



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

Minutes of February 18, 2020

The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Present from Selectboard were Maureen Dempsey and Teri Anderson.  
Others present were Bill Jablonski, (highway superintendent) and David Blakesley.  
Minutes were taken by Cheryl Provost.

Teri motioned to nominate Maureen Dempsey as Chair for the meeting in the absence of Phil Dowling.  
So moved.

Minutes of February 3, 2020 were reviewed. Teri motioned to revise the last paragraph of page 2. So voted. Voted to approve minutes as revised.

Minutes of January 21, 2020 were reviewed with revisions to the Collectors report from the draft minutes submitted February 10. Voted to approve minutes as revised.

Warrants were reviewed, approved by vote, and signed for:

Payroll: \$89,690.85

Vendor: \$135,656.68

- Department Updates:  
Highway, Bill Jablonski reported:
  - the easement plan for the King's Highway Bridge Project was approved and signed by the Planning Board on February 11. It requires same by the Selectboard. Teri motioned to accept the easement plan for the King's Highway Bridge Project. Second by Maureen. So voted and signed.
  - town meeting held May 11, 2019, article 33, authorized the Selectboard to acquire property for the King's Highway Bridge Project, a copy of the clerk's certification of the vote was provided. The order is complete and requires signatures of the Selectboard. So voted and signed.
  - the Snow Removal Account is getting low. There are invoices to be submitted for payment and more material is needed. Seeking authorization to deficit spend the Snow Removal Account. Bill stated he will keep the costs down as much as possible. There has been more applying material than plowing this winter so that's where the costs are. Teri motioned to authorize deficit spending of the Snow Removal Account. Second by Maureen. So voted 2-yay, 0-nay.
  - submitted a Contract Between the Massachusetts Dept. of Environmental Protection, the Contractor and a Dual Stream Designated Community for approval by the Selectboard effective July 1, 2020 through an initial termination date of June 30, 2025 with option to renew for two additional five year terms. Contract is subject to appropriations. Teri motioned to accept the Contract Between the Massachusetts Dept. of Environmental Protection, the Contractor and the town for Materials Recycling Facility services of dual stream recycling. Second by Maureen. So voted and signed.
  - patching potholes and blacktop

-submitted resignation from the Hampshire Regional School Committee. Have not been able to attend meetings lately as they conflict with Hilltown Resource Management Coop. and Selectboard meetings. Scott Johndrow may be in with interest of filling the seat.

- Scott Johndrow visited and submitted an interest of appointment to the Hampshire Regional School Committee. He described his background and expressed the importance of representation by the town. He has time available to attend meetings. Teri motioned to appoint Scott Goodrow to the Hampshire Regional School Committee until June 13, 2020 when the position will appear on the ballot of the town election as a three year seat. Second by Maureen. So voted 2-yay, 0-nay.
- FY21 Budget:
  - Cheryl reported she will prepare and email raises proposal to board members prior to the next meeting and to be on agenda of March 2.
  - Teri reported she drafted a description of the planner position. She then received a description from the Franklin Council of Governments. She will take the time to compare the two and bring it to a future meeting.
- Licenses:

Voted to approve a home office business license for Jennifer Black of 252 Chesterfield Road for day trading.
- Correspondence was reviewed:
  - Zoning Board of Appeals notice of Public Hearing 7 p.m., March 24 for application received for a Special Permit submitted by Paul Facticeau of 43 East Shore Road.
  - “It Takes A Village” re-opening Huntington location at the Gateway Regional Middle School
  - Mass. Municipal Assoc. notice of Legislative Breakfast to be held on three different Fridays in March.
  - Comcast Form 500 for the year 2019
  - Dept. of Agricultural Resources notice that Donald Tryon Animal Control Officer) has completed all required training through December 2019
- Other issues:

A proposed ambulance contract between the City of Easthampton and the Town of Westhampton was reviewed. A cover letter by Fire Chief David Antosz explained that the Easthampton Fire Chief submitted the same to the Mayor of Easthampton. Each Chief is requesting the agreement be reviewed by counsel. Voted to authorize counsel to review the agreement.
- Next meeting: 7:00 p.m. March 2 & 16, 2020.
- Documents submitted:
  - clerk’s certification of vote of article 33 of the Annual Town Meeting held May 11, 2019
  - resignation from Hampshire Regional School Committee from Bill Jablonski
  - interest of appointment to Hampshire Regional School Committee from Scott Johndrow
- Documents signed:
  - easement plan for the King’s Highway Bridge Project
  - Order of Taking for the Kings Highway Bridge Project
  - Contract Between the Massachusetts Dept. of Environmental Protection, the Contractor and a

Dual Stream Designated Community  
-business license for Jennifer Black of 252 Chesterfield Road for day trading

Meeting adjourned at 8:05p.m.

Approve: Maureen Dempsey  
Maureen Dempsey

Teri Anderson  
Teri Anderson