

Select Board –Town of Wales, Massachusetts
Open Meeting Minutes February 20th, 2018 – Complete
3 Hollow Road, Wales Massachusetts 01081

Members Present: Chairman: Ed Boyce (**EB**); Vice Chairman: Jeff Vannais (**JV**) Clerk: James Whalen (**JW**)
Executive Secretary - Janine Drake (JD)
Others Present: Fire Chief: John Croke (JC); Adam Brassard (AB) Road Commissioner: Bruce Cadieux; Transfer Station Director: Dick Silva

Ed Boyce (**EB**) called the Open meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
The Board approved to discuss the Agenda Items out of order.

***Motion-02202018-1 JW** made a motion to enter into an Executive Session #2. At 6:pm
Roll Call: Vannais, YES; Whalen, YES; Boyce, YES.

***Motion 02202018-2 JW** made a motion to re-enter into an open session.
Seconded by: **JV. Roll Call: Vannais, YES; Whalen, YES; Boyce, YES.**

🕒 Fire Chief John Croke's Contract:

***Motion-02202018-3** Jeff Vannais (**JV**) made a motion to accept the proposed language with the Fire Chief's Contract appointment from this day (2-20-2018) forward until June 30th 2020. **Seconded by:** James Whalen (**JW**) **Vote: All In Favor (AIF) Discussion:** None.

🕒 Emergency Planning with Fire Chief, John Croke (JC) and Road Commissioner, Bruce Cadieux:

The last time we used a shelter was for the October 2011 storm at Norcross. We are at the drawing table at this point regarding setting up a shelter in Wales. We do not have a shelter in place, currently. We should use the Elementary School in a crisis. We do need a back-up generator. Do we want a stand-alone shelter or do we want a regional shelter? Typically the FD applies for a small grant every year for emergency management. We need new cots and some staffing. JV mentions that it would be prudent to sit down with Brimfield, first. Our discussion with Brimfield is our starting point. Our next step is to have a conversation with our neighbors to see if they are interested in regionalizing. MEMA's recommendation was to open up a regional tri-town shelter discussion.

***Motion-02202018-4 JV** made a motion to have a discussion with our neighbors, Brimfield & Holland to see if they are interested in regionalizing regarding putting a shelter in place. John Croke will informally reach out to Brimfield and find out how they feel about a tri-town shelter and will get back to the Select Board with some information.
Seconded by: JW Vote: All In Favor (AIF) Discussion: None.

🕒 Community Development Block Grant Clarity with Available Funds:

The Wales Food Pantry applied for a grant to provide a vehicle. The Town of Wales is not purchasing this vehicle. If the Food Pantry is awarded this fund, the federal funds will pass through the Town of Wales however, is not the Town of Wales Funds. This federal grant will be for the Food Pantry. NO town money will be used in purchasing this truck.

🕒 Olde Home Day:

Monies keep trickling in. Firework Show will be about 20 minutes long. We are looking for vehicles for the parade. If anyone is interested in the parade please fill out an application available on line. We are still in need of additional funding. Go Fund Me page attached to Face Book page. Big Thanks to Nicole Croteau. We are looking forward to a great event.

🕒 Appoint Adam Brassard & James Whalen as a ZBA Associate Member:

***Motion 02202018-5 JV** made a motion to appoint Adam Brassard and James Whalen as a ZBA Associate Members.

Seconded by: JV Vote: All In Favor (AIF) Discussion: JW's role with Planning Board seat and as Select Board, Clerk and as ZBA Associate and the possible conflicts.

🕒 PVPC (5) Discharge of Liens Signatures Required:

***Motion 02202018-7 JV** made a motion to sign (5) Discharge of Liens.
Seconded by: JW Vote: All In Favor (AIF) Discussion: None.

🕒 Signing of Class III Auto License for Dick Silva :

***Motion 02202018-8 JW** made a motion to sign Dick Silva's Class III application and Class III Auto License/Dick Silva
Seconded by: JV Vote: **All In Favor (AIF)** Discussion: None.

***Purchase of a Small Loader for the Transfer Station With Dick Silva (DS):**

DS is looking for a used small loader.

***Motion 02202018-9 JW** made a motion to authorize Dick Silva to purchase a loader, under Chapter 30B Procurement Laws, for the Transfer Station for the cost up to \$9,999.00.

Seconded by: JV Vote: **All In Favor (AIF)** Discussion: None.

***Motion 02202018-10 JW** made a motion to recess for the creation of the 02-20-2018 Executive Session Minutes and regular Minutes.

Seconded by: JV Vote: **All In Favor (AIF)** Discussion: **None.**

EB calls meeting out of recess at 8:45 pm.

***Motion 02202018-11 JW** made a motion to recess for the creation of the 02-20-2018 Executive Session Minutes and regular Minutes.

***Motion 02202018-12 JV** made a motion to release Executive Session minutes in tonight's meeting for there is no longer a need to maintain their confidentiality.

***Motion 02202018-13 JW** made a motion to approve the 02-20-2018 Executive Session Minutes as amended and to approve the 02-20-2018 regular minutes as amended.

***Motion 02202018-14 JW** made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

Seconded by: JV Vote: **All In Favor (AIF)** Discussion: **None.**

*Respectfully submitted,
Janine C. Drake, Executive Secretary*