

**Select Board Meeting
March 7, 2022 – 7:00 PM
Sanford Hall
155 Village Street**

Present: Maryjane White, Chair; Dennis Crowley, Vice-Chair; Frank Rossi, Clerk; John Foresto, Member; Glenn Trindade, Member.

Staff Present: Michael Boynton, Town Manager; Allison Potter, Assistant Town Manager; Jeff Lynch, Fire Chief; Chris Stygles, Acting Fire Lieutenant; Stephanie Carlisle, Compliance Coordinator; Barbara Saint Andre, Community and Economic Development Director; Sean Harrington, Department of Public Works (DPW) Deputy Director; Sandra Johnston, Communications Director.

Other Participants: Todd Alessandri, Finance Committee Chair; IDEA Committee: Dan Kerls, Chair; Brian Sharkey, member; Karen Nowicki, Capital Improvement Planning Committee.

At 7:00 PM, Ms. White called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition: Olympian Zack Digregorio

There were no materials for the Board to review.

Ms. White stated how proud the Board is of Mr. Digregorio and his accomplishments. Mr. Digregorio stated it was an amazing experience and thanked his family and the Town for their support including his welcome home. Mr. Crowley asked how he came into this. Mr. Digregorio stated it began in 2010 with a tryout in Carlisle, MA when he was nine years old like the one that was recently held in Medway. He noted that is how 90% of the luge athletes are recruited. You can then be invited for a weekend in Lake Placid. After that, there are four stages of tryouts over the course of a year. Then you can get named to the development team for one year, the candidate team for one year, and finally to the Olympic team. Ms. White asked if he plans to continue to compete. Mr. Digregorio confirmed. Mr. Crowley asked how he is supported financially. Mr. Digregorio stated they are provided with housing, food, and a stipend, but he is doing this for the love of the sport. Mr. Trindade then read the proclamation the Select Board presented to Mr. Digregorio. Mr. Crowley asked about his most memorable experience. Mr. Digregorio stated the walk into the Olympic stadium.

Ms. White stated the Select Board received many letters in support of painting the utility boxes, as well as Indigenous People's Day, and she appreciated all the responses. She noted that there was a picture sent around and it was said that the Select Board did not vote for this due to the potential artist's political opinion. She stated that was not the case. She noted that at each Select Board meeting there is an opportunity for public comment. She stated she will not go on Facebook and look at those comments. She shared that a couple of women spoke to each Select Board member about a proposed project and that she appreciates that approach. Mr. Crowley stated he had the same issues as Ms. White and that in his sixteen years as a Select Board member, has never been in this situation noting the Select Board would not make a decision based on someone's political stance.

Public Comments:

Charlie Myers stated he did not see Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on the agenda but would like to see the Select Board, regardless of the status of the Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB), apply for intervenor status as soon as possible, as that puts the Board in the position to ask questions. He noted in looking at the submitted documents, the applicant proposed two additional locations and they could get from one to three BESS locations in Medway. He reported a multimewatts scale BESS has been proposed in Carver and Carver has asked if the EFSB has jurisdiction. The EFSB has made no determination. He noted Medway is four months behind the Carver process. The Medway applicant changed from Chinese two tier to Tesla one tier megapack batteries. Mr. Myers noted they jam them in the site, have shortened the distances to the property line down to fifteen feet, and have repositioned the detention pond from outside the river protection zone to inside the river protection zone. If there is a fire and a defensive fire spray is put on that site, all that would go into a detention pond that is inside the river protection zone and partially inside the wetlands setback area. The Select Board should ask the EFSB to hold a public hearing in Medway. He provided Mr. Boynton with a copy of his early reviews on the site locations. He pointed out that he had talked about the need for a UL 9540A certificate from Tesla noting that the Carver project has not been able to obtain that yet. He stated he is not sure if these Tesla batteries will pass this testing. Mr. Boynton stated there is a zoom meeting scheduled with Special Counsel for tomorrow morning, that this was filed just one week ago, and the intention is for Medway to file for intervenor status. He stated we know there are issues with the site and that we need to intervene to protect that site. There is no Host Community Agreement (HCA) in place nor an agreed upon Payment In Lieu Of Taxes for this site. There is also another company looking at Medway. It is not a function of whether we will be able to keep them out as we are at a junction spot where so many sections of the northeast grid come together making the west Medway area an attractive location for these. The legal question is can the EFSB grant intervenor status if they have not taken over or established jurisdiction. Mr. Myers noted that in Carver, the EFSB is acting as if it does have jurisdiction. He noted that locating these under the powerline is an issue as, if it snaps, would damage the entire property, and cause a major incident. He stated the need to have the right mechanisms in place to go through the review process. Mr. Boynton stated he is not sure if all of the pieces are in place for the review and we need to decide who should be looking at the pieces of this. The reason Medway Grid LLC went to the EFSB is because of the zoning issues and they need to have this up and running in 2024. The difference between this and Exelon is Exelon had approved zoning. We did not file with the EFSB, Medway Grid LLC went to the EFSB. The expectation is that we will take the necessary steps to protect the Town. Mr. Crowley asked why they went from the Chinese to the Tesla megapack. Mr. Myers believes it was a safety issue. Mr. Boynton stated we have reached out to Glen Walker from Sansoucy who was put on hold but has been put back on active status to determine the value.

