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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

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Georgetown Middle / Senior High School

06/21/2021

6:00PM-General Meeting

Prior to the Annual & Special Town Meeting

Selectmen Present: *Douglas Dawes, Chair, Vice Chair Peter Kershaw, David Twiss, Amy E. Smith, and Gary Fowler.*

Others Present: *Michael Farrell, Town Administrator. Administrative Assistant, Maureen Shultz, Police Chief Donald Cudmore, Dave Surface, Town Moderator.*

6:00PM Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance Douglas W. Dawes.

D. Dawes motioned to open the Board of Selectman meeting, seconded by P. Kershaw. Roll call vote was taken all in favor.

The Board went over the special and the annual Town meeting articles and discussed who would speak on which ones.

Special Town Meeting Articles

Article 1- STM D. Twiss to read article

Article 2-STM A. Smith to read article

Article 3-STM-P. Kershaw to read article

Article 4-STM -D. Dawes to read article

Article 5-STM- D. Surface, Town Moderator to read article.

Article 6 -STM G. Fowler to read article

Article -3 ATM-Finance Committee to read article.

Annual Town Meeting Articles

Article 1-ATM -Town Moderator -no committee reports

Article 2-ATM-Finance Committee to reads article -G. Fowler asked a question on procedure.

Article 3-ATM-Finance Committee to read.

Article 4-ATM- D. Twiss asked what is the amount of free cash that the Town has currently. -Assessor money returning back to the Town \$70K-if the Town does not use this money it will go to free cash in the fall.

Article 5-ATM G. Fowler-spoke on Marijuana excise tax into this-D. Twiss stated if this is voted on it will come out of free cash.

Article 6-Water Department to read article or D. Twiss will read.

Article 7-ATM-Fire Chief Savage to read article

Article 8-Finance Committee to read article.

VOTES BY THE BOARD:

G. Fowler motioned the Board in reference to American Legion Park, that due to recent and past events of overcrowding and public property destruction in consultation with the Chief of Police Don Cudmore, this being a matter that has come before this Board many times , that we the Board of Selectman and Selectwomen hereby order American Legion park open only for Georgetown residents their guest, scheduled public events are closed to non-residents, our priority is the safety of our residents and their property in Georgetown, we further order that a subcommittee will be formed and appointed for the implantation of plans and or policy for a re-opening of said park to the public by the end of FY 2022, seconded by D. Twiss. Roll call vote was taken 4-1-0-D. Dawes opted out of the vote would like to see what Town Council say.

D. Dawes-Roberts Rules -for discussion

D. Twiss spoke of illegal activities, trash, drinking, smoking and suggest short term solution now.

P. Kershaw questioned how do we address these concerns.

Chief D. Cudmore spoke on Camp Dennison and how they run a great camp they show a good example and believes the Town should have the same concept at American Legion Park. Chief D. Cudmore suggest someone to monitor the beach possible from Parks & Rec.

ADJOURNMENT:

G. Fowler moved a motion to adjourn with D. Twiss moved to second the motion. The Board voted unanimously on a roll call vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.