



SELECTBOARD
TOWN OF WESTHAMPTON
TOWN HALL
1 SOUTH ROAD
WESTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01027

April 3, 2017

The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Present were Phil Dowling and Jim Huston.

Warrants were signed for: Payroll: \$70,920.16
 Vendor: \$101,393.51

Minutes from March 20, 2017 were approved.

- Highway Superintendent, David Blakesley reported:
 - Gerry Ostrowski is retiring August 5. David wants to begin a search for a crew member to start immediately after his retirement.
 - 2001 highway truck needs replacement.
 - submitted District 2 Mass Highway information for Northwest Road Culvert Relining Project grant funds and returned \$77,000.00 that was unused.
- Fire Chief, Chris Norris reported:
 - finishing back-up camera installations on fire apparatus; engine and brush truck are last to do.
 - waiting for grant for gas meter (multi meter) for fire department.
 - new ambulance cost is \$80,000.00; applying for a grant.
 - would like to have fire alarms installed in the town hall and annex; cost would be \$8,800.00 and \$6,500.00 respectively and \$78.00 per quarter for monitoring; searching for grants to pay for them. Presented a proposal from Industrial Residential Security, LLC.
 - Fy18 budget request is level funded.
 - reported dates he's out of town.
- Annual Report:

Discussed the report dedication and cover photo; the report will be dedicated to the Westhampton Police Department and the cover photo will be of the new Fire Department tanker truck.
- Annual town meeting articles:

Reviewed the annual town meeting articles to submit to the Finance Committee. On a motion, voted to approve the articles and meet with the Finance Committee at 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 10 to discuss articles. Ginny Curtis requested that an article regarding the zip code be placed on the warrant.
- Request transfer from Reserve Fund to Counsel Fees:

The balance in Counsel Fees Account is \$466.21. A balance is due in the amount of \$622.57.

On a motion, voted to request a transfer of \$2,000.000 from the Reserve Fund into the Counsel Fees Account.

- Recycled Product Purchasing Policy:
Received the annual recycle buy policy from HRMC and reviewed a memo of such to departments. On a motion, voted to approve the policy and memo.
- Outlook Farm pouring licensing:
Peter Cleary was present for the discussion. The hearing is at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 6 where answers to questions will be provided. Mr. Cleary asked if Outlook Farm is zoned for a pouring license. He requested a copy of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting results.
- Unregistered vehicle violations:
Ken Sacharczyk and Walter Sacharczyk were present to discuss unregistered vehicles located at 0 Main Road. They received notice from the Zoning Enforcement Officer dated March 14 that they are in violation of the Town of Westhampton Zoning Bylaws dated May 13, 1995 Section 5 and M.G.L. Chapter 40A. They admitted to owning the vehicles and operating a used car and parts business illegally for the last three years. There are three hundred cars at the location and they need to be removed. The Sacharczyk's will submit a plan to the Selectboard for taking the cars out of the former Jaws junkyard (0 Main Road).
- Correspondence previously submitted by email; no discussion:
 - Pioneer Valley Planning Commission minutes 02/23/2017
 - Virtual Towns & Schools future platform enhancements
 - Ginny Curtis; updates 0, 67, 70 Main Road junkyard activity
- Selectboard meetings are April 3, April 6 (Outlook Hearing), and April 18. Monday, April 17 is Patriot's Day, offices closed. The Town Caucus is Monday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m.
- Documents signed:
 - Buy Recycle Policy
- Documents submitted:
 - draft warrant articles
 - proposal from Industrial Residential Security, LLC
 - map of lots (01-26-05 PB 203 PG/23) regarding junk vehicles at 0 Main Road

Adjourned meeting at 8:00p.m.

Approve: _____
Philip Dowling, Chair

James Huston