



OFFICE OF THE SELECTBOARD
272 Main Street Townsend Massachusetts 01469



Chaz Sexton-Diranian, *Chairman*

Joseph Z. Shank, *Vice Chairman*

Theresa A. Morse, *Clerk*

R. Eric Slagle, *Town Administrator*

Sabrina Moore, *Administrative Assistant*

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Topic: Board of Selectmen

Time: May 2, 2023, 18:00 Eastern Time (US and Canada)

I. PRELIMINARIES:

- 1.1 Call the meeting to order and roll call.
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Announce the meeting is being recorded.

Board of Selectmen meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Chaz Sexton-Diranian, Joseph Shank and Theresa Morse in person. Joint Meeting with the Appointing Committee was announced.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Chaz Sexton-Diranian announced meeting is being recorded, is live on channel 9 and will be on the Town's YouTube channel afterwards. Initial meeting will be here, then a brief recess and reconvene in Memorial Hall at 7PM.

- 1.4 Chairman's Additions or Deletions.

Additions: None

Deletions: None

- 1.5 Review/Approve the meeting minutes for 3/28/2023

Motion was made by Theresa Morse and seconded by Chaz Sexton-Diranian to approve meeting minutes for 03/28/2023. The motion was passed with all in favor unanimously. Joseph Shank abstained.

II. APPOINTMENTS AND HEARINGS:

- 2.1 (6:35) Meeting of the Appointing Committee of NVTSH to vote on reappointment of Sheldon Chapman for a three-year term from April 1, 2023, thru March 31, 2026

John Barrett called meeting to order at 6:35PM. Susan Robbins, Jessica Funaiole, Randee Rusch and Lisa Bloom were present. Local School Committee as part of appointing committee question came up, tradition per Susan Robbins will be only Jessica Funaiole and Susan Robbins to appoint as the Townsend Representatives instead of the members at large. Minutes from the last meeting March 30, 2021 via Zoom were read into record by John Barrett. Motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Jessica Funaiole to accept March 30, 2021 minutes. Motion was passed with all in favor (Jessica Funaiole, Susan Robbins and John Barrett).

John Barrett stated that 1 Vacancy was present as Sheldon Chapmans term was up and he asked to be re-appointed and John Barrett would endorse that.

Motion was made by Chaz Sexton-Diranian and seconded by Joseph Shank to re-appoint Sheldon Chapman as Representative of Townsend to the Nashoba Valley Technical School Committee for a three-year term to end March 31, 2026. Motion was passed with all in favor by the Board of Selectmen, Moderator and Townsend Representatives of the NMRSD School Committee.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jessica Funaiole and seconded by Susan Robbins at 6:44PM.

III. APPOINTMENTS OF
OFFICIALS/PERSONNEL :

3.1 Appoint Paul Naumann
as Heavy Equipment
Operator in Highway Dept.

IV. MEETING BUSINESS:

4.1 Discuss/Vote
Selectboard Reorganization

4.2 Finalize Any Warrant
Article Issues for TM

4.3 Finalize any Budget
issues for TM

4.4 Finalize any issues with
ATM Article 20 RE: Street
Acceptances

Motion was made by Joe Shank and seconded by Theresa Morse to adjourn at 6:44PM. Motion was passed with all in favor.

Motion was made by Theresa Morse and seconded by Joseph Shank to appoint Paul Naumann as Heavy Equipment Operator in the Highway Department. Motion was passed with all in favor unanimously.

Chaz Sexton-Diranian welcomed new Selectman Joseph Shank to his first meeting of the Board of Selectmen in 2023.

Motion was made by Joseph Shank and seconded by Chaz Sexton-Diranian to keep Chaz Sexton-Diranian as Chair, Joseph Shank as Vice-Chair and Theresa Morse as Clerk. Theresa Morse stated to amend the Motion and lay it out as three separate votes. Statement was taken as a Motion to amend and Chaz Sexton-Diranian seconded.

Motion was made by Chaz Sexton-Diranian and seconded by Theresa Morse:

1. For Chaz Sexton-Diranian to be Chair: Motion was passed with Theresa Morse yes, Chaz Sexton-Diranian yes and Joseph Shank yes.
2. For Joseph Shank to be Vice Chair: Motion was passed with Theresa Morse no, Chaz Sexton-Diranian yes and Joseph Shank yes.
Theresa Clerk no, Chaz yes, Joe yes
3. For Theresa Morse to be Clerk: Motion was passed with Theresa Morse no, Chaz Sexton-Diranian yes, Joseph Shank yes.

STM: Article 16: should be FY23 for the Snow and Ice deficits. It was FY22 in error. .

Article No 9 – 10K – no action will be taken.

ATM: Article 5: Transfer funds section, corrected amount and line above is 600K. Article 18 changes were made for CPA effective in July 2024.

Changes in the description to clarify the surcharge. Budget had no issues. Line 493 in the budget itself only alteration is the amount for the Schools. No change was made to the functional segments or the School assessment. Their assessment will be fully with the vote, the actual assessment came in slightly lower but numbers are left in. The Schools will have a meeting sometime this week to take another budget vote.

As discussed in the last meeting the applicant and atty with TA. Applicable subdivision regulations were found. Once reviewed the waivers received eliminated every issue that the Building Inspector had raised and certification was received from the engineer that everything was built by the original approval Dec 2001, 1999 Subdivision regulations. Plantings were not wanted and the rest was killed by ice and snow. It is the Water Departments intention to remove the island in its entirety at the end of Harbor Trace to allow for snowplowing. Okay to go forward.

V. WORK SESSION:
5.0 ARPA Projects

1. Discuss/vote on reallocation of \$10k in ARPA funds to Bandstand project from ARPA 18 - Other ARPA Related Expenses

2. Discuss/vote on reallocation of \$40k in ARPA funds to Town Building Maintenance/Repair Evaluation from ARPA 18 - Other ARPA Related Expenses

5.1 Announcements, Communications, etc.

1. Conservation Hearing on 5/10 re: NOI for 158 Fitchburg Rd

5.2 Next meeting - Tuesday, May 16, 6 pm - Regular Meeting;

5.3 Review and sign payroll and bills payable warrants out of session.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Reallocation ARPA funding 10K added to the Bandstand Improvement Project.

Motion was made by Theresa Morse and seconded by Joseph Shank to accept the Re-allocation of 10K in ARPA funds for the Bandstand project from ARPA 18. Motion was passed with all in favor unanimously.

2. Reallocation ARPA funding 40K to the Town Buildings.

Motion was made by Theresa Morse and seconded by Joseph Shank to reallocate \$40k in ARPA funds to Town Building Maintenance/Repair Evaluation from ARPA 18 - Other ARPA Related Expenses. Motion was passed with all in favor unanimously. The Lead paint was encapsulated.

Chaz Sexton-Diranian would like to get an expert in looking at the Town Buildings. R. Eric Slagle will put together a scope of services and get some quotes.

Both have been approved by the Consultant for ARPA funding.

- Conservation Hearing on 5/10 re: NOI for 158 Fitchburg Rd
Chaz Sexton-Diranian read it into record.

Tuesday, May 16, 6 pm.

Motion was made by Theresa Morse and seconded by Joseph Shank to review and sign payroll and bills payable warrants out of session. Motion was passed with all in favor unanimously.

Recess at 6:32PM until Moderator arrived.

Recording of meeting found

at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r0YHplLnJBM&list=PLQpCwUSpXeCa-inxdzK0jQMgEx3wCFBhE&index=2>

Minutes submitted by Sabrina Moore on 06/08/2023.

