

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

November 02, 2023

Chair Maureen Dwinnell; Select member Brett Simas; Select member Laura Hebb; Town Manager Joseph Laydon; Executive Assistant Sandra Hakala.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Dwinnell opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP

STM Motions

Th Board reviewed the draft motions for Article 1 through 21. Town Counsel has already reviewed and approved the motions. There are three motions that do not have a dollar future and we are awaiting final estimates to determine the appropriate values.

Assignments

The assignment of articles to move the articles was reviewed.

FY24 Budget

The town manager proposed to transfer \$65K from MURSD Operating Budget to three other accounts as follows: \$15K to Board of Selectmen Salaries, \$20K to HR Expenses for the purpose of cemetery and facility department re-organization and the remaining \$30K to Town Building expenses.

Cemetery

Dennis joined the discussion on Article 5 – Cemetery Professional and Administrative Services. Mr. Laydon recommended that Dennis be the main speaker for the purpose and objectives of the article. The Town Counsel will be ready to comment on the legal nature of the proposed change to the cemetery structure as it related to the DPW Act, if the question gets raised.

R/HA

The town manager prepared two options for the motion for painting of Risteen and Holy Angels. The first motion merges both buildings as one article. The second reflects the Board's opinion that Town Meeting attendees may support one building over the other.

ARPA

Under the second agenda item, the town manager reviewed various options for disbursement of ARPA Premium Pay Funds.

ADJOURNMENT

Brett Simas MOVED to adjourn the meeting of November 2, 2023 at 8:15PM.

Second: Select Member Hebb, Unanimous, Chair Dwinnell.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Hakala, Executive Assistant