

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2019

Town Hall

Chairman Stephen A. Matellian; Selectman Brett A. Simas; Selectman
Maureen Dwinnell, Town Manager, Derek S. Brindisi; Executive
Assistant, Sandra Hakala

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:32 pm Executive Session under MGL c. 214, S. 1B and MGL c. 4, S. 7, Clause 26c to discuss financial assistance to a resident in need.

Chairman Matellian reopened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. lead the pledge of allegiance and reviewed the agenda.

MINUTES

Motion #1: Motion made by Selectman Simas to approve the Regular Session Meeting minutes October 1, 2019.

Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous: Chairman Matellian.

INVITED GUESTS

Rep. Muradian

Representative Muradian updated the Board on the budget and various happenings at the State level. He also announced that he will be kicking off the annual coat drive "Bundle up in Blackstone" and will a drop off box to be located at town hall.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discuss and Execute STM Warrant

Motion #2: Motion made by Selectman Simas to reconsider Article 17.

Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Majority Action of the Board

Motion #3: Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to include Article 17 in the STM Warrant.

Second: Selectman Siumas, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

Appointment Open Space

Bill Taylor, Chair of the open space committee enthusiastically supports the appointment of Ms. Scott.

Motion #4: Motion made by Selectman Simas to appoint Christine Scott to the open space committee.

Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

43 Motion to Authorize the Town Manager to Execute Upton Ridge General Agreement Transfer

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45 **Motion #5:** Motion made by Selectman Simas to authorize the town manager to execute Upton
46 Ridge General Agreement transfer.

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48 Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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50 Accept Donation of Computer Monitors

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52 David Ross identified 52 computer monitors to be donated to the town through his employer.

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54 **Motion #6:** Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to accept the generous donation of 52
55 computer monitors to the town.

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57 Second: Selectman Simas, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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59 Motion to Declare Various Town Equipment Items Surplus for Auction

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61 **Motion #7:** Motion made by Selectman Simas to declare the lawn mower and truck surplus for
62 auction.

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64 Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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66 Motion to Approve PP&PM - Updated Definitions

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68 **Motion #8:** Motion made by Selectman Dwinnell to accept updated definitions as written.

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70 Second: Selectman Simas, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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72 Motion to Approve Plowing of Private Ways – Winter 2019/2020

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74 **Motion #9:** Motion made by Selectman Simas to support the recommendations of the DPW
75 Director and approve the plowing of private ways as submitted.

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77 Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous, Chairman Matellian.

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79 **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

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 - Thanked publicly Sgt Vass for her 34 years of service to the town and wished her well in
82 her retirement.
 - The Upton Police Department will receive \$232,150 from the Commonwealth of
83 Massachusetts State 911 Department to support their Regional 911 Public Safety
84 Answering Point (PSAP) for the Towns of Upton and Hopedale.
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87 **RECOGNITION**

89 Mr. Simas echoed the town managers well wishes and thanks to Sgt Vass' service to the town
90 and thanked the Cultural Councils for arranging the Air Force Jazz band's performance at Town
91 Hall.

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93 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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95 Ms. Kasilowski gave praise to the Historical Society's hat exhibit.

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97 Bill Taylor once again thanked Lisa Brochu and Seema Kenny for their work in organizing
98 Heritage Day last month.

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100 **ADJOURN MEETING**

101 ***Motion #10:*** At 7:56PM Selectman Simas made motion to adjourn.

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103 Second: Selectman Dwinnell, Unanimous: Chairman Matellian

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105 Respectfully submitted,

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107 Sandra Hakala
108 Executive Assistant