

Select Board Minutes

November 15, 2022

Town of Cohasset
Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2022
91 Sohier Street-Willcutt Commons

Select Board Members Present: Jack Creighton, Chair
Jean Healey Dippold
Corey D. Evans
Paul Grady
Diane Kennedy

Others Participating: Christopher Senior, Town Manager

Chair Creighton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call Vote; All present.

Pledge-Recited.

Chair Creighton asked for a motion to go into Executive Session Exemption #3-To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation of the public body and the chair do declares. The Board will discuss potential litigation & collective bargaining-Police Union contract. Exemption #1-To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition, or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. The Board will discuss an open meeting law complaint. Motion moved by Select Member Evans, seconded by Select Member Grady. Roll Call Vote; All aye.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.
The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment-None.

FY23 Tax Allocation Hearing (continued from 11/1/2022)-Vote to Close Hearing-Director of Assessing Mary Quill advised the Board the excess levy capacity for this year is \$20,004.13. **Motion by Select Member Evans to adopt the uniform tax rate for FY23, seconded by Select Member Kennedy.** The vote was unanimous (5-0). **Motion by Select Member Kennedy to not adopt the small commercial exemption tax rate for FY23, seconded by Select Member Evans.** The vote was unanimous (5-0). **Motion by Select Member Kennedy to close the FY23 Tax Hearing, seconded by Select Member Evans.** The vote was unanimous (5-0).

Union Contracts-Vote to Ratify-Fire, DPW, Library & Facilities-Mr. Senior advised the Board these contracts have been settled and thanked everyone for working on them. They are all 3-year contracts. He stated the Fire Union contract took a little longer and thanked Select Members Evans and Grady for helping to get it to the finish line. **Motion by Select Member Kennedy to ratify the Fire, DPW, Library and Facilities contracts, seconded by Select Member Evans. Roll Call Vote; All aye.**

Citizen's Petition-Navigation Bylaw-Presentation by Petitioners-Tim Davis-257 Atlantic Ave gave a presentation on the proposed Navigation Bylaw. He stated he is speaking as a resident and not a member of a board or committee. Brian Host-29 Heather Drive gave a presentation on the proposed Navigation Bylaw.

Citizen's Petition-Navigation Bylaw-Public Comments-The following people spoke on the proposed Citizen Petition-Navigation Bylaw. Jack Buckley-272 N. Main Street, Brian Kimball-8 Red Gate Lane, Bill Graham-14 Tilden Ave Scituate, Nan Roth-7 Highland Avenue, George Baumgarten 260-Forest Avenue, Mike Dick-27 Parker Avenue, Tony Vegnani-Chair Board of Selectman of Scituate. Fran Collins-404 S. Main Street, Georg McGoldrick-107 Border Street, Michael Lane-749 Country Way, Scituate, Adam Donovan-21 Whortleberry Lane, Scituate, David Farrag-39 Beechwood Street, Mary Hawkin-Treasure Island Road, Scituate.

Motion by Select Member Grady to adjourn, seconded by Select Member Kennedy. Roll Call Vote; All aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Creighton, Chair