

Worcester Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Selectboard members present: Roger Strobridge, Carter Stowell and John Kaeding

Guests present: Jennifer LeStat, Katie Miller and Will Sutton

Housekeeping

- John called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm
- John moved to accept the draft minutes of April 1, 2024 as written, seconded by Roger and unanimously approved

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

- John moved to add to the agenda under new business a letter of support for the Worcester Historical Society, seconded by Roger and unanimously approved

Public Input - none

Department Reviews

Town Clerk Report

- Jennifer drafted a note to Black Crow Cafe regarding their responsibilities during the proposed BYOB event
- preparations are underway for the upcoming May 7 school budget election

Town Treasurer Report

- 13 of 16 FEMA projects are obligated - meaning they are in the payment pipeline
- Contract for Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) support was signed with CVRPC.
- delinquent taxes are under \$20,000
- quarterly Federal and State reports were completed
- Katie rolled a 3 month investment certificate of deposit into another CD at 5%

Fire Department Report

- Will noted that there have been several folks in Town burning without permits resulting in complaints from neighbors. He reminds Worcester residents that they must obtain burn permits in advance of any burning activities.

New Business

LBJ tobacco license renewal

- John moved that the Town of Worcester renew tobacco license application #41922 for LBJ's; seconded by Roger and unanimously approved

Fire Department annual coin drop permit

- the SB was in unanimous support of the annual Fire Department coin drop and signed a letter of approval

Mountainsong Expeditions parking

- parking for this annual event will take place at a defined location behind the Highway Department building

Old Business

Fireworks contract discussion

- The Town of Worcester will send a check to Northstar Fireworks for \$6,000 for the Fourth of July celebration in compliance with Town Meeting vote

Worcester/Middlesex road maintenance agreements

- the Towns will return to the old manor of road maintenance where each Town maintains to the limits of its borders

Statement on Perchlorate levels

- John wrote a brief note explaining the significance of the recent perchlorate test for Worcester's drinking water. It will appear on the Worcester website and explains that Worcester's water is safe regarding perchlorate levels.

Roberts Rules discussion

- this was tabled until future meeting

Correspondence - none

Announcements

- the next regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting will be held at the Office Complex on Monday May 6, 2024 at 6:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

Bills

- signed as presented

Attest. John Kaeding