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The Meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, beginning at 6:22 p.m. in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Hall.

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Members Present: Chairman Derek DeBarge, Mr. Goncalves, Mr. Silva, Mrs. Fernandes and Mr. Rosenblum.

First Order of Business: The Pledge of Allegiance

**Visitations:**

6:00 p.m. - Evan Warner/STV-OPM – Harris Brook Elementary School/Contract Awards; Chris Leblanc/MVG – Design Firm; and Dr. Todd Gazda, School Superintendent

Mr. Gazda: Last week was the opening of the general contract bids for the building project for the new school. We will soon have an idea of who the contractor will be and the anticipated costs. I'm going to turn it over to Evan Warner to speak to the specifics.

Mr. Warner: We pre-qualified seven general contractors on the project. We received bids from five of those contractors as listed on the handout. We had already received statements of qualifications and prequalified them. Our range of bids for the school itself was \$40.3 million and \$44.6 million. The averages were close to our 90% estimate of the price. Our low bidder was Fontaine Brothers, a local firm, with a base bid price for the school building of a little over \$40.3 million and alternate one which is the district office building at a little over \$2.6 million. Generally, relative to our budget and estimates, we are a little under \$4.8 million less than we expected to pay for our school and district office building. Fontaine Brothers has worked for Ludlow in the past. They did the Baird Middle School and they did the most recent addition to the high school project. Our architects, Mount Vernon Group, have worked with Fontaine Brothers before and STV-OPM has too. They are a good outfit. It is great they are the low bidder. I reviewed contractor files at Division of Capital Assessment Management and Maintenance (DCAMM). Everything was in order and I did not find anything that would change our recommendation to move forward with the award of contract to Fontaine Brothers.

Mr. Gazda: A couple of things that are important to remember about this are that the overall project cost is still budgeted at \$60 million and our current estimates are coming in at about \$4.5 million under what that anticipated cost was. The \$40 million price that you see is for the school itself so that does not include contingencies, soft costs, or fees. All of that was figured into that larger amount that was approved by Town meeting. With respect to the alternative price for district offices, we had initially projected that at about \$2.6 million but through the process of designing that building, it went up to right around \$3.2 million so that came in under what we had estimated. The important thing to remember is that it is still a much smaller building than our current central office. To save money and building costs, the new central office will not have a school committee room in it. Figuring, given the proximity to the new school, we would be able to utilize the library for school committee meetings thereby saving construction costs at central office. Given the nature of their positions, we are also looking to move four people currently located in central office out of the buildings. This further allows us to reduce space at our central office. Our current central office is about 18,000 square feet. Our new central office will be about 6,500 square feet.

Mr. Silva: How much of the 18,000 square feet is used?

Mr. Gazda: We use it all. Some of those offices are very large. That is part of the reason we were able to downsize. You kind of fill the space that you are in. There are no empty rooms in that building. Most rooms are sub-divided up into smaller offices. For instance, my room, the Superintendent's office is a large room and has a conference room in it and there are a couple of other large spaces. The 6,500 square feet will be size appropriate given our central office staff. It is not a lot of room to grow but I do not anticipate our central office staff growing.

Mr. DeBarge: Does anybody have any questions?

Mr. Silva: Mr. Gazda, when we first started this, we had projected \$60 million. What is the percentage of the State reimbursement?

Mr. Gazda: 58.57%.

Ms. Villano: 58.37% and then you get a certain percentage. We could be at 61% when all is said and done.

Mr. Silva: Do we have the actual cost number?

Mr. Gazda: We have a do not exceed number meaning the most that they will give us through the course of the project is around \$28.5 million.

Mr. Silva: Based on these numbers, like you said were \$4 million below.

Mr. Gazda: Yes, about \$4.8 million under what we estimated.

Mr. Silva: That's excellent. The talk out there is you are getting the school for this, you get it projected for this, it is going to go overboard by millions. That's the conception out there. This is what I want residents to realize and know that it is coming under budget which is good.

Mr. Gazda: Yes, substantially. Our goal is to never have that number go up. We were conservative in our estimates. They were not inflated but conservative to ensure that any numbers coming forward from the initial were only going to come in down. This \$4.8 million exceeded our expectations from what the overall bid was.

Mr. Silva: That is what I really wanted to emphasis. That is great. The actual cost to the Town based on the schools that we do have and possibly we might be able to move the schools and recoup some funds there also. There is still the conception out there that we are spending too much money which is ludicrous because we had estimates up to \$20 million dollars to refurbish the old schools, so looks good.

