

TOWN OF HOLLISTON

SELECT BOARD

May 11, 2021
6:30PM

High School Library
370 Hollis Street

Present: John Cronin, Chair; Tina Hein, Vice Chair; Ben Sparrell, Clerk.

Also Present: Travis Ahern, Town Administrator; Kate Feoderoff, Town Counsel.

At 6:35pm J. Cronin called the meeting to order.

WARRANTS:

None

PREPARATION FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:

K. Feoderoff discussed the remaining articles that were not taken up by Town Meeting on May 10, 2021, due to the 11:00pm stop time. First, the enforceability of Article 36, a Citizen's Petition was discussed. J. Cronin asked if there was a consensus amongst the Board on Article 36. T. Hein and B. Sparrell agreed that the enforceability issue made the article difficult to support and that the spirit of the article could be supported through administrative action by the Town Administrator and IT Director.

K. Feoderoff discussed Article 37, a Citizen's Petition to increase the Select Board from 3 to 5 members. K. Feoderoff indicated that she had discussed with Jay Talerman, also of MTC, that the motion that was provided to them by a resident was in order – the motion is to have the election be held at the next available Town Election for the proposed additional Select Board members. K. Feoderoff also offered that this is a significant change to the structure of the Board, but would be allowed by Citizen's Petition because the Town does not have a Charter. T. Ahern also mentioned that he received confirmation from MassDOR's Division of Local Services (DLS) Technical Assistance Bureau (TAB) that they will be in Holliston in June of 2021 to review the Town's government structure. J. Cronin asked if there was a consensus view of this article by Board members and T. Hein and B. Sparrell agreed that the discussion has merit, but they would want the Governance Committee to review the issue and present findings for a more robust discussion on the topic before they would be comfortable supporting the idea.

BOARD BUSINESS:

None.

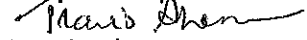
OTHER BUSINESS:

T. Ahern asked that the Board sign a proclamation for Peace Officers' Memorial Day to be held at 8:30am on Friday, May 14, 2021 for John Johnson.

At 7:04pm B. Sparrell made a motion to recess to Town Meeting. T. Hein second. Vote 3-0.

Town Meeting adjourned at 8.56pm.

Respectfully submitted;



Travis Ahern

Approved 5-24-21