

LANCASTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Special Meeting Minutes VIA ZOOMTM Of November 30, 2020

6:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jay M. Moody will call the meeting to Order at 6:30 P.M. via ZOOM™

Meeting ID 813 4556 0003

Invite Link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81345560003

II. ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, AND POLICY

 To review the Memorandum of Agreement for Lancaster Firefighters Teamsters, Local No. 170. Vote may be taken.

Selectman Sendrowski moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Lancaster Firefights Teamsters, Local No. 170. Selectman Allison Seconded. Jason A. Allison vote Aye, Jay M. Moody vote Aye and Walter F. Sendrowski vote Aye. [3-0-0]

2. To review the Memorandum of Agreement for Lancaster Coalition of Police Local 208. Vote may be taken.

Selectman Sendrowski moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Lancaster Coalition of Police Local 208. Selectman Allison Seconded. Jason A. Allison vote Aye, Jay M. Moody vote Aye and Walter F. Sendrowski vote Aye. [3-0-0]

 To review the Memorandum of Agreement for American Federation of State, County Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 93, Local 1817- AFL-CIO (Department of Public Works). Vote may be taken.

Selectman Sendrowski moved to approve Memorandum of Agreement for American Federation of State, County Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 93, Local 1817- AFL-CIO (Department of Public Works). Selectman Allison Seconded. Jason A. Allison vote Aye, Jay M. Moody vote Aye and Walter F. Sendrowski vote Aye. [3-0-0].

4. <u>Discussion on outdoor only Special Town Meeting - including adding warrant articles for Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School and discussion removing Saturday as a holiday. Votes may be taken.</u>

Town Administrator Pacheco explained to the Board if the Town does not object to the borrowing of Minuteman, the article by virtually of non-action is then seen as approval.

Selectman Sendrowski asked how many Towns will it take to stop the Minuteman's request. Town Administrator Pacheco stated that it will only take one Town to vote no.

Town Administrator Pacheco stated the Town will need to do a Special Town Meeting, which will be held outdoors, to vote on the Minuteman's request.

He noted Chapter 71, Section 16d of the General Laws which are applicable to School Districts; explaining that Minuteman has \$5Million for the \$6.4Million project. They are looking to borrow the \$1.4 Million over 10 years at a cost of approximately \$24,000 annually to the Town of Lancaster.

Chairman Moody asked Chair of the Finance Committee, Jay Riley his position on the subject matter. Mr. Riley noted that he would have to drill down more into this matter, further noting that the Finance Committee has not discussed the Minuteman request and he is not the position to give comment until his Board has a chance to meet.

Chairman Moody and Selectman Allison raised concern and hesitation on having the Board of Selectmen decide on not having a Special Town Meeting, which with no action, will approve Minuteman's request.

Selectman Allison asked can the Town have an extension on the sixty days. Town Administrator Pacheco noted that the School Committee will need to wait and start the 60 day clock at a later date.

Selectman Allison further noted that the timing of this is not really ideal.

Selectman Sendrowski asked that the Town Administrator get a hold of Minuteman to negotiate the 60 day time frame.

Town Administrator Pacheco stated that there should be a formal letter from the Board of Selectmen to Minuteman and the other 7 towns requesting the School Committee to retake the vote in early March to coordinate with the Town Meeting schedules.

Selectman Allison stated that if the request to Minuteman does not work, he would like to entertain a vote to have a Special Town Meeting. He further stated that it should be stressed to Minuteman Superintendent that having a Special Town Meeting during a Pandemic is concerning.

Town Administrator Pacheco stated that delaying the vote will not impact the interest rates, but he does not know how long their bids are good for; and that may be a driving factor. He will update the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting of December 7th.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, on a Motion by Selectman Sendrowski, Seconded by Selectman Allison, it was unanimously voted. The Board of Selectmen adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Kathleen Rocco Executive Assistant

> Jason A. Allison, Clerk Approved and accepted: //4/2/