A Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday March 5 2020, 6:30pm in the Francis O’Brien Meeting Room, Town Hall, 26 Bryant Street, Dedham, Massachusetts

Present were:

Dennis Guilfoyle - Chair

Dr. Dennis J. Teehan - Vice Chair

James A. MacDonald

Sarah E. MacDonald

Dimitria Sullivan

Dr. Teehan called the Meeting to order at 6:35pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Mr. Guilfoyle.

**Dedham Citizens – Open Discussion**

None.

**Recognition of Police Officer of the Year - Steven Munchbach**

Chief D’Entremont stated that every year we take a look at the Officers in the office

and try to see the one who stands out a little more. Chief D’Entremont added

that the Officer of the year, 2019, is Steve Munchbach. Chief D’Entremont informed

everyone that Officer Munchbach has been with the Department for over 8 years and

handles everything in a very professional manner. Chief D’Entremont read a few

comments from Officer Munchbach’s supervisors and then commented on a few of

Officer Munchbach’s accomplishments and accolades. Chief D’Etremont informed all

that they receive an overall activity report and Officer Munchbach was, by far always at

the top.

The Board commented on Officer Munchbach’s award and congratulated him as well.

Officer Munchbach thanked his wife for putting up with his crazy schedule. Officer

Munchbach thanked Chief D’Entremont for always being accessible and for supporting

him.

**Discussion & Vote Re: Common Victualer License Vrestena, Inc. d/b/a East**

**Dedham Pizza, 234 Bussey Street**

Dimitris Siaflianis and Panaiota Tinos explained that they are requesting approval of a

Common Victualler License for East Dedham Pizzeria.

Ms. Baker stated that this is a corporate change, not a name change.

Ms. Sullivan moved approval; Seconded by Dr. Teehan. **On the Vote**: Ms. MacDonald,

yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald, yes.

**Discussion & Vote Request for Thomas’ Trek for S.I.D.S. Road race**

Jodi and Jay Bissonnette informed all that their son Thomas died on February 4, 2018

due to SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) at 2.5 months. Ms. Bissonnette

Stated that they are involved with a program at Children’s Hospital called the Robert’s

Program. Ms. Bissonnette added that Children’s never asked them for a penny, so they

would like to have a run this October 18, 2020 called Thomas’ Trek for SIDS in memory

of Thomas and to raise money for a donation to Children’s so they can continue their

research into SIDS.

Ms. Bissonette informed the Board that she and her husband have already met with

both Chiefs as well as Parks and Rec., for the 1-day permit and Joe Flannigan told her

he would help out in any way he could.

Ms. Bissonnette informed the Board that they would like to start the race at Fairbanks

Field and have a little Family day afterwards with hotdogs and hamburgers and a D-Jay

For the kids.

Mr. MacDonald moved approval; Seconded by Ms. MacDonald. **On the Vote**: Ms.

MacDonald, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

**Discussion & Vote Request for Pool Table at Auld Sod Pub, 274 Washington St.**

Hugh Varden, Manager of Auld Sod Pub – was present before the Board.

Dr. Teehan moved approval; Seconded by Ms. MacDonald. **On the Vote**: Ms. Sullivan,

yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald, yes.

**Discussion & Vote to Appoint & Confirm Election Wardens & Poll workers &**

**Approval of any necessary Exemptions under Ch. 268A s.20 (b)**

Ms. Baker stated that the Town Clerk has provided a list of Election Wardens (already

Approved) and Poll workers, some of whom polled part time or had other seasonal

positions with the Town.

Ms. Baker stated that the motion would be to confirm the Wardens, approve the Poll

workers and approve exemptions for:

Emily Reynolds

Kristen Spencer

Julia Salemy

Jill Scarmuzzo

James Sullivan

Sandra Poch

Robin Carew

Anthony Mucciacio

Mary Sugrue

Margaret Figlioli

George Writer

Mr. MacDonald moved approval; Seconded by Dr. Teehan. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

**Discussion & Vote Request for Big Dan’s Kids Race 2**

Ms. Baker stated that Mr. O’Neil is requesting a race, March 28, 2020 to start and end

at Condon Park.