Sue Rorke of 34 Ellis Street stated she wanted to speak on two issues, one being the indigenous peoples celebration committee noting she did not see that there was an indigenous person included in the committee constitution to advise the committee. She also stated her preference for the October date. She stated that she found the discussion about the electric box disappointing and was not happy that the Select Board voted against this based on not liking the actual artwork. Mr. Crowley stated that the Select Board fully expects that the Cultural Council will meet again and come back before the Select Board to represent this project. Mr. Trindade stated he spoke with members of Cultural Council who are reworking their proposal and have added an additional proposal for the wall at Choate Park.

Crystal Buckley of 48 Highland Street wanted to respond to Ms. White's comment about never seeing the image sent, noting that it was included as part of a public records request of the e-mails that were sent to the Select Board. She feels that many people were not concerned that the Select Board made a decision based on that image but more so that several members of the public were upset about that image and that was what was potentially influencing their draw to come in and protest the issue. She

also stated there may have been some manipulation intended from this group to create other issues that did not exist. She stated Facebook does exist and influences many people and there were many people who commented and corroborated the fact that their personal objection to the artwork was entirely political. Her understanding was that most of the people that had strong feelings about that decision were not suggesting that the Board made the decision based on that particular image.

Mike Regan of 10 Lovering Street thanked the Select Board for the thoughtful deliberation around the painting of the electrical box, for considering everyone's viewpoint in the community, and for taking an unbiased view. He hopes that the Select Board continues to move forward with that kind of deliberation. Mr. Crowley stated that since that meeting, he has spent a lot of time talking to residents about this noting that we need to take the majority of the residents' opinion in mind and would support the painting of the electrical box. Mr. Rossi reported he did not know about the painting of the electrical box until a few days before the meeting and did not have enough information and wanted a better plan.

Approval of Minutes: February 22, 2022

The Board reviewed the draft minutes of February 22, 2022.

Mr. Trindade moved that the Board approve the minutes of February 22, 2022. Mr. Foresto seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Update: Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Advisory Committee