Mr. DeBarge: Anyone else?

Mr. Goncalves: You mentioned soft costs. Give me an idea of what those soft costs are.

Mr. Warner: Those have to do with your OPM fees as part of a MSBA project you are required to have an owners' project manager that looks after your overall interests. That goes for fees for your architect, engineers, site civil engineers, hazardous materials, some allowances for legal costs and contingencies. We have a soft cost contingency and a hard cost contingency; not only for construction but for other fees. The soft costs also include FF&E, furniture, desks, chairs and technology to outfit the school. The construction cost deals with the infrastructure, the wiring within the building, then you need computer servers to get that to work.

Mr. Gazda: Does that also include grounds? Or is that built into the construction costs?

Mr. Warner: Yes, the site costs are in the construction costs.

Mr. Goncalves: That's fields and everything else?

Mr. Warner: Yes, the construction project is a two phased project. We maintain the existing school in place. We build a new school once that is complete. We move folks over and then once the Chapin Street School is vacated, we will abate it, demolish and remove it. Then, we further develop the fields and parking at the upper portion of the site.

Mr. Goncalves: Is there any portion of this work that gives Ludlow businesses preferences anywhere as a preferred vendor or anything like this, is it allowable? Probably not?

Mr. Gazda: No because it is through MSBA and we must work within their perimeters.

Mr. Goncalves: I'm good. Thank you.

Mr. DeBarge: Ms. Fernandes.

Ms. Fernandes: When is the anticipated time of completion again so that the residents know?

Mr. Leblanc: Currently, it is the Fall of 2021 when the kids will occupy.

Ms. Fernandes: The technology, is it being considered a smart building?

Mr. Leblanc: We met with the technology director in the school department to get a feel of what they would like to see, wish list items, but typically our actual equipment will not be planned out until a year before to get the latest and greatest equipment such as chrome books, smart boards, etc. and then that will be put out to bid separately based on our budget. That equipment typically comes in during the summer before we open, gets put in place, software is loaded, training is done, and when school opens it is ready to go. We want to make sure we get the latest and greatest equipment at that time because technology changes quite rapidly.

Ms. Fernandes: Hopefully, there's no trade wars going on.

Mr. Gazda: We also want to make sure the infrastructures are robust enough to support the development of technology. This is a building that we want to serve the Town for the next 50 to 75 years. One of the things we are currently running into is the electrical infrastructure in our current buildings cannot support the use that we are putting into, so we are trying to project what it is going to look like 10, 15, 20 years from now so that the building will support the growth that we need.

Mr. Rosenblum: Just so the citizens of Ludlow understand, there's always been the question about air conditioning. Correct me if I'm wrong, but you are putting in an air displacement system which moves around the air and keeps it a constant temperature at 72 degrees and dehumidifies so it feels cooler?

Mr. Gazda: When we went to go visit the elementary school in Athol, that was brand new. MBG built that building. When you walked in the building and you thought it was air conditioned. It's going to be a comfortable atmosphere for our staff and students to learn in and it's something that is cost effective to build and maintain.

Mr. Leblanc: It's healthier and greener too. The school is going to qualify New England chips, a lead type certification, and air conditioning a school goes against that. We do have air conditioning in the administration area because they are there year around. We have it in some of the intense special education rooms and some of the larger areas such as the cafetorium and gym. They are larger spaces there for productions, assemblies, etc. Displacement just would not suffice in enough time. If you have an activity on the weekend you must ramp that up to get it cooled down. There's a lot of energy. This made more sense. We spoke to our engineers and those are the areas.

Mr. Rosenblum: Thank you.

Mr. Goncalves: The solar field that the Town is under contract with, was supplying a certain amount of electricity to cover the entire school system do we know?

Ms. Villano: No.

Mr. Goncalves: So, this doesn't really make a difference? Is this something we would be looking for?

Mr. Gazda: The building as we have it designed for construction does not have solar panels on the roof. That would have been an additional cost, but it is solar ready. All the conduits and piping and everything are run through the infrastructure so that once the building is built, we can reach out to solar companies and see if there is anybody who wants a big flat space to install some solar panels so we can then reap the benefits or ways we can explore to maximize the energy we can get in the savings but avoid the construction costs.

Mr. Goncalves: I think the State may be looking at something specific for municipalities like the Smart Program and I do not think that is a big hit right now for many people, especially the municipalities but if they ever came up with something, it would be great to get ready.

