

**Select Board Meeting Minutes**  
Thursday, May 28, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.  
Office of the Select Board, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
3 Hollow Road, Wales, MA

Members Present: Chairman - William Matchett III, Vice Chair - Michael Valanzola, Clerk Selectman John Grasso

Others Present: Pamela Leduc - Executive Secretary, Leon Givner, Shanon Grasso, Keith Davis, and Roy Lainson, Jillian Mustion

Chairman Matchett called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

**Reorganization**

**Motion 052820-01 by Selectman Valanzola to appoint Selectman Matchett as Select board Chairman, Seconded by Selectman Grasso**

**No discussion, all in favor.**

**Motion 052820-02 by Selectman Grasso to appoint Selectman Valanzola to Vice Chair of Select board, Seconded by Selectman Matchett**

**No discussion, all in favor.**

**Motion 052820-03 by Selectman Valanzola to appoint Selectman Grasso to Select board Clerk, Seconded by Selectman Matchett**

**No discussion, all in favor.**

**FY 2021 Budget**

The Board of Selectman and Finance Committee discuss FY 2021 budget. Selectman Valanzola explains that the fact that the State of Massachusetts has been shut down for several months means that meal tax, sales tax and all the things that fund local aide and Chapter 70 are not lucrative when the economy is shut down. The Finance Committee and Selectman work towards balancing the FY 2021 budget against level funded local aide numbers.

**Motion 052820-04 by Selectman Valanzola to reduce the budget proposal by \$25,162.00 with the deductions coming from the following line items: \$10,688.00 from Chapter 32B**

**\$7,237.00 from WES**

**\$3,619.00 from the reserve**

**Seconded by Selectman Grasso**

**No discussion, all in favor.**

Finance Committee member Roy Lainson makes a motion to reduce the budget proposal by \$25,162.00 with the deductions coming from the following line items: \$10,688.00 from Chapter 32B

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**\$3,619.00 from the reserve**

Seconded by Finance Committee member Jillian Mustion. No discussion, all in favor.

Vote to approve and authorize the Chair to sign PVPC City/Town-Owner Amendment 9 LaFlamme Road, Brimfield

**Motion 052820-05 by Selectman Valanzola, Seconded by Selectman Grasso.**

**No discussion, all in favor.**

Retiree Coverage

**Motion 052820-05 by Selectman Valanzola; Seconded by Selectman Grasso**

The Selectman directed the Executive Secretary Pam L. to direct the Treasurer to send a letter to all retirees indicating the changes made with a reduction of coverage from 80% to 70% effective September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**No discussion, all in favor.**

**Old Business**

COVID-19 update/discussion/action plan

Selectman Valanzola explains to the Finance Committee what the logistical setup of town meeting will be and what safety precautions they are taking to keep the meeting safe.

**Finance Committee members moved with recording device to accounts office to finish their meeting.**

*Minutes were transcribed by Sarah Ryan – Assistant Town Clerk via DVD*