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BOS Open Session Minutes of  
November 2, 2021

Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
H. Bernard Monahan Memorial Room  
Town Hall, 242 Union Street

In attendance: Chairman Mike O'Loughlin, Vice Chairman Kara Nyman, Members Larry Ryan, Rich Penney, Tiffanie Needham, Town Administrator Doug Lapp, Assistant Town Administrator Jen Constable, Town Accountant Elizabeth Zaleski, Chief Scott Duffey, Chief Llewellyn, Highway Superintendent Dave Taylor, Sewer Superintendent Keith Nastasia, and Recreation Director Jeanne Blaney.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Community Announcements-

- Tri-Town Veterans Day Parade in Abington – Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00am
- Scouting for Food – Boy & Girl Scout Food Drive -Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup> 9am – 12 noon pickups

3. Minutes-Open Session Minutes of October 19, 2021

MOTION to approve the Minutes of October 19, 2021, by Mr. Penney, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Nyman.  
Unanimous approval

4. New Business –

-Storm Recap: Chief Duffey stated the 10/27 Nor'easter was one of the worst storms the area has seen in a long time. He reported from 10/27-10/31 the Fire Department responded to 172 incidents, with that number expected to reach 200, it was a Type 3 event with widespread damage and National Grid did a phenomenal job. Thank you to the entire Fire Department personnel. Emergency Management CERT Team, run by Christine McGuinness and volunteers, set up a warming/charging station at the Senior Center. With the assistance of the Center's Director Peg Bryan and staff, approximately 200 people were provided food, coffee, and beverage - thank you too all. Fortunately, the storm damage was mainly kept to trees, poles, and wires. Chief Llewellyn said the level of cooperation within Town Departments during the storm is like nothing we've seen in the past- over & above. The Department had 21 road obstructions, 25 alarm calls and 20 car accidents in approximately a 48-hour period. Shout out to the "Regional Dispatch Center" for a great job. Mr. Taylor agrees with the Chief on the tremendous level of cooperation within all Departments – "controlled mayhem". The Town had 150 trees down and approximately 50 private property trees down. Special thank you to Highway Administrative Assistant Sue Tasker. Mr. Nastasia reported the entire pump station went down. Working with the backup, Chief Duffey, MEMA & the Town of Norton there was no sanitary overflow – great news. Thank you to all the Sewer personnel, Dandel Construction, John Hoadley Plumbing, and National Grid. Great effort by all Departments. The Board commented and thanked Departments for a job well done.

-Hartsuff Park Recreation Area Open Space Master Plan – With Ms. Blaney, Mr. Arthur Eddy of Traverse Landscape Architects provided a power point presentation for the Hartsuff Park Open Space Master Plan. The Board commented and thanked Mr. Eddy for detailed presentation.

-FY 23 Budget – Mr. Lapp presented: Budget Calendar with Annual Town Meeting date May 2, 2022, Draft of “Financial Dashboard”, and Long-Term General Government Budget Needs. The Board appreciated the overall financial information provided on the dashboard. Mr. Lapp provided a high-level overview of “draft” budget issues: Cost increases and Adjustments with no general fund cost increases. The Board made comments through-out the presentation, with Ms. Zaleski providing information as needed. The Board thanked Mr. Lapp for the detailed information.

-Other New Business Not Reasonably Anticipated – none

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6. Town Administrator’s Report & Correspondence

-Thank you to the Chiefs, Dave, and Keith

-Press release went out: Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works received 2.24-million-dollar Mass Works Grant to help with the Myer Avenue Treatment Plant: additional well & update pumps

-Additional grants to come - waiting for the State’s press release

-Approved Billboard Overlay District host agreement is in the works; the second-place developer has reached out for possible improvement for a 2<sup>nd</sup> billboard

-COVID – 23 cases currently; Vaccines – 70% partial and 64% fully

-BOH announced residents can put out one extra trash bag week of 11/1 – 11/5

Jury Duty on Tuesday 11/9

7. Selectmen’s Comments

Mr. Penney-no comments

Ms. Needham-Thank you to all

Mr. Ryan- Condolences to the family of Helen Ulich

-Out of Town for storm

Ms. Nyman-Thank you – job well done.

Mr. O’Loughlin–Thank you to everyone.

MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Penney, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan, Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval.

  
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Minutes by Susan Ide, Executive Assistant

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Open Session Minutes approved by the BOS on 11/16/21