

Members Present: Heather M. Billings, James A DeLisle, Salvatore J. Albert Jr.

Others Present: Mark Hawke, Stephanie Lahtinen

CALL TO ORDER

H. Billings called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in room 205 of the Town Hall. She announced that the meeting was being recorded and broadcast live by Ashburnham/Westminster Community Access TV.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Light the Town Purple event on Academy Hill May 18th at 8pm. This event will raise awareness for the Relay for Life in Gardner on the weekend of June 11 and 12.

APPROVALS

WARRANTS

S. Albert made a motion to approve the following warrants:

Accounts Payable	#21-47A	5/23/2021	\$533,457.80
Payroll	#21-47B	5/23/2021	\$213,285.35

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2021

S. Albert made a motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2021. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

THEORY WELLNESS – HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

S. Albert made a motion to approve the Host Community Agreement with Theory Wellness for a flat fee of \$200,000/year for five years. The motion was second and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (MGL Ch. 30A, s. 21 [3]) TO DISCUSS STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH NON UNION PERSONNEL)

J. DeLisle moved that the board enter into Executive Session at 5:07 p.m. according to MGL Ch. 30A. s. 21(3) with respect to contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and that to continue in open session would have a detrimental effect on the Towns bargaining position. J. DeLisle seconded the motion. H. Billings indicated that the meeting would adjourn reconvene following Executive Session. The motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Select Board meeting reconvened at 5:17 p.m.

ONNGOING BUSINESS/MISCELLANEAOUS

CONTRACT – TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

S. Albert made a motion to execute the contract with Stephanie Lahtinen as Town Administrator, effective June 7, 2021 through June 30, 2024. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Heather M. Billings, Clerk

(Prepared by S. Lahtinen)