The Board reviewed PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Kerls stated when the committee first formed, they spent a lot of time looking at their charter as to what they should and should not be focused on. He reviewed the specifics of their charter. April of 2021 was their first remote meeting where they planned monthly meetings and elected a Chair. Subsequent meetings through November determined a common language around diversity, equity, and inclusion noting that they did not want it to be complicated. In December, they launched a community feedback form on the Town website, held focus groups. He listed all of the groups that were identified. These focus groups were an open discussion where they were asked to talk about the greatest challenge and opportunity for each topic of diversity, equity, and inclusion. They are now putting together all the data. In April, they plan on having a community forum. Mr. Sharkey expounded on their data gathering efforts of including focus groups from various organizations noting they plan a public forum to report out high level findings of the focus groups, as well as implementing a community survey. They plan on reporting to the Select Board this fall. Mr. Kerls stated they also plan to have a second community forum. The tentative date of the public forum is April 11th at the Thayer Homestead. Mr. Crowley asked when the survey will come out. Mr. Sharkey stated the ideal launching will also be on April 11th and they plan to send it out via the Town Facebook and other Town communications channels. Mr. Crowley restated his issue with anonymous responders as anyone can put anything in. Mr. Kerls stated they will be looking more at trends than specific responses. The Select Board requested to review the survey before it is released. Ms. Johnston asked for a specific contact to work with her to assist in getting the information out. Mr. Kerls volunteered to be her contact. Mr. Crowley asked if a survey goes out, is it under public records request law. Mr. Boynton confirmed noting there are fewer exceptions of what can be excluded. Mr. Crowley asked how many school members and members of town administration took part in the focus groups. Mr. Kerls stated three from the School Committee and three high schoolers. Mr. Crowley encouraged those listening to attend the planned public forum.

Discussion/Vote: Proposed Native American & Indigenous Peoples National Heritage Commemoration Day Steering Committee Charge and Composition

The Board reviewed the proposed charge and composition for the committee.

Mr. Boynton stated he tried to encompass the committee make up the Board was looking for noting the charge is straight forward. Ms. White asked about the Historical Committee reference noting it should be Historical Commission. Mr. Trindade noted that this could be one of the committee members or a representative designated by that committee. Ms. White read the list of the proposed constitution of the committee.

Mr. Crowley moved that the Board vote to create the Native American & Indigenous Peoples National Heritage Commemoration Day Steering Committee per the terms of the Committee Mission Statement, Committee Charge, and Committee Composition plan dated March 7, 2022. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Mr. Trindade asked about funding for the committee. Mr. Foresto stated they would not have funds if they are not provided funding in the spring Town Meeting warrant. He suggested taking some of the funding from Medway Day and moving it here via a separate warrant article. Mr. Alessandri agreed. There was further discussion on where to actually put the funding. Mr. Boynton recommended a separate warrant article.

Presentation: Capital Budget Recommendations - Capital Improvement Planning Committee (CIPC)

The Board reviewed the proposed capital expenditures spreadsheet.

Mr. Boynton gave a shout out to Lenny Mitchell and his efforts on CIPC and the Facility Committee as he had to step down. Ms. Nowicki explained the process that CIPC follows to determine the content of these recommendations. She noted they were mostly all on the same page with their rankings. Mr. Boynton prepared these as of now as a placeholder on the warrant noting there are a couple of different articles including: (1) the capital improvement article, which is funded by free cash, (2) one for \$40,000 for a generator at the Village Street well site, and (3) one for a storm water compliance unit that is a split funding with \$150,000 from free cash and \$181,000 from the sewer enterprise account at a total cost of \$331,000. Mr. Rossi asked what specific items were included in infrastructure and equipment. Ms. Nowicki stated it is related to Information Technology including devices, routers, etc. on the network side.

Mr. Foresto moved that the Board approve the capital budget recommendations as presented. Mr. Trindade seconded. Mr. Crowley asked if there are any other items below the FY23 list that we could bond in order to fund them in FY23. Mr. Boynton stated there were no other critical items. Mr. Boynton explained what happens with the items that the departments asked for but were not funded. **VOTE: 5-0-0.**

Mr. Crowley asked Ms. Nowicki to explain the efforts required of a CIPC member. Ms. Nowicki stated they usually begin meeting in the fall, meet with departments at their facility, meet approximately two times per month to weekly in the beginning as they meet with departments. They do not meet in the summer. Mr. Crowley requested that the items that belong to the school and those items related to the facility study be identified and provided to the Board. Mr. Boynton stated none are related to the facility study.

Authorization to Expend Grant Funds:

- **Fiscal Year (FY)22 Senior Awareness of Fire Education - \$2,855**
- **Fiscal Year (FY)22 Student Awareness of Fire Education - \$4,575**
- **Green Communities Competitive Grant - \$99,094**

The Board reviewed the (1) Notice of Grant award forms, and (2) grant award notification letters, and (3) memo from Stephanie Carlisle.