Mr. MacDonald moved approval; Seconded by Dr. Teehan. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

**Discussion & Vote Re: Transfer of a Wine & Malt Package Store License from**

**Vincenzo’s Italian Deli, Inc. d/b/a Vincenzo’s, 29 Bryant St. to Mike & B.V. Group,**

**Inc. d/b/a Pam’s Market, 366 Bridge Street, and approval of Jayshri V. Patel as**

**Manager**

Ms. Sullivan moved, based upon the information, testimony and documentary evidence

received by the Board at the February 13, 2020 hearing that the Board

deny the application for transfer of the Wine & Malt package store license from

Vincenzo’s Italian Deli to Mike & B.V. Group, Inc., d/b/a Pam’s Market and to make the

following findings in this regard:

1. The proposed transferee Business, Pam’s Market, has received numerous

Violations/Citations from 2010 through 2019 from the Health Department regarding the condition of the premises.

1. The Business owners have no experience in the sale of alcohol.
2. The business does not now provide for beverage container redemption and has insufficient space to effectively provide it.
3. The business has failed to keep the exterior of the premises free from trash despite numerous complaints and citations.
4. The business’s location is already the site of significant traffic and parking problems.

The Board heard from numerous abutters and neighborhood residents, in person at the hearing and in writing, in opposition to this license transfer based on concerns of traffic, trash at the site and the owners’ failure to operate the business in a professional manner; Seconded by Mr. MacDonald. **On the Vote**: Ms. Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald, yes.

**Discussion/Update w/ Selectman Sarah MacDonald, Planning Board Member**

**Jessica Porter, Town Planner Jeremy Rosenberger & MAPC Representative**

**Josh Fiala Re: Master Plan Community Visioning Forum**

**Pushed to next BOS meeting**

**Town Manager’s Presentation of FY’21 Budget Message**

Honorable Board Members,

In accordance with Massachusetts General Law and the Dedham Town Charter, it is my pleasure to present this proposed balanced budget to you and the Finance and Warrant Committee for your review and consideration. As this is my first time going through the budget process with the Town of Dedham, I owe many thanks to the dedicated team of Town employees and officials that assisted in getting me up to speed and drafting this proposed budget over the past few months. I would also like to give special thanks to our Director of Finance and Information Technology, Andrea Terkelsen, who has worked tirelessly to bring this document to fruition. Over the past five years, Andrea has spearheaded numerous improvements to the Town’s finance and information technology operations, most notable transitioning the Town to the state of the art Tyler Technologies Munis Enterprise Resource Management (ERM) software that will allow us to increase efficiency and transparency. As she will be leaving the Town this month, this will be Andrea’s last budget with the Town and her professional dedication will be sorely missed.

While this has been, and will continue to be, a challenging budget year for a variety of reasons, I am confident that the talented team we have here in Dedham will continue to deliver the high level of service expected by our residents at a cost that is both affordable and sustainable.

**Total Budget:**

The total FY2021 General Fund Budget including all sources and uses of funds is $120,182,820, an increase of $3,335,764 or 2.9 % over the total FY2020 budget. The proposed budget represents a reduction of almost $500,000 from the level service budgets submitted by Town departments. Of this amount, the operating portion represents $114,331,950**,** an increase of $4,442,847or 4%over the FY2020 operating budget. Major budget drivers will be detailed below and in the budget presentation.

**Capital Budget:**

Over the past several years, Dedham has made significant investments in its capital assets. We are nearing completion of the new Town Hall/Senior Center, have recently completed the new Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC), and will break ground on a new combined Public Safety Building in the coming months. We have also made significant progress addressing existing building and infrastructure capital needs and maintained the replacement schedules for vehicles and other equipment. However, in contrast to prior years where there was ample Free Cash available to fund these measures, this year we are again faced with what will be the new normal, only $1,000,000 of Free Cash to fund a multitude of necessary improvements. To put things in perspective, the Capital Expenditure Committee is currently reviewing over $6 million in FY2021 capital requests and as recently as FY2019 over $2.6 million in Free Cash was allocated for capital expenditures.[[1]](#footnote-1) Undoubtedly, many worthy requests will be left unfunded this year.

Notably, this budget continues with the recent decision to reduce funding of the road plan and instead directs funds toward the special stabilization fund (Robin Reyes Fund) for the purpose of replacing and maintaining our building inventory. This year, that amount is again $500,000.

**Education Budgets:**

I am recommending an appropriation of $47,172,373 for the Dedham School Department. This represents an increase of $1,865,754 or 5.2% over the FY2020 appropriation[[2]](#footnote-2). Of this increase, over 80% is attributable to contractual costs (cost of living adjustments and scheduled step increases) associated with collective bargaining agreements. Other significant factors are an increase in out-of-district special education tuition and enrollment increases at the pre-school and elementary levels.

