MEETING MINUTES

Town of Heath SELECT BOARD 18 Jacob Road December 7, 2022

Called to Order at 4:00 p.m. With Robyn Provost Carlson, Brian De Vriese, and Hilma Sumner, Town Coordinator, in attendance. Absent: Susan Lively

Others in Attendance: Police Officer Lee Lively and Kyle Jarvis.

Substitute Postal Worker: Julie Smead expressed interest in being appointed as a substitute postal worker and was recommended by Postal Worker Charlene Reynolds. On a motion by Brian De Vriese and a second by Robyn Provost Carlson, the Select Board unanimously voted to appoint Julie Smead as a substitute postal worker.

FY24 Budget Planning Letter: On a motion by Brian De Vriese and a second by Robyn Provost Carlson, the Select Board unanimously voted to approve the Finance Committee letter to be sent to each department for the FY24 budget planning.

Decorating Town Property: It was noted that some of the holiday decorations in the town center had just appeared without knowledge or approval of the Board. Bob Viarengo had requested permission to hang wreathes at both Sawyer Hall and the Community Hall. The Board expressed its appreciation for Bob's thoughtfulness. The recent unapproved activity has brought to the Board's attention that there needs to be a policy written with protocol about any sign or object placed on town property or any alteration to town property.

4:15 p.m. On a motion by Brian De Vriese and a second by Robyn Provost Carlson, the Select Board unanimously voted to adjourn the open session and to move into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(1) - to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. – Open Meeting Law Complaint regarding Select Board - Jesse Weigand (December 2, 2022) – acknowledge receipt and review complaint; authorize submission of response by Town Counsel, and to reconvene in open session.

Brian De Vriese Aye Robyn Provost Carlson Aye

4:28 p.m. Meeting reconvened in open session. Robyn read a chronological list of facts regarding the events leading up to the November 2, 2022, executive session meeting. In her statement, Robyn noted the two occurrences when possible litigation was mentioned by MTRSD personnel.

4:36 p.m. On a motion by Brian De Vriese and a second by Robyn Provost Carlson, the Select Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilma A. Sumner Town Coordinator