Mr. Gazda: We will be. The nice thing about that is you get someone else to pay for the construction and we avoid that cost and that is what we were looking to do.

Mr. Goncalves: Thank you.

Mr. DeBarge: Any other questions?

Mr. Silva: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I just have one. I know we spoke before relative to a maintenance program, because again I often hear the schools should be taken care of. These schools are just letting

them go to disarray and then they want a new school. The big talk as you know is the issue with the track. Why didn't they take care of it? That is the perception out there again. Is the school department coming up with a plan? Let's keep it a new school.

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Mr. Gazda: As part of the proposals we put together for MSBA, we had to submit a maintenance plan. Remember, MSBA is giving us \$28.5 million. They do not want to see that money wasted any more than the townspeople do. As part of what we had to do, we had to put together a proposed maintenance plan to ensure that we maintain these buildings in the manner of with which they need to be maintained. We've also been looking at things district wide. We went through a process to set up maintenance schedules for all our buildings projecting and spreading out costs, so we do not get hit in any one year. With foreseeable maintenance costs, we contracted with a program that did an asset study of all our buildings and gave us a proposed maintenance schedule. We have been building that into our current practice which will carry over into the new building once we get it up and running.

Mr. Silva: Is that a little different from past years?

Mr. Gazda: It is. It has been challenging because we have been funding general expenses level as a Town which makes it tough since costs keep rising. This is one of the challenges we've had with maintaining our buildings. But, yes you are correct.

Mr. DeBarge: Anyone else?

Mr. Goncalves: As the schools currently occupied become unoccupied, and there is a shift of moving people over, is there any money in here reimbursement wise from the State under this program to maybe get rid of some of the buildings that may be hot, clean hazardous waste, etc. that maybe we can incorporate this at the same time?

Mr. Warner: They are participating in the abatement. Most of the abatement and demolition of the Chapin Street School, because it is on our site, relative to Veterans Park School they are not. Their funds stop at our boundaries.

Mr. Goncalves: That's too bad.

Mr. DeBarge: Anyone else? Okay. As far as the motions needed to move this forward I would like to jump to the second one if one of you could explain the easement quickly to the Board members so we could get that moving and then we will get into both motions.

Mr. LeBlanc: Springfield Water and Sewer Commission controls the water in the Town of Ludlow. We have a water loop that runs through the building. We have a connection on Fuller Street and another connection on Chapin Street. From that loop we will feed the two buildings with both domestic water and fire sprinkler systems as well as the hydrants that come off that loop for fire protection. In speaking with Springfield Water and Sewer, as well as the Fire Chief who has expressed a desire that the Town does not want to maintain that. They do not want hot boxes on the curbs so that if they need to shut water down etc., there are costs associated to that which is not what they are in the business for. Springfield Water and Sewer will maintain that fire loop from street to street, but they need an easement because it is on Town property. That is what the vote is for. The contractor will be required once complete in 2021 to carry a one-year warranty period as typical with any construction. If anything goes wrong with it during that time the general contractor will service it. Once that warranty period is expired, with the approval of an easement, Springfield Water and Sewer will then go on and do the maintenance of that loop as a public water system not private. It's beneficial. It is something they would like to do and have suggested. It was one of the recommendations we put forth to the Building Committee.

Mr. DeBarge: This is a common thing?

Mr. LeBlanc: It is in some projects. If it is a private system, then the entity that owns the system would have to maintain it. In some towns that may go for some projects, but this was the right opportunity because its connecting to two streets. They thought it was easier for them to maintain.

Mr. Goncalves: It is important to ensure if there is an issue on one end, the other end can continue the water.

Mr. LeBlanc: Flushing, sanitizing, etc.

Mr. DeBarge: The language is right here in our agenda.

Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Ms. Fernandes to provide an easement to the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission for site utilities at the Chapin/Harris Brook Elementary School. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Ms. Fernandes to accept Bid Alternate #1 in the amount of \$2,618,000 for construction of the District Offices and award the Chapin/Harris Brook Elementary School Construction Contract to Fontaine Bros., Inc. of Springfield in the amount of \$42,923,929. Based on bid results received May 14, 2019, Fontaine was the lowest eligible General Bidder with a total contract value of \$42,923,929 for construction of the Chapin/Harris Brook Elementary School, District Offices, and associated site improvements. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Mr. DeBarge: Gentlemen, anything else?