Mr. Foresto moved that the Board authorize the expenditure of the FY22 Senior and Student Awareness of Fire Education grants as presented. Mr. Trindade seconded. Mr. Boynton complimented Chief Lynch and Acting Lieutenant Stygles on their efforts. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Mr. Foresto moved that the Board authorize the expenditure of the Green Communities Competitive grant as presented and authorize the Town Manager to execute the contract with the Department of Energy Resources. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Mr. Foresto stated we have received this grant every year for four years based on Ms. Carlisle's efforts. Mr. Boynton noted there are over 200 communities now as part of the green community program, so it is impressive that we continue to receive this grant.

Approval: Contract with Charles River Watershed Association (CRWA) for Stormwater Study and Design Plans at the High School and Middle School – Not to Exceed \$35,769

The Board reviewed the (1) memo from Stephanie Carlisle, (2) grant award letter, (3) notice to proceed, and (4) contract.

Ms. Carlisle stated the grant was received earlier this year and this is the contract with CRWA as they will be the liaison between the Town and the consultant.

Mr. Rossi moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the contract with the Charles River Watershed Association in an amount not to exceed \$35,769 as presented. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Approval: Contract with University of Massachusetts Amherst Donahue Institute for Business Resource Consulting Services – Not to Exceed \$32,000

The Board reviewed the (1) memo from Barbara Saint Andre, (2) bid results, and (3) contract.

Ms. Saint Andre stated this is one of the One Stop grants that we were awarded and will provide something similar to the Business to Business yellow book which is for businesses that help other businesses in town. The Request for Quotes (RFQ) was sent to eleven vendors with only one response received. The \$32,000 is for the consultant as our existing web vendor will implement the webpage for a small fee.

Mr. Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the contract with the University of Massachusetts Amherst Donahue Institute in an amount not to exceed \$32,000 as presented. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Mr. Crowley stated there is no cost to the Town. Mr. Trindade commended Ms. Saint Andre on her efforts. Mr. Foresto commended the team on obtaining this grant funding.

Vote: Intent to Lay Out Newton Lane as a Public Way and Refer to Planning and Economic Development Board for Report and Recommendation

The Board reviewed the road plan.

Ms. Saint Andre stated we have been trying to catch up on old subdivisions noting this is a 2004 subdivision. There are punch list items that should be completed in time for Town Meeting. This is the first step in the street acceptance process.

Mr. Rossi moved that the Board express its intent to lay out as a public way Newton Lane in its entirety from its intersection with Nobscot Road to its end, and to refer this matter to the Planning and Economic Development Board for a report and recommendation. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Mr. Crowley asked why this took so long. Ms. Saint Andre stated it was due to some punch list items that needed to be completed. Mr. Crowley asked who was paying for the punch list items. Ms. Saint Andre stated the developer.

Approval: Contract with Truax Corporation for Catch Basin Cleaning and Sewer Jetting and Cleaning – Not to Exceed \$100,000 per year

The Board reviewed the (1) memo from Pete Pelletier, (2) bid results, and (3) contract.

Mr. Trindade moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the contract with Truax Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 per year as presented. Mr. Rossi seconded. Mr. Trindade said this is the same contractor we have had for years. Ms. White asked if this is done yearly. Mr. Trindade confirmed. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Approval: Contract with Lorusso Corporation for Highway Materials and Services – Not to Exceed \$150,000 per year

The Board reviewed the (1) memo from Pete Pelletier, (2) bid results, and (3) contract.

Mr. Boynton noted that Lorusso was the lowest bid on all items, and they are also located closest to Town.

Mr. Trindade moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the contract with Lorusso Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 per year as presented. Mr. Foresto seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Discussion: May 9, 2022, Special and Annual Town Meeting Warrants (Excluding Planning Board and Zoning Articles)

The Board reviewed the May 9, 2022, Special and Annual Town Meeting warrants.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

ARTICLE 1: (Free Cash Transfer: Snow and Ice Deficit)

Mr. Boynton stated this is to address the snow and ice deficit noting we are currently at \$100,000.

