

Select Board Minutes

January 11, 2022

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Virtual Meeting – 143TV and Zoom

Select Board Present: Keri Thompson, Chair
Corey Evans
Diane Kennedy
Jean Healey Dippold
Jack Creighton

Others Participating: Christopher Senior, Town Manager
William Quigley, Police Chief
Meaghan James, Library Director

Chairperson Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. and asked for a Roll Call Vote. All present.

Chairperson Thompson 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 litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. The Board will review an employment action involving the school department. Motion moved by Select Member Creighton, seconded by Select Member Dippold. Select Member Kennedy recused herself from the discussion. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Jean Healey Dippold-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.

The Board went into executive session at 6:37 p.m.
The Board came out of executive session at 7:09 p.m.

Public Comment-None.

FY22 Select Board Goals -Communications Goal Discussion-Mr. Senior reviewed the posting for the new Communications Specialist position. The job has been posted on the town's website and will be posted on MMA, several universities and circulated on social media. The hiring process will include meetings with members of the staff, a look at any examples of work product the candidates have created and potentially a tailored assignment to see how the candidate would plan for/communicate to the public. The Board suggested the position title be Communications & Community Engagement Specialist. Mr. Senior will update the title and edits as discussed. Library Directory Meaghan James updated the Board on the group that has been working on ways to update and improve the website as well as evaluating best practices for social media. Chief Bill Quigley updated the Board on emergency communications, including what the Town is currently doing and ongoing conversations about how to improve community outreach in the future.

Motion by Select Member Creighton to adjourn, seconded by Select Member Dippold. Roll Call Vote; All Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Thomson, Chair