

Members Present: Heather M. Billings, James A. DeLisle, Wayne R. Walker

Others Present: Karen Murphy, Stephanie Lahtinen, Kevin Nivala, Keith Harding

CALL TO ORDER

H. Billings called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in room 205 of the Town Hall. She announced that the meeting was being recorded by Ashburnham/Westminster Community Access TV.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPROVALS

WARRANTS

J. DeLisle made a motion to approve the following warrants.

April 26, 2018	Accounts Payable 43A	\$146,595.42
May 3, 2018	Payroll 44B	\$204,340.04
May 2, 2018	Deduction 44C	\$178,163.32

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

MINUTES OF APRIL 9 AND APRIL 18, 2018

W. Walker made a motion to approve the minutes of April 9 and April 30, 2018. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

GREEN COMMUNITIES GRANT AGREEMENT EXTENSION

W. Walker made a motion to execute the Green Communities contract extension through May 31, 2019. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CROCKER POND 2018 PERMIT RULES & REGULATIONS

W. Walker made a motion to approve the changes to the Crocker Pond Permit Rules and Regulations and sticker application. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

ZONING BOARD APPOINTMENTS

W. Walker made a motion to appoint Peter Tomasello and George Sammet as Associate Members to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PAYROLL AUTHORIZATIONS

W. Walker made a motion to appoint Adam Prentiss as a part time dispatcher and part time police officer. This position will be on a per diem basis. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

W. Walker made a motion to hire Alan Mayo as the Cemetery Superintendent, filling a vacancy. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

W. Walker made a motion to hire the following seasonal Crocker Pond Attendants: Paul Engman and Salvatore Albert II as part time Attendants and Rob Peters as Junior Attendant. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

W. Walker made a motion to hire Ann Loree, to replace Rita McConville as part time Health Agent. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

HEARINGS/OTHER SCHEDULED MATTERS

DCR REQUEST TO REDUCE PUBLIC NOTICE

W. Walker made a motion to waive the 120 day notice period for the acquisition of approximately 58.64 acres of land off Gatehouse and East Roads for the purpose of increasing the acreage of Leominster State Forest. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

ONGOING BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS

ASSIGN/APPROVE TOWN MEETING MOTIONS

The Board reviewed and assigned the motions of the May 5, 2018 Special and Annual Town Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

H. Billings moved that the board enter into Executive Session at 6:22 p.m. according to MGL 30A, s. 21(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining. W. Walker seconded the motion. Mr. Walker indicated that the meeting would adjourn directly following Executive Session. The motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Wayne R. Walker, Clerk

(Prepared by S. Lahtinen)