Blue Hills Regional Technical School and Norfolk County Agricultural School funding is $2,026,644, an increase of 4.8% over FY2020.

**Proposed Personnel Changes:**

At its goal setting on February 8, 2020, the highest priority identified by the Board was improved communication (website, social media, and traditional). To accomplish this, the Board established the objective of funding a full-time communications professional in the FY2021 budget. To fund this in a budget neutral manner, I am recommending that the part-time Environmental Coordinator position and associated departmental costs be eliminated in FY2021. This will result in over $120,000 of savings. It is our belief that we can make this change while providing the same level of service due to the creation of an assistant planner position as of January 2020. Originally designed to be a combined planning/communications position, during the hiring process it became apparent that hiring a single individual that could provide both professional planning and communications services would be impossible. However, the new planner will add capacity to the Planning Department that will allow for the assumption of a majority of the Environment Coordinator's duties. Other responsibilities, including those related to recycling, will be transferred to the Department of Public Works.

Other positions proposed in this budget:

* Full-time Parking Enforcement Officer (funded by anticipated $100,000 increase in parking revenue)
* Full-time Network Administrator (offset by a reduction in the outside IT technical services budget)
	+ This is necessitated by the anticipated hiring of a dedicated Director of Finance and a redesign of the way that we are delivering information technology services

**Other Budget Items of Note:**

* This budget fully funds the Dedham Retirement Board’s required annual contribution as well as the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) annual required contribution. Combined, this amounts to over $5.5 million in expenditures to meet our financial obligations.
* The Facilities budget increases $343,520 or nearly 18%. This increase is primarily driven by increased costs associated with the Town Hall and ECEC buildings.
* Dedham continues to belong to the West Suburban Health Group for the provision of health insurance in accordance with the Public Employee Committee (PEC) Agreement ratified in 2018 that transitioned a majority of employees to cost-saving High Deductible Health Plans (HDHPs) combined with Health Savings Accounts (HSAs). While we can no longer expect to see decreasing benefit budgets as a result of this change, the estimated increase for the Town’s blended health insurance premiums is 5.2% for FY2021. This remains below the industry average and reinforces the Town’s decision to move in this direction in 2018.

**Effect on Levy/Average Residential Tax Bill:**

A combination of factors during the fiscal years prior to FY2020 produced very small levy increases. It was indicated during that time that the levy increases would at some point increase to generally reflect budget growth. FY2020 was the first year where the favorable conditions, most notably substantial sums of Free Cash, no longer allowed the artificial suppression of the residential tax levy. As a result, the residential tax levy increased by 5.03% in FY2020. As proposed, this budget reflects a 6.4% increase in the residential levy for FY2021. Over the past several years Dedham has made substantial investments in its human and capital resources, including funding the new Town’s Hall/Senior Center, Early Childhood Education Center, and a combined Public Safety Building. A continued balanced approach will allow Dedham to address its infrastructure needs[[3]](#footnote-3) while maintaining the services people expect within a budget that is both affordable and sustainable.

Thank you and I look forward to working with the Select Board, Finance and Warrant Committee and Town Meeting Members this year and in the years to come to create a sustainable plan for the future of Dedham.

Sincerely,

Leon I. Goodwin III

Town Manager

Mr. MacDonald thanked Mr. Goodwin and his team for the Budget Presentation. Mr.

MacDonald informed all the Town Manager’s presentation now goes to the Finance

and Warrant Committee and that will be on March 14, 2020. Mr. MacDonald added that

the budget meeting with the Finance and Warrant Committee is open to the public.

Dr. Teehan stated the Environmental Coordinator position was cut. As Mr. Macdonald

said, this is the beginning of the line for the Town Manager’s budget, there is a long

road to hoe and in the end, it is Town Meeting’s decision.

Ms. MacDonald stated that the proposal is not to get rid of a function, it is to re-organize

a function, that is a .6 FTE into a .5 FTE combined with the planning effort.

John Gorham – Chair Sustainability Committee.

Mr. Gorham stated that he wanted to talk about the Environmental Coordinator position.

Mr. Gorham stated his affinity for Ginny Leclaire and lauded the work she has done in

her tenure as the Environmental Coordinator. Mr. Gorham then stated that we need to

be more focused on climate change and that was of the top of Ms. LeClaire’s list.

