

## **SELECTBOARD**

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

Minutes of August 13, 2018

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m.

Present were Phil Dowling, Art Pichette, and Maureen Dempsey. Also present were Janelle Austin and Jackie Cowan of KPLaw, David Blakesley, and Shirl Morrigan. Minutes were taken by Cheryl Provost.

The Selectboard voted by roll call, 3 yeas, 0 opposed, to enter into Executive Session at 4:03p.m., as the Chair declared that discussion in a public meeting may have detrimental effect on the town's litigating position with respect to the following litigation: Athanasiou v. Town of Westhampton, Land Court, C.A. 13MISC477975, Athanasiou v. Town of Westhampton, Superior Court, C.A. 1480V00154, Kellogg, et al. v. Town of Westhampton, et al., Housing Court, C.A. 18H79CV000012, FondakowV00105, evaluation of judicial enforcement relative to property located at "0" Main Road. Review of Executive Session minutes of the Selectboard meeting of July 9, 2018; potential approval of minutes.

Returned to open session at 5:45 p.m.

Present were Phil Dowling, Art Pichette, Maureen Dempsey. Also present were Tom Spiro, Susan Bronstein, Jim Faulkner, and Wade Clements. Minutes were taken by Cheryl Provost.

Minutes of July 23, 2018 were approved by 2-yes, and 1 abstain (Phil). Minutes of August 6, 2018 were approved.

- Reviewed the procedures for interview of Town Clerk candidates.
- 6:15-Interviews for Town Clerk were conducted with Tom Spiro then Susan Bronstein. Phil noted that the resumes and applications had been reviewed by board members. Each candidate answered standard questions from the board.
- Reviewed the interviews. Art motioned to offer the position of Town Clerk to Susan Bronstein, second by Maureen. Motion passed by roll vote 3-yes, 0- no.
- Wade Clement visited to discuss the solar application being heard by the Planning Board regarding the consultant. Phil reported that there are questions that remain unanswered and is not prepared to discuss details at this meeting.
- A meeting is scheduled with Clark Rowell, Financial Advisor at 5:00 p.m., August 20. Officials attending include Phil and Art, Selectboard (Art also Safety Complex Committee), Joe Boudreau, Accountant, Patty Cotton, Treasurer, Cheryl Provost, Administrative Assistant, Steve Holt, Safety Complex Committee. The Finance Committee Chair and Moderator were notified for informational purposes. The Selectboard will conduct regular business immediately

## following.

Next meetings are 5:00 p.m., August 20 and 7:00 p.m. September 4.

Adjourned meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Approve:

Philip/Dowling, Chair

Arthur Pichette

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Maureen Dempsey