

Town of Ayer

*Ayer Board of Selectmen Meeting Highlights for September 11, 2018

- The Ayer BOS Meeting was called to order at 7pm. Selectman Livingston, Chair of the BOS asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of September 11, 2001.
- Ms. Margaret Busse of Acton and a candidate for State Senate appeared before the BOS under Public Input to introduce herself.
- The BOS voted (2-0) to appoint Mr. Mark Phillips to a vacancy on the Conservation Commission.
- The BOS voted (2-0) on recommendation of the Town Clerk to appoint Ms. Carolyn McCreary as an Election Registrar and to appoint Ms. Kathleen O'Connor as an Election Registrar. The BOS received a report from the Town Clerk regarding the official recount of the 3rd Congressional District Race with Ayer's recount taking place on September 17, 2018 at 9am in the Great Hall.
- The BOS voted (2-0) to approve the Election Warrant calling for a Special Election on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 8am to 4pm in the Great Hall of the Ayer Town Hall for the ASRSD High School Field Project and Debt Exclusion.
- The BOS voted (2-0) to grant a sewer abatement request in the amount of \$560.66 to 16 Gardner Lane.
- The BOS voted (2-0) to approve a one year contract amendment in the amount of \$400,000 with PJ Albert as a Chapter 90 Contractor. The BOS discussed the West Main Street Bridge Replacement Project construction options with the DPW Superintendent. The DPW Superintendent made a brief report on his proposed Street Opening and Driveway/Access way Bylaw Amendment for the Fall Town Meeting. The BOS asked for an update on the Town's PFAS Water project.
- (Selectman Hillman joined the meeting at 7:40pm having attended the Planning Board Meeting regarding the Global Montello Project Sidewalk issue(s) prior to the BOS Meeting.)
- MART provided an update to the BOS on the Ayer Commuter Rail Parking and Access Improvement Project. MART presented a proposed schedule to re-bid the project and the BOS discussed its ongoing frustrations with MART, the MBTA, and the lack of progress on the project. Additionally, the BOS expressed great concern regarding the completion of the Depot Square portion of the project and the need for a quality project.
- The BOS received a report from the Town Manager. The BOS voted (3-0) to reappoint the Town Manager as the Town's ADA Coordinator. The BOS voted (3-0) on recommendation of the Town Manager to approve the Town of Ayer's ADA Grievance Procedure. The Town Manager provided an update on the development of the Special Fall Town Meeting Warrant.

- Selectman Houde provided an update on the Executive Bi-Board meeting. Selectman Hillman provided an updated on the Planning Board meeting and the sidewalk issue with Global Montello. Selectman Houde discussed with the BOS the Transfer Station Survey which the BOS agreed should proceed with being issued.
- Under New Business/Selectmen's Questions the BOS discussed the August 7, 2018 ASRSD Field Meeting; Homeless/Loitering Downtown; the Tax States of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church; and next steps regarding the Form Based Code for Park Street.
- The BOS voted (3-0) to approve the June 29, 2017 meeting minutes and voted (3-0) to approve the August 14, 2018 meeting minutes.
- The BOS voted (3-0) by roll call vote in Open Session to enter Executive Session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21A, Exemption 3 (Litigation Strategy) and to adjourn for the evening at the conclusion of the Executive Session.
- <u>The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BOS will be on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 7pm at the Ayer Town Hall.</u>
- *(Note: The BOS Meeting Highlights are for public informational purposes only and do not constitute an official record of the BOS nor do they constitute the official meeting minutes.)