Middleborough Board of Selectmen **March 14, 2016**
Meeting Minutes

Chairman Frawley opened the meeting at 7:00 PM by inviting those in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were: Selectman A. Frawley, L. Dalpe, J. Knowlton, D. Stewart and S. McKinnon; Town Manager R. Nunes and Acting Executive Assistant, Colleen Lieb

UNANTICIPATED
Selectman Stewart asks to rescind the vote taken at the last meeting, at which, the Board voted to schedule an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining and to instead schedule it another week out because the vote that was taken had nothing to do with the Planning Department budget and allow the public has an opportunity to speak on the item.

Upon motion made by Selectman Stewart and Seconded by Selectman Dalpe, the Board voted to rescind the vote to set the Executive Session and place the item on the next agenda so the public will have an opportunity to see it and come to the discussion if they want to be heard on it. Motion and second are withdrawn.

The Board and Town Manager discussed the proper protocol for the matter at hand and it was explained how this is not a subject that is open for public comment, as it involves Unions and Bargaining Agreements, so it must be done in Executive Session. It was noted that Special Town Counsel will be attending the discussion at 8:15 pm.

The Board agrees to table the discussion until 8:15 PM.

ANNCOUNCMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS
The Board made announcements. The Public made announcements.

MINUTES
Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, the Board voted unanimously to approve the February 29, 2016 minutes.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted to unanimously to approve the March 7, 2016 minutes.

WARRANTS
Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon to approve and authorize the Chairman, as a designee to sign the warrants for the week ending March 12, 2016. Unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Pledge to "Spread the Word, End the Word"
Melissa Morrison introduces her 10 year old daughter Zoe. Zoe spoke eloquently to the Board about the importance of not using the r-word (retarded) any longer. She spoke about how her 8 year old sister has Downs Syndrome and she started this campaign to advocate the removal of this cruel and unfair misrepresentation of categorizing people with misunderstood medical conditions. There was a slideshow presented of all the support from the Community for this

project. The members of the Board of Selectmen and other meeting participants sign their names to Zoe's Pledge Banner.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Jennifer Monsini to the Agricultural Commission.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Donna Johnson to fill a vacancy on the Weston Forest Committee.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the TBA Architects proposal for the Oliver House in connection with the MassHistorical Grant.

Jane Lopes, Oliver Estate Advisory Committee, provided a copy of a letter from the Peirce Trustees committing funding up to $10,000 in architectural services connected with the Town's application for a MassPreservation Projects Fund grant for work at the Oliver House.

Chairman Frawely asked that the Board of Selectmen be provided copies of all the agenda's and minutes to date, and then going forward be included on the distribution. He states that the Board would like to be kept in the loop.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the application to the Favrot Foundation in the amount of $4,950 to be used to cover 50% of the cost for architectural services as the Oliver House Restoration and sign the Letter of Support.

HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES

Brian Lynch, School Superintendent, Rich Young & Brian Giovanoni, School Committee and Kathy Piatelli were present for the discussion.

7:30 PM School Transportation
School

Brian Lynch presented a power point presentation on the FY '17 School budgets. Chairman Frawley asked that the vote on the FY '17 School budgets be taken at the next meeting.

<u>Sheffield Estates Roadway Acceptance</u>

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted to set the hearing for the Roadway Acceptance of Sheffield Estates for Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:45 PM.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to send the layout plan of Sheffield Estates to the Planning Board for review and comment.

Eastwood Estates
Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectmen McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to set the hearing for the Roadway Acceptance of Eastwood Estates for Monday, April 11, 2016 at 8:00 PM.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted unanimously to send the layout plan of Eastwood Estates to the Planning Board for review and comment.

TOWN MANAGERS REPORT
The Town Manager provided an overview of the STM & ATM articles. He noted that a detailed review of each article will be scheduled for the end of March.

CORRESPONDENCE
#1 Selectman Dalpe referenced the Nature Conservancy's letter regarding the Towns eligibility to receive the Hazard Mitigation Grant that was applied for in early 2011.

Selectman McKinnon asked that the Town Manager look into the status of the purchase of Woloski Park.

UNANTICIPATED (continued)
Leo Peloquin, Labor Counsel, was present for the discussion.

Chairman Frawley provided a recap of the earlier tabled discussion for Attorney Peloquin. Selectman Stewart explained her concerns. Attorney Peloquin confirmed that his opinion that the Board can enter into Executive Session under the condition of Collective Bargaining.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman Stewart the Board voted to postpone the Executive Session and allow for it to be set at the next meeting instead to allow proper time for comment. One in favor. Four against. Motion does not carry.

Upon motion made by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, the Board voted by Roll Call to go into Executive Session at 8:15 PM and not to return to Open Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining with GMEG; AFSCME Clerical – COA. Roll Call: S. McKinnon, Yes; L. Dalpe, Yes; J. Knowlton, Yes; A. Frawley, Yes; D. Stewart, No. Ended at 10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Colleen M. Lieb, Acting Executive Assistant
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