town Meeting
- Executive Session

2019-2020 Budget Discussion

Ms. Zwick joined the Board for discussion of the 2019-2020 Town budget. There was initial discussion of each line item of the Municipal Budget, including each request for special appropriations. This was followed by discussion of the Highway Budget. At the recommendation of the Road Commissioner, the Highway budget lines will all currently be level funded. There was extensive discussion of recycling costs and what the Board should budget for this service for 2019-2020. Both the cost of processing the materials and the frequency of emptying the bins have been increasing each month. There was also discussion of how the Town can deal with the issue of trash dumping at the site, along with how to prevent site access by commercial users and non-residents.

Adjournment

Mr. Webb moved to Adjourn. Second by Mr. Jones. **All in Favor.**
The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, David Jones, Recorder, December 6, 2018.