

**ACUSHNET BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

I. MEETING MINUTES

Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve the Consent Agenda including the release of the minutes of the Regular Session Board of Selectmen's Meeting of September 25, 2019 as presented, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes. The Board did discuss no progress with the Veterans Housing possibly put an article on town meeting and sell the building.

II. MEETING MAIL None

III. APPOINTMENTS None

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. FIRE CHIEF/EMS DIRECTOR DISCUSSION OF P.J. KEATING-APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION & RELOCATION OF ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANKS

The Fire Chief discussed the Application for the land use with Keating. The Board discussed picking a date for a hearing with the residents and P.J. Keating, date was scheduled for February 11, 2020 -originally at the COA, unfortunately the COA was unavailable so the meeting was scheduled at the Ford Middle School. The Town is looking to develop a plan possible nuisance, compliance with land use, odor & dust possibly other compliance issues. It was discussed to see what we can & can't do with the all night trucks coming in and out and place restrictions. Selectman Desroches motioned to hold the land use license application on February 11, 2020, Selectman Gaspar seconded and all were in favor.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. GOLF WAGE & CLASS UPDATE

Mr. Isaac spoke about the wage & class updates that were done during the year. The Second Assistant position was proposed to be a grade 4- the second assistant had left the course and it took all summer to replace him because of the pay grade. The Golf Committee agreed to go back to the \$17.00 per hour

wage and agreed to evaluate relative salary to the Assistant Superintendent/Bunker Tech. The Committee is asking the BOS to move the class to a grade 5 relative to the level of responsibilities. Selectman Gaspar motioned to change the grade, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Selectman Gaspar Congratulated Mr. Flynn for being Chairman for the Golf committee recent position.

2. DISCUSSION OF THREE YEAR LEASES AND NEW FIVE YEAR LEASE

Mr. Isaac spoke about a plan for the golf cart lease. There is a payment due on 7/1/2020 for \$39,000 and an additional balloon payment due of \$77,000 result of trying to utilize a 5 year lease that didn't work out. The Golf Committee is trying to roll the \$77,000 into another 3 year lease effective fy22-24. The leasing company will not agree until actual vote is taken. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve the 3 year lease pay the current balloon payment and go forward for another 3 years. Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor.

Another plan regarding the equipment starting this year is to replace one fairway mower & one rough mower, utilizing the funds that were appropriated at town meeting under article 9 which was for \$150,000 to outright purchase the fairway mower to save on interest payments & we plan to use \$40,000 to upgrade the tent, carts & greens for outings.

Selectman Gaspar motioned to expend \$55,000 for the purchase of the fairway mower, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor.

It was also voted to enter into the 5 year lease for the rough mower to take delivery in April to start making payments in July. Selectman Gaspar made the motion to approve the 5 year lease, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor.

3. SURPLUS EQUIPMENT 2001 DODGE RAM-DEEMED UNUSABLE

Resolution to Declare Items as Surplus Property

The Town of Acushnet Department of Public Works requests approval from the Board of Selectmen to declare the attached list of one item as surplus property and properly dispose of them.

2001Dodge Ram vin# 1B7HC1621S198431

Selectman Gaspar motioned to declare the DPW item as surplus property as presented. Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor.

VI. SELECTMENS REPORT

Chairman Cabral read the resignation letter from Ron San Angelo stating that he could not come to an agreement with the town and would not be accepting the Town Administrator position.

The Board announced that it had previously scheduled a meeting for January 8th in accordance with the open meeting law to discuss the Town Administrator position in executive session. The Board will also approve to finalize the Police Chief's Contract.

VII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

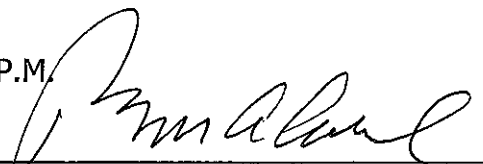
VIII. TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

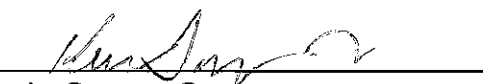
Selectman Cabral motioned to accept a motion under G.L. 30A, § 21 (a)(2) to conduct a strategy session in preparation for negotiation with non-union personnel (Police Chief & Town Administrator Contract) if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining & litigating position of the public body as the chair so declares and not to return to public session.

Roll call vote: Selectman Gaspar, Selectman Desroches and Chairman Cabral were all in favor.

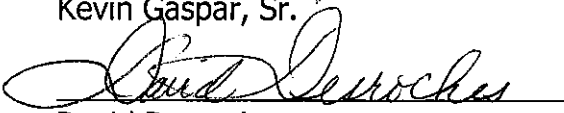
ADJOURNED REGULAR SESSION AT 6:15 P.M.



Roger A. Cabral, Chairman



Kevin Gaspar, Sr.



David Desroches
Board of Selectmen