

**SELECT BOARD MEETING
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Thursday, October 8, 2020
Office of the Select Board, 1st Floor
3 Hollow Road, Wales, MA**

Members Present: Chairman William Matchett III; Clerk John Grasso

Members Absent: Vice Chairman Michael Valanzola

Others Present: Leis Phinney, Town Clerk; Nancy Baer, Library Director; Kimberly Bready, Library Trustee; Pamela Leduc, Executive Secretary

Chairman Matchett called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Matchett led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Wales Board of Selectmen is being conducted in-person and via remote participation. **No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted**, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the Town of Wales website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting."

OLD BUSINESS

Wales Library ADA Ramp Reconstruction project: Library Trustees to submit a Reserve Fund Transfer Request to the Finance Committee in the amount of \$5,630.00.

NEW BUSINESS

Vote to designate a new polling location in the Town of Wales

Motion 100820-01 by Selectman Grasso; seconded by Chairman Matchett:

"Based on the facts reported by the Town Clerk, the Wales Board of Selectmen conclude that both public health and public convenience would be better served by the use of the Wales Elementary School for the Massachusetts General Election on November 3, 2020 and that the change in polling location would not have an adverse impact on access to the polls for any voter in Wales on the basis of their race, national origin, disability, income, or age and therefore I move to designate the Wales Elementary School as the polling location for Ward 0 Precinct 1 for the Town of Wales for the General Election on November 3, 2020"

The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to amend the polling hours for the State Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 to open one half hour early or 6:30 AM

Motion 100820-02 by Selectman Grasso; seconded by Chairman Matchett; to amend the polling hours for the State Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 to open one half hour early or 6:30 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to approve and sign the warrant for the State Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 from 6:30 AM to 8:00 PM

Motion 100820-03 by Selectman Grasso; seconded by Chairman Matchett; to approve and sign the warrant for the State Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 from 6:30 AM to 8:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to approve and sign the October 21, 2020 Special Town Meeting Warrant: Unanimous consent given on September 28, 2020.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion 100820-04 by Selectman Grasso; seconded by Chairman Matchett; to approve Proposal No 124677 dated September 24, 2020 in the amount of \$3,100.00 submitted by APMI to furnish all labor, equipment and material necessary to crack fill the Highway/Fire facility parking area. The motion passed unanimously.

Board members instruct Ms. Leduc to post the next meeting for Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm at TRHS auditorium and to cancel the Monday, October 26, 2020 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman Grasso; seconded by Chairman Matchett; to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Leduc

Executive Secretary