ARTICLE 2: (Prior Year Bills)

Mr. Boynton stated this is for prior year bills noting we do not have any yet.

ARTICLE 3: (Free Cash Transfer – Fund Hazard Mitigation Plan Update)

Mr. Boynton stated this is a \$21,000 free cash expense to update this plan that we must do according to the state. Mr. Crowley asked which year of free cash this came from. Mr. Boynton stated from the \$100,000 free cash that was set aside this year.

ARTICLE 4: (Free Cash Transfer to General Stabilization)

Mr. Boynton stated this is \$200,000 transfer of free cash that was set aside to go to the general stabilization fund.

ARTICLE 5: (Authorize Home Rule Petition to Eliminate Sub-Precinct 1A)

Mr. Boynton stated this is a place holder noting that Representative Roy is trying to get the Governor to submit a bill on our behalf to try and get this corrected. House Counsel stated this cannot be a Select Board vote and must be a vote at Town Meeting.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

ARTICLE 1: (Debt Stabilization Fund Transfer)

Mr. Boynton stated this is \$113,000 out of the community development fund from Exelon.

ARTICLE 2: (Transfer from Ambulance Receipts to General Fund)

Mr. Boynton stated this is a \$700,000 transfer from the ambulance receipts that goes to the general fund operating budget.

ARTICLE 3: (Appropriation: FY23 Operating Budget)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the general fund operating budget that the Board just reviewed on Saturday and FinCom will discuss this Wednesday.

ARTICLE 4: (Appropriation: FY23 Water Enterprise Fund)

Mr. Boynton stated these numbers will adjust based on the actual borrowing amount for the water project noting this is an estimate for Town Meeting and will need to be adjusted based on final expenses post Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 5: (Appropriation: FY23 Sewer Enterprise Fund)

Mr. Boynton stated we are good with these numbers. Mr. Crowley noted that he always has this discussion about the indirect cost and directed the Board to look at the expenses and the direct cost of salaries of \$278,000 and indirect costs of \$152,000 which is almost 60% of salaries and argued that these are too high.

ARTICLE 6: (Appropriation: FY23 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund)

Mr. Boynton stated we are using retained earnings, adjusting for the creation of a new parks position, and over the next couple of years will gradually transfer this cost back to general fund expenses.

ARTICLE 7: (Free Cash Appropriation: Capital and Other Items)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the free cash capital program that was just approved by the Board.

ARTICLE 8: (Raise & Appropriate: Roads & Sidewalks)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the road and sidewalk plan where the Board has continued to commit \$800,000 from Exelon funding in addition to the \$750,000 up above and also in addition to the \$400,000 of Chapter 90 state funds. We will do just under \$2million in road work this year.

ARTICLE 9: (Free Cash and Water Retained Earnings Transfer: Stormwater Compliance)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the stormwater compliance and street debris collection unit that has a special device vacuum system to comply with Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) requirements. The funding is \$150,000 from free cash and \$181,000 from sewer enterprise. Mr. Foresto noted that it takes phosphorus off the road before it hits the Charles River.

ARTICLE 10: (Water Retained Earnings Transfer: Purchase Generator)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the \$40,000 for the Village Street well generator.

ARTICLE 11: (Water Retained Earnings Transfer – New Centralized Water Treatment Plant)

Mr. Boynton stated this will come off the warrant as the Board decided on Saturday to keep the \$570,000 in retained earnings.

ARTICLE 12: (Borrowing – New Centralized Water Treatment Plant)

