



**TOWN OF HOLLISTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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MEETING MINUTES
HOLLISTON TOWN HALL
MAY 13, 2019**

Present: Mark Ahronian, Vice Chairman; John Cronin, Clerk

Absent: Jay Marsden, Chairman (Mr. Marsden joined the meeting at 7:13p.m.)

Also present: Jeff Ritter, Town Administrator

At 7:00p.m. Vice Chairman M. Ahronian called the meeting to order.

1.) Warrant: J. Cronin read the Warrant and made a motion to approve the weekly vendor (expense) and payroll Warrant (19-46) in the amount of \$1,187,775.83. Second, M. Ahronian. Voted 2-0

2.) Public Comment: J. Cronin said there will be Peace Officers' Memorial Day event at St. Mary's Cemetery on Wednesday, May 15th at 8a.m. This is a great opportunity to recognize men and women in the public safety profession who have given their lives protecting citizens especially Holliston's John Johnson who gave his life while on duty.

M. Ahronian thanked the Holliston Reporter and HCAT for providing outstanding coverage of the recent Town Meeting. They both provided valuable information to residents in preparation for the Annual Town Meeting. All of which made a big difference when residents are well informed.

3.) Report of the Town Administrator: J. Ritter said the roof replacement at 1750 Washington Street is more 50% completed. However, weather conditions are causing unanticipated delays. The project appears to be on schedule and on budget.

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Regarding the solar project at the former landfill the question and answer period ended last Friday. The next step is to receive the proposals. He thanked J. Cronin for volunteering to review them when they are received on May 24th. Twenty-four (24) vendors have expressed interest.

The Library ceiling replacement is on schedule. The framing repairs are nearly complete, the temporary shoring has been pulled down and removed, and the rough electrical work has started.

There was a pre-construction meeting last Thursday regarding the water main replacement project in Mudville. The contractor, the Town's engineer and DPW personnel reviewed the details of the project. Work is scheduled to start on Monday, May 20th.

This Thursday there will be a "Core Team" meeting with the Town's consultant to get the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) planning process started. This will be followed by a series of community conversations.

The Senior Center steps have been replaced, carpet installed and windows and doors have been ordered.

4.) Board Business

Deputy Wiring Inspector Appointment: J. Cronin made a motion to appoint Michael Perkins as Deputy Wiring Inspector for a term that will expire at the end of June. Second, M. Ahronian. Discussion: It was noted that the previous Deputy Wiring Inspector passed away recently. Voted 2-0

Meeting Minutes of April 29, 2019 and May 6, 2019: J. Cronin made a motion to approve and release the Meeting Minutes from April 29, 2019 and May 6, 2019. Second, M. Ahronian. Voted 2-0

Proclamation – Peace Officer Memorial Day: J. Cronin read the Proclamation that will be presented on Wednesday morning May 15th at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Appointment – On-Call EMT and MAPC Representative and Alternate: J. Cronin made a motion to confirm the Town Administrator's appointment of Carolyn Mercuri as an On-Call EMT.

The Board decided to hold on the MAPC appointments until after the election.

Annual Town Meeting Follow-Up: J. Cronin said he was pleased and overall the meeting was orderly and it went well.

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At 7:13p.m. J. Marsden joined the meeting. He thought the Annual Town Meeting went well and that Bill Mayer as Moderator did a very good job.

M. Ahronian agreed that B. Mayer did a great job.

J. Marsden said he was sorry to be late for the meeting this evening. However, State Senator Karen Spilka appointed him to a Citizen Commission and they will make a determination if they will recommend moving forward with the ballot question. They are working on a series of listening tours and the impact money would have on state elections.

J. Cronin asked about the Commission. J. Marsden said it was made up of local officials, academics, the business community and non-profits. The objective is to release a report this December.

Regarding Town Meeting M. Ahronian said work will continue to get a facilities manager approved at the October Special Town Meeting.

Disband the 8 Arch Bridge Committee: J. Cronin made a motion to disband the 8 Arch Bridge Committee and that a letter of thanks be sent to the members. Second, J. Marsden.
Voted 3-0

5.) Any Other Business: None

Adjourn: At 7:19p.m. J. Cronin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second, J. Marsden.
Voted 3-0

Respectfully submitted,



J. Jeffrey Ritter
Town Administrator