

**BOARD OF
SELECTMEN
MEETING
MINUTES**

September 17, 2019

Town Hall

Chairman Stephen A. Matellian; Selectman Brett A. Simas; Selectman Maureen Dwinnell, Town Manager, Derek S. Brindisi; Executive Assistant, Sandra Hakala

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:30 pm Executive Session under MGL c. 214, S. 1B and MGL c. 4, S. 7, Clause 26c to discuss financial assistance to a resident in need.

Chairman Matellian reopened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. lead the pledge of allegiance and reviewed the agenda.

MINUTES

Motion #1: Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to approve the Regular Session Meeting minutes September 3, 2019.

Second: Chairman Matellian, Majority Action of the Board

INVITED GUESTS

Stone Arbor Farm - Halloween Community Event

On November 1, 2019 and November 2, 2019 Stone Arbor Farm located at 154 West River St Upton is holding a “Haunted Trail” event open to the public. There will be food, games, prizes as well as the haunted trail. All food proceeds will be donated to the Upton Bloomer Girls. This is a nonprofit event. They received a food permit from the board of health consenting that food can be served, and Chief Bradley is recommending a police detail be present during the event. A request to the Town to provide one detail officer each night with a pole light to ensure the safety of all those attending was made. The time of the event will be 5-10pm on Friday and 4-10pm on Saturday.

Selectman Dwinnell recused herself from the discussion.

Motion #2: Motion made by Selectman Simas to approve use of the light pole and associated cost of a police detail funded through the William Knowlton Trust Fund.

Second: Selectman Simas, Majority Action of the Board.

Update from Historical Society Tom Bair, President of the Historical Society provided the Board with an update of recent activities of the society.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Consider Request for Funding Police Detail at Heritage Park

Motion #3: Motion made by Selectman Simas to approve use of the light pole and associated cost of a police detail funded through the William Knowlton Trust Fund.

43 Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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45 [Execute 2018-2021 Upton DPW Hourly CBA](#)

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47 **Motion #4:** Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to approve the 2018-2021 Upton DPW Hourly
48 CBA.

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50 Second: Selectman Simas, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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52 [Motion to Approve Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant](#)

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54 **Motion #5:** Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to accept the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant

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56 Second: Selectman Simas, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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58 [Consider Street Sign Request](#)

59 No action taken based on public safety official recommendations.

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61 **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

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- 63 • The draft STM warrant has been prepared and circulated.
- 64 • Construction on Hartford Ave South has commenced.
- 65 • The recreation director and the ADA coordinator are applying for a grant to fund the new
66 ramp in the lower parking lot.
- 67 • The conservation agent is working with CMRPC in applying for a MVP grant (storm
68 water/flood hazard).

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70 **RECOGNITION**

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72 Mr. Matellian offered condolence to the family of Frank Aniello, a former member of the capital
73 budget committee.

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75 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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77 Michelle Antonelli conveyed her viewpoint on accessibility issues throughout town.

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79 Lyn Haggarty suggested the Town pursue different grant opportunities to provide better
80 accessibility for residents.

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82 **ADJOURN MEETING**

83 **Motion #6:** At 7:59PM Selectman Dwinnell made motion to adjourn.

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85 Second: Selectman Simas, Unanimous: Chairman Matellian

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87 Respectfully submitted, Sandra Hakala Executive Assistant