Mr. Boynton stated this is the water treatment facility. At the moment we have projected a \$15.5 million cost, which is decreased due to the projected \$4 million usage of ARPA funds. He stated he anticipates there will be discussion about this in the future due to the change in the final federal rule of what can be used under the concept of revenue replacement. There could be other things that these funds can be used for based on changes to what was originally allowable. The initial rule for use of ARPA funds was for water, sewer, broadband projects, premium pay, and for revenue replacement that had very limited uses and required significant justification. They have since loosened that up. He stated his argument for using ARPA funds is that we were looking at a cost for this project of \$13 million six years ago and are now at a \$17 million project plus the cost of Owner's Project Management (OPM) and design. We have the ability to offset that cost and he knows there will be debate including with FinCom but noted that 100% of residents benefit from clean water, whether connected to the water system or not. If we redirect any of the \$4 million ARPA funds, then the borrowing cost goes up. Mr. Foresto asked, other than Town Meeting, who has the power to adjust this. Mr. Boynton stated Town Meeting, but the Select Board makes the determination on the utilization of the funds. Mr. Rossi asked when the funds will be available. Mr. Boynton stated that there will be a \$1.4 million direct ARPA payment to the Town and \$2.6 million via county funds, which will not be available until mid-summer or fall and they only release the county funds one half at a time. The Board requested clarification of who has authorization to direct ARPA funds. Mr. Boynton stated the bids will be coming in at the end of April so we will go into Town Meeting with hard numbers. Mr. Crowley asked why we do not combine all of the three water projects into one warrant article so if one of the projects has an overrun, we would not need to go back to Town Meeting. Mr. Boynton stated he has no problem with that, and that he and Ms. Potter will discuss this with Ms. Pratt and obtain an answer from bond counsel. Mr. Boynton asked if anyone had any other questions about the three water articles, 12-14. There were none.

ARTICLE 13: (Borrowing – Oakland Well Water Line to New Centralized Water Treatment Plant)

ARTICLE 14: (Borrowing – Redundant Wells at Oakland and Village Streets)

ARTICLE 15: (Appropriation: General Stabilization)

Mr. Boynton stated this is what we try to do every year from general taxation to general stabilization.

ARTICLE 16: (Appropriation: OPEB Trust)
Mr. Boynton stated this is the same yearly.

ARTICLE 17: (Appropriation: Medway Day)
Mr. Boynton stated the \$15,000 will be separated out with \$10,000 for Medway Day and the addition of an article for \$5,000 to fund the Native American and Indigenous Peoples Committee.

ARTICLE 18: (Appropriation: Community Preservation Committee)
Mr. Boynton stated this is the annual Community Preservation Act (CPA) allocation. Mr. Crowley stated that \$1.5 million is anticipated to come in next year, which is higher than we anticipated.

ARTICLE 19: (Revolving Funds –Authorize FY23 Spending Limits)
Mr. Boynton stated there are no changes on revolving funds.

ARTICLE 20: (Personal Property Value Subject to Taxation)
Mr. Boynton stated the change in Chapter 59, Section 5, allows the assessors to increase properties of low value from \$2,500 to \$5,000 and clears up a nightmare on uncollectable properties.

ARTICLE 21: (Amend General Bylaws – potentially all and definitely historical properties)
Mr. Boynton stated the committee is working very hard noting we may need to delay this to the fall based on the direction of Town Counsel and the complexity of the changes. The Board agreed to move this to the Fall Town Meeting.

Mr. Boynton stated Articles 22 to 24 require the Select Board to vote to refer them to the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 22: (Amend Zoning Bylaws – Solar Electric Installations)

ARTICLE 23: (Amend Zoning Bylaws – BESS Placeholder)

ARTICLE 24: (Amend Zoning Bylaws – Housekeeping)

ARTICLE 25: (Street Acceptance – Hartney Acres)
Mr. Boynton stated this was voted to refer to the Planning Board earlier in this meeting.

Vote: Refer May 9, 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Planning and Economic Development Board (PEDB) and Zoning Articles to the PEDB for Review and Recommendation
There were no materials for the Board to review.

Mr. Rossi moved that the Board refer the May 9, 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Planning and Economic Development Board (PEDB) and Zoning Articles to the Planning and Economic Development Board for review and recommendation. Mr. Trindade seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Approval: Inter-municipal Agreement (IMA) with Town of Holliston for Emergency Medical Dispatch Services
The Board reviewed the IMA.

Mr. Boynton stated this has been set and Holliston has agreed and signed off. This is a 90 day process, and the State 911 will be providing Medway \$5,000 of addition funds to our 911 grant for assisting Holliston.

