

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 (following Health meeting). 7:40

Board members present: James Consolati, Matthew Puntin, Michael Curtin & Molly Curtin-Schaefer. See attached sign in sheet. NONE

Mail was read, previous minutes and treasury warrants were approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

*Joseph Delmolino submitted a letter of resignation effective June 18, 2018 from the Board of Appeals.*

*James Consolati made a motion to appoint Catherine Mardula as an alternate to the Historical Commission, Matthew Puntin seconded, no opposition.*

*Economic Development District in Berkshire County – Matthew Puntin made a motion to support the establishment of an Economic Development District thru the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission as such a letter of support for this was signed. James Consolati seconded, no opposition.*

*The Group Life Insurance policy has changed due to a change in the re-structure of Berkshire County Insurance. The Board asked Molly to contact Boston Mutual Life Insurance to see how they accommodate elected officials. (The new program states employees with regularly scheduled hours per week, however elected employees who qualify, normally do not have regularly scheduled hours.)*

*The Engagement to represent contract for the civil suit against those legally responsible for the wrongful distribution of prescription opiates and damages caused thereby contract was signed.*

*Group Purchasing will extend the same pricing for FY19 thru O'Connell Gas for the Towns gasoline at the transfer station.*

*The Superintendent's Office at Lee Public Schools will be asked to submit in writing the reason for the deficit in the FY18 school budget (even with a free cash vote at the Special Town Meeting on May 8, 2018) to fund the FY18 deficit and if this will also affect the FY19 budget.*

**LONGEVITY PAY** –Matthew Puntin made a motion to adopt a longevity benefit to employees working 20 hours or more as follows:

Beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year immediately following the fiscal in which an eligible employee completes 15 years of service, he or she shall accrue 1 additional day of paid vacation for each additional year of service up to a maximum of 5 additional days. For all additional days of paid vacation accrued under this longevity benefit, the employee may elect to receive all or part of the longevity benefit as cash compensation instead of paid time off. Michael Curtin, seconded no opposition. This program is starting in FY18.

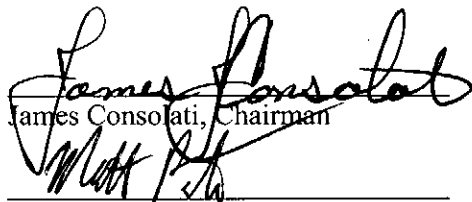
AUDIT REPORT – Scanolin & Associates, LLC of South Deerfield, Mass submitted an independent Accountant's Report of Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures to the Board. The report (on file in the Town Office) made a couple of recommendations regarding Tax Collector, Treasurer and Accounting Officers procedures. The cash position of the Town was found to be correct with an \$833.00 adjustment. The Board made no changes to the policies in the three departments. Peggy DeSantis has purchased a remote deposit machine to deposit checks as soon as received.


*It was voted with no opposition that employees and elected officials who use internet at their residence for official Town business may receive reimbursement for a portion of their internet bill.*

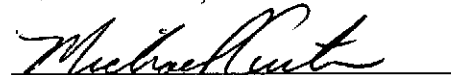
INSULATION: James Consolati made a motion to sell the 85 sheets of insulation (left over from the Library Roof) to Town residents at \$50.00 per sheet, first come, first serve. Mike Curtin seconded, no opposition.

2 BRACE ROAD: A discussion ensued regarding this property. Parker Quillin had this property in Chapter 61A and as such the Town of Tyngham has a lien on it. When he sold, the Town should have been offered the right of first refusal to purchase this property and the Town was not. James Consolati made a motion that the Town pursue their rights to purchase the acreage on which the Town still holds a lien. Matthew Puntin seconded, no opposition.

Adjourned 8:40

  
James Consolati, Chairman

  
Matthew Puntin, Clerk

  
Michael Curtin, Member