Mr. Gazda: I know you also have an agenda item tonight for the final audit for the East Street School project. Mr. LaBlanc was not involved but Mr. Warner was the OPM for that project. The initial project was for the roof and boilers for the East Street Elementary School. This was also a MSBA project. It was an escalated repair which they allow for projects that are smaller than complete builds. It's to replace windows, heat, roof, and things like that. The projected cost submitted to MSBA were about \$2.2 million; of that there was a substantial amount \$778,000 that was not eligible for the reimbursement rate at 58.5. One of the challenges we experienced with the project was given the assessment for tax purposes of that building. The \$2.2 million exceeded the threshold, thereby triggering having to bring the building up into compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act. That work is not reimbursable by MSBA and that was \$627,000 of that \$778,000. The lion's share of the non-reimbursable expense came from having to bring that building up to ADA compliance. The total eligible for reimbursement was \$1,454,000. The reimbursement rate was the same as we are getting for the Chapin Street project of 58.37% which led for a total reimbursement for that project from the State of \$848,972.00. Of that, we have already received \$707,392.00 from the State. There is a remaining payment of \$141,580.00 that will be available upon approval of this final audit.

Mr. Silva: Do we need to approve the actual or is it for informational purposes?

Mr. Gazda: It's just for informational purposes. We do not need a vote. The Chairman will eventually need to sign.

Mr. Silva: We'll need a motion for the Chairman to sign?

Ms. Villano: Are we accepting the attached draft audit?

Mr. Gazda: Yes.

Ms. Villano: You would need a vote to accept the audit.

Mr. DeBarge: To read this as it is without the numbers and accept it?

Ms. Villano: You need to accept the second one.

Mr. Goncalves: Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that we accept the scheduled determinations of ineligible costs and findings contained in the report and acknowledgement that the total grand amount for the above referenced project is \$848,972.00. I further move that we acknowledge the MSBA is not responsible for any payment relative to the project in excess of the total grand amount as stated above and that the district in its own name or by the undersigned officials will not seek judicial review of any decision of the MSBA regarding the project, the MSBA's funding of the project, the MSBA's audit of the project, or the MSBA's determination of eligible costs, if any.

Mr. Silva: Do we need to further move to have the Chairman sign Ellie?

Ms. Villano: Sure.

Mr. Goncalves: And I further move that we allow the Chairman to sign all necessary documents regarding the audit. Seconded by Mr. Silva. Motion carries unanimously.

6:30 p.m. - Michelle S. Goncalves – Ludlow Cultural Council

Mr. DeBarge: You have an outstanding resume. Please open with a statement.

Ms. Goncalves: I am applying for one of the open positions on the Ludlow Cultural Council. It is a Council I have participated on in the past. I'm interested in getting more involved in the local community. I am a life-long Ludlow resident. I'd just like to be more involved and I think this would be a great way to start.

Mr. Silva: I just want to thank you for coming back. Obviously, you must have enjoyed it previously because you served on the Board. With your resume, it is not much we can say or question. You are probably more experienced than all of us. Thank you for applying and welcome.

Ms. Goncalves: Thank you.

Ms. Fernandes: My first involvement with the community here was being on the Ludlow Cultural Council. I hope that will open doors for you and maybe consider other positions in the future because this is very slighted one way. It would be nice to have some more differentiation here.

Ms. Goncalves: I understand.

Ms. Fernandes: A lot of males up here.

Mr. Goncalves: I don't take any offense. The voters have spoken.

Ms. Fernandes: There's no women running, so that's what I'm saying she should consider running.

Mr. Goncalves: Everybody's welcome.

Mr. Rosenblum: Again, I'd just like to reiterate, your resume speaks for itself and we appreciate you willing to take the time to help the Town. We appreciate you sharing your time. Thank you.

Mr. Goncalves: Just for the record, we are not related in any way even though we have the same last name. My office staff knows who you are. Nobody had anything but incredibly fantastic things to say about you. You can't do this much and not be fantastic. Thank you.

Ms. Goncalves: Thank you.

Mr. DeBarge: I take these to heart when people bring in their resumes. I do read every word of them. I am in absolute awe of your honors awards and service. I'm with Mr. Silva, I can't even comment on this. Welcome aboard. Thank you very much.

Mr. Silva moved to appoint Ms. Goncalves to the Ludlow Cultural Council seconded by Ms. Fernandes. Motion carries unanimously. Congratulations.

7:00 p.m. - Attorney Thomas Rooke (absent) and Michael Rodrigues, Europa, 782 Center Street – Pledge of License, Stock, Inventory

Mr. Silva excused himself due to a conflict.

