

SHARON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Draft until approved at the next regular meeting

A regular meeting of the Sharon BOS was held on November 26, 2019 at 5:30PM at the Town Hall. Present were the three Selectmen, Miriam Jones, reporter Epstein, Brent Prindle taping for Channel 6 and the secretary.

First Selectman Colley called the meeting to order at 5:30.

Mr. Jones made a motion to adopt the agenda as submitted, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Some corrections were made to the 11/12/19 minutes: first page, 6<sup>th</sup> paragraph, 3<sup>rd</sup> line, change "chaise" to "chassis"; and 7<sup>th</sup> paragraph, 7<sup>th</sup> line, change "destroyed" to "damaged". Mr. Flanagan made a motion to approve these minutes with the changes and the 11/19/19 minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor.

As the Board of Finance approved to Town Meeting the purchase of the F550 with financing from Salisbury Bank & Trust Company and the Town to co-sign the Eversource grant/loan package for the Sharon Housing Authority, the BOS needs to set a Special Town Meeting date. Mr. Jones made a motion to set the Special Town Meeting for Friday, December 13, 2019 at 6:30PM, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor.

There are a number of Resolutions that the BOS needs to adopt. They either designate or authorize Brent Colley as First Selectman to sign on behalf of the Town various documents, if need be. Mr. Flanagan made a motion to approve the Resolutions as presented, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor.

The Memorandum of Understanding regarding the 2019 Homeland Security Grant Program was explained to Mr. Flanagan. This is a yearly Memorandum that the BOS needs to approve if the Town is to receive any items or funding through COG. Mr. Jones made a motion to authorize Brent Colley to sign the Memorandum and for the Board to approve the Memorandum, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor.

Salisbury Bank & Trust Company wants a new Certificate of Adoption of Resolution adopted and signed by the new Board of Selectmen. This concerns the Town's Sharon Cemetery Fund. How the Town arrived with the funds for this explained to Mr. Flanagan. Mr. Jones made a motion that the BOS adopts the Resolution as submitted, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor.

A resignation, effective December 1, 2019 has been received from Patricia Chamberlain from TRAC. The Board commented on her service to the Town on this committee and new ventures. Mr. Flanagan made a motion to accept the resignation effective 12/1/19, seconded by Mr. Jones with thanks for her years of service, will all in favor.

As in the past, one of our Selectmen have served on TRAC. This was done by Jessica Fowler. Mr. Flanagan emphasized that there are openings on this Committee for Sharon residents if anyone is

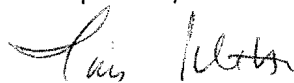
interested in recycling. Mr. Colley made a motion to appoint Casey Flanagan to TRAC, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor.

Community Update:

- a. The forum on Broadband was held and there was a good turnout of individuals.
- b. Information on Broadband will be in the next newsletter.
- c. Sharon Hospital will be holding a forum here at Town Hall in December 4, 2019 from 4:30PM to 6:00PM.
- d. Mr. Colley welcomed Mr. Flanagan to the BOS and commented that his view point on topics and ideas, etc. will be valuable to the Board.
- e. As we are getting into winter, road work is done when weather allows.
- f. The "speed sign" has been moved up and down Hilltop Road. It seems to be effective. The sign will be put on other problem roads.
- g. Due to the Green Project, the tree lighting will be held at the War Memorial with a donated tree on December 7, 2019. This event is coordinated between the Green Preservation Group and the Historical Society. Using a temporary tree was a good compromise. Events on that day start at the Library at 4PM with the tree lighting at 4:45 then back to the Historical Society. Mr. Flanagan was concerned with safety of individuals and offered that perhaps the area should have banner tape put up to keep individuals away from the road. Perhaps either the Green Preservation Group or the Historical Society could contact the Town's Safety Officers to see if they would be available to help.
- h. The Cricket Valley power plant is moving along. There is a meeting in Kent on Monday. There are reports from our air monitor but one needs to understand the data as the measurements are done in different values.
- i. Miriam Jones, our Social Service Agent, has placed a "secret Santa mail box" at the post office for Sharon children to write letters to Santa's telling him what they would like. Ms. Jones told the Board about a Thanksgiving dinner to be held at the Pilgrim House in Canaan on Thanksgiving from Noon to 2PM.
- j. Asst. Town Clerk Marlene Woodman had contacted Maria Horn about 30 years of service to the Town Citation for Linda Amerighi, our Town Clerk. The Citation was presented last Thursday. Mr. Colley showed a photo. CONGRATULATIONS TO LINDA. Mr. Colley reviewed the longevity of our Town Hall employees: Linda Amerighi 30 years; Jamie Casey 25 years; Donna Christensen 18 years; Patty Braislin 17 years; Stan MacMillan as Fire Marshal 33 years as Building Official and Open Burning Official 25 years; and Tina Pitcher Town Secretary 40 years, 41 in January.

With nothing further, Mr. Jones made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55.

Respectfully submitted,



Tina Pitcher, Town Secretary

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