Mr. Trindade moved that the Board vote to approve the inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Holliston as presented. Mr. Rossi seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Action Items from Previous Meeting

The Board reviewed the action items dated February 22, 2022.

Unaccounted for water loss status report: This will be addressed at the April 4th Select Board meeting.

Report to BOS usage of Electronic Vehicle Charging Station: This will be addressed at the April 4th Select Board meeting.

Revisit EV Charging Stations post Install of 2 new to determine any need for rate adjustments: This will be addressed at the April 4th Select Board meeting.

Town Manager's Report

There were no items for the Board to review.

Snow & Ice Update: Mr. Boynton stated we are currently \$100,000 over budget.

Antique Fire Truck – Status Update: Mr. Boynton stated this was one of the more contentious items at Fall Town Meeting. We had a low bid and were set to award the contract and the vendor wanted progress payments. Mr. Boynton wanted to inspect the progress at the point of each progress payment as well as having a performance bond, and they withdrew their bid. He has had conversations with a number of vendors, but none are in antique restoration. The truck has been moved to the old vehicle maintenance garage and our mechanics are looking to see if they can make the engine work again. Local vendors will not spend the time on this as all their work is on in-service equipment. There are a number of vendors that can do body restoration, but he tasked our vehicle maintenance team, with no specified deadline, to use existing tools and labor to try to get the engine to start. If they cannot accomplish this, then he will ask Board to sponsor a Fall Town Meeting article to rescind the article. Mr. Crowley asked if it is just the motor. Mr. Boynton stated they are looking at the motor, drive shaft, and rear end.

Town Manager Out of Office: Mr. Boynton stated he will be out of the office as follows:

- Friday, March 11 – Blackstone Fire Chief Assessment
- Wednesday, March 16 – Norfolk County Managers – Wrentham
- Friday, March 18 – MMA Meeting – Wrentham

NEXT Select Board Meeting –Monday, March 21, 2022 regularly scheduled meeting.

Select Board's Reports

There were no items for the Board to review.

Mr. Crowley asked the residents who sat for the entire meeting if they wanted to address the Board. Joanne Phillips of 63 West Street, a seven year Medway resident, stated she appreciates Ms. White's comments, has been a member of the State Indigenous Committee, and went to the state event noting

it was a profound experience. They have done a fantastic job of getting indigenous people to participate in the day. She noted people have been working on this in the community for a long time.

Shanley Heller of 4 Rainbow Drive has lived in Medway since 1993 and taught at the high school since 1998. She noted her husband was a past member of FinCom. She said she has been disturbed by some of the discussions on both sides of late and someone had challenged residents to participate more in the School Committee and Select Board meetings, so she attended this evening.

Mr. Crowley gave a shout out to Andrew Rozak who came in first in the Central Mass Conference Ski League and Emily Landry who placed eighteenth. They are both going to the upcoming state alpine ski championship. He stated the boys' basketball team lost in Watertown and the girls are playing tomorrow at 5pm in Medway against Dedham. He stated that Jack Carter scored with two minutes to go in the hockey game to win the game noting there was no score up to that point in the game. They play Wednesday night in Franklin. He then stated that he gets the *Dedham Times* newspaper, and they post the minutes of the Select Board meeting in the paper. He was thinking of posting ours in the Medway/Millis paper. He requested that Mr. Boynton poll the Select Board members to determine if we should move forward with this. It was noted that this paper is only monthly so the minutes may not be timely.

Mr. Rossi stated the hockey game was very exciting and Medway dominated the game. He said they are playing again Wednesday night against Medfield at 8pm and they are a Medway rival. Mr. Crowley reminded all that you must purchase tickets ahead of time and there is no senior discount.

At 8:53PM, Mr. Trindade moved that the Board enter Executive Session for Reason Exemption 6: To consider the purchase, exchange, taking, lease, or value of real property if such discussion may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body and the Chair so declares [Main St, Central Business District] with no intent to return to open session. Mr. Crowley seconded. It was voted by roll call: Crowley aye, Foresto aye, Rossi aye, Trindade aye, White aye. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Langley
Executive Assistant
Town Manager's Office