Mr. Rodrigues states he is here for the pledge of license for Europa to Vanished Valley Brewery. The pledge guarantees that once the construction is completed, Europa will transfer the license to Vanished Valley Brewery.

Mr. Silva: Are all the taxes up to date?

Mr. Rodrigues: Yes.

Mr. DeBarge: What does Pledge of License, stock and inventory mean?

Mr. Rodrigues: Stock means all the liquor, beer and wine.

Ms. Fernandes, Mr. Silva and Mr. Rosenblum all agree Mr. Rodrigues has shown he is a responsible license holder and do not have any issues.

Ms. Fernandes moved and seconded by Mr. Rosenblum to approve Mr. Rodrigues of Europe the Pledge of the License to Vanished Valley Brewery, stock and inventory for purposes of the new construction on the premises. The Motion carries unanimously 4-0.

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**Correspondence:**

123. Director of Nurses, Cheryl Messer, Board of Health - requesting to open contract negotiations.
- Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Ms. Fernandes to open contract negotiations with the Board of Health Nurses. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
124. Joshua D. Schimmel, Executive Director, Springfield Water and Sewer Commission – providing the Board copies of the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission’s Annual Water Quality Report for Calendar Year 2018.
- Moved by Ms. Fernandes seconded by Mr. Silva to file item #124. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
125. John R. Mahar, Director of Government Affairs Charter Communications - informing the Board of the 2018 MA CTV Form 200 (Financial Balance Sheet) and the MA CTV Form 400 (Statement of Ownership).
- Moved by Ms. Fernandes seconded by Mr. Silva to file item #125. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
126. John R. Mahar, Director of Government Affairs, Charter Communications – informing the Board of a change in the channel line-up and programming information.
- Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Ms. Fernandes to file item #126. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
127. Peter J. Cavicchi, P.E., District 2 Highway Director, MassDOT (Highway Division) – informing the Board as part of the Massachusetts Bridge Inspection Program, of a recent Structures Inspection Field Report for the municipally-owned bridge at Piney Lane/Broad Brook.
- Moved by Ms. Fernandes seconded by Mr. Silva to file item #127. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
128. Tamia Buckingham, Director of Audit, Massachusetts School Building Authority – providing the Board a draft audit report to accept or not accept and an updated list of the required Final Audit Closeout Documentation for the East Street Elementary School project.
- Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Mr. Silva to accept the scheduled determinations of ineligible costs and findings contained in the report and acknowledgement that the total grand amount for the above referenced project is \$848,972.00; acknowledge the MSBA is not responsible for any payment relative to the project in excess of the total grand amount as stated above and that the district in its own name or by the undersigned officials will not seek judicial review of any decision of the MSBA regarding the project, the MSBA’s funding of the project, the MSBA’s audit of the project, or the MSBA’s determination of eligible costs if any; and allow the Chairman to sign all necessary documents regarding the audit. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
129. Board Reorganizations – Board of Assessors, Finance Committee
- Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Ms. Fernandes to file item #129. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
130. Jamie Gomez Diez, Community Engagement Division at the Office of Attorney General Maura Healey - informing the Board that their office is starting a new community engagement initiative, community presentations on Competitive Electric Supply to assist consumers.
- Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Ms. Fernandes to file item #130. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
131. Kerry Bogdan, Risk Analysis Branch Chief Mitigation Division FEMA Region 1 – informing the Board of a field survey task to commence in May 2019 through the Fall of 2019 in select communities within the Chicopee Watershed.
- Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Ms. Fernandes to file item #131. Vote 5-0 all in favor.
132. Denise Tomlinson, Safety Committee, informing the Board of her resignation effective June 30, 2019 as Secretary to the Safety Committee.

Moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Rosenblum to accept the resignation of Denise Tomlinson as Secretary to the Safety Committee and to send her a thank you letter for her service. Vote 5-0 all in favor. Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Ms. Fernandes to advertise the Secretary to the Safety Committee vacancy that will be created by the retirement of Denise Tomlinson. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

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**Unfinished Business:**

Board to approve and sign the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2019.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Mr. Silva to approve and sign the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2019 meeting that Mr. DeBarge, Mr. Silva, Mr. Rosenblum, Ms. Fernandes who arrived late, and myself were all present. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to approve and sign three copies of the collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Ludlow Police Supervisors.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Mr. Silva to table approving and signing the collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Ludlow Police Supervisors. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to approve and sign three copies of the Grants Administrator contract between the Town and Westmass Area Development Corp.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Ms. Fernandes to approve and sign three copies of the Grants Administrator contract between the Town and Westmass Area Development Corp. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to approve the award and sign three copies of the contract between the Town and ACD, Inc. for the OPM Services for the Radio Communications Upgrade project.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Ms. Fernandes to approve the award and sign three copies of the contract between the Town and ACD, Inc. for the OPM Services for the Radio Communications Upgrade project. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

**New Business:**

Board to approve and sign the Selectmen minutes of Monday, May 13, 2019.

Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Mr. Silva to approve and sign the Selectmen minutes of Monday, May 13, 2019 when the entire Board was present. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to approve and sign the Liquor License for Casa Pizzeria which was approved by the ABCC.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Ms. Fernandes to approve and sign the Liquor License for Casa Pizzeria which was approved by the ABCC. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to approve and sign the Disclosure By Special Municipal Employee of Financial Interest in a Municipal Contract for Timothy J. Fontaine.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum seconded by Mr. Goncalves to approve and sign the Disclosure By Special Municipal Employee of Financial Interest in a Municipal Contract for Timothy J. Fontaine. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board to review and comment on the proposed draft policies for the Reserve Fund and OPEB Fund.

Ms. Villano stated more internal proposed draft policies are being developed that we need to adopt in addition to the ones for the Reserve Fund and OPEB Fund. A total of 14 will be received. Moved by Mr. Goncalves seconded by Ms. Fernandes to table review and comments for a later date until more internal draft policies that need to be adopted are received and discussed with legal counsel and the Town Accountant, if necessary. Vote 5-0 all in favor.

Board perused Executive Session Minutes of April 16, 2019.



**Closing Comments:**

The Board welcomed Kimberly McKay as the new staff member to the Board of Selectmen department.

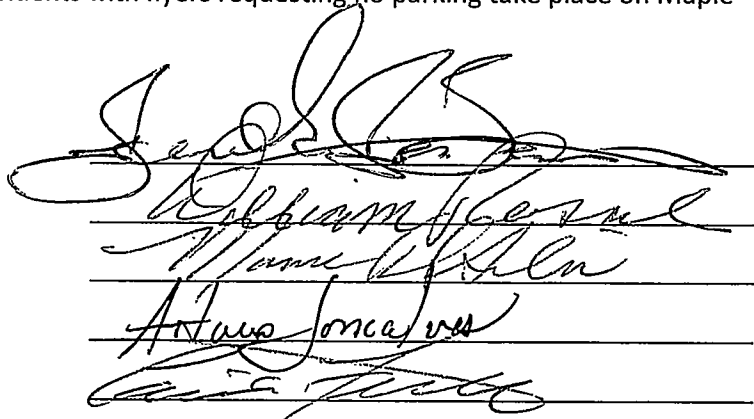
Mr. Silva encouraged the community to support the Memorial Day – Veteran’s Day Activities and Parade.

Mr. Goncalves also encouraged the community to support the Memorial Day – Veteran’s Day Activities and Parade.

Ms. Fernandes thanked the Parade committee and encouraged the community to support the Memorial Day – Veteran’s Day Activities and Parade.

Mr. Rosenblum encouraged the community to support the Memorial Day – Veteran’s Day Activities and Parade. He provided a recap of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Color Run where \$1,200.00 was raised for the Go Green Club at the Eleanor Paul Community Garden and the Lion’s Den Athletic Association. He and Mr. DeBarge also had an opportunity to go to the Sheriff’s Office to review ODMAP which is an Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program the department can use for real time overdoses to monitor trends. It’s part of the Hampden County Addiction Task Force.

Mr. DeBarge stated he attended the Celebration of Life of Eric Nelson. He was the CEO for WestMass and our main person for our Mills Project. Mr. DeBarge advised the residents of the new route for the Memorial Day – Veteran’s Day Parade which now includes Maple Street. Representatives from the Veterans Office will visit Maple Street residents with flyers requesting no parking take place on Maple Street to make room for the floats.

The image shows five handwritten signatures in black ink, each written over a horizontal line. The signatures are cursive and vary in style. From top to bottom, they appear to be: 1. A signature that looks like 'S. Silva'. 2. A signature that looks like 'K. Goncalves'. 3. A signature that looks like 'M. Fernandes'. 4. A signature that looks like 'A. Rosenblum'. 5. A signature that looks like 'C. DeBarge'.

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