**Discussion & Vote w/Dedham Schools Re: Submission of Statement of Interest to**

**MSBA**

Mr. MacDonald recused himself as he is the COO of MSBA.

Mike Welch – Superintendent of Dedham Schools, was present before the Board.

Superintendent Welch introduced Dave Roberts, Chair SBRC and Kevin Coughlin,

Chair, School Committee.

Superintendent Welch stated that his request is for the Board of Selectmen to support

our application/ Statement of Interest to the MSBA to potentially support what could

become a replacement for the Oakdale School. Superintendent Welch added that the

MSBA has supported Dedham School projects in the past. Superintendent Welch

informed the Board that this is the first phase of a 7 year process, that will ultimately

result in whether or not we get asked into the Process. Superintendent Welch stated

the application is due April 8, 2020.

Superintendent Welch continued to explain the process of getting accepted into the

Process. Essentially what the BOS needs to do is simply approve Superintendent

Welch, making this application. Superintendent Welch Stated that he has been in touch

with MSBA and have received feedback from then.

Mr. Roberts informed all that the ECEC came in about $1.5 million under budget.

Kevin Coughlin thanked and congratulate the SBRC for all their hard work sheparding

this program through.

Superintendent Welch continued informing all about who he has been in contact with,

shared information with and described where they are in the process.

Superintendent Welch informed all that the Oakdale School is 118 years old and is

listed as a 3 on a rating scale by the MSBA which goes from 1 to 4, with 1 being a

School that doesn’t need anything and a 4 meaning the School is uninhabitable.

Superintendent Welch added that the Oakdale School is the only Dedham School rated

a 3 and Dedham has 2 level 2 Schools, Green Lodge and Riverdale. Superintendent

Welch continued, saying the Dedham High School is rated a 1.

Superintendent Welch stated that typically Schools are a level 2 or 3, so even though

only 11 Schools out of 83 Applicants last year were accepted, he believes that with the

age of the School and its current condition, he believes that we have a quality

application.

Ms. Sullivan asked Superintendent Welch if we put forward the Oakdale School does

that actually prevent a solution that would include more than the Oakdale School.

Superintendent Welch informed all that essential we are asking to be admitted into the

grant process and it doesn’t say that we are going to rebuild anything, other than the

final solution needs to involve the Oakdale student population. The MSBA may come

back asking, us to tell them about Dedham’s other Schools.

Superintendent Welch went on to explain the next steps in the process.

Dr. Teehan asked Superintendent Welch what would happen if the application was

approved on the first pass.

Superintendent Welch informed all that we submit the SOI on or before April 8, 2020

and we will likely hear right around Christmas. This is when we get informed if we have

been accepted or not. Superintendent Welch stated that we have 270 days to come up

with the feasibility process and we would be looking for design monies at Town

Meeting to do a feasibility study. All of this takes about 10 months.

Dr. Teehan asked Superintendent Welch when we are looking at shovels in the ground.

Superintendent Welch answered that this is about a seven year process from where we

are now to when we open the Building. Superintendent Welch stated that construction

will take about 20 - 24 months, but we’ll have shovels in the ground about 4.5.years into

the project.

Ms. MacDonald asked Superintendent Welch to talk about what happens now as far as

community engagement and the MSBA, do people come again to the meetings to talk

about combinations of schools. What’s the outlet for residents and what are the

expectations that residents will be able to be heard and questions to be answered.

Superintendent Welch stated that once we get invited into the process that will be the

time for community engagement.

**Ms. Sullivan** moved that: Having convened in an open meeting on March 5, 2020, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the Board of Selectmen of Dedham, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 4, 2020 for the Oakdale Elementary School located at 147 Cedar Street which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future :

Priority 5: Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility.

Due to the age and available construction techniques at the time the school was built, all mechanical systems in the Oakdale School are outdated, obsolete, and in need of replacement.

Priority 7: Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

Typical classrooms in the original building are significantly undersized, most others in the other parts of the building are also undersized. This limits the ability of the district to provide for the needs of all students.

The building does not have a cafeteria, and food is prepared off-site and warmed at the school. No cafeteria means that meals are carried to and consumed in classrooms creating an environment that is not easily cleaned and attracts rodents annually.

The absence of an auditorium or assembly space means that the undersized gym becomes an OT/PT/Assembly area on a regular basis. Due to the absence of a library/media center, a community effort was made about 12 years ago to convert an existing third floor attic into a library/media space. This effort, though generous, created a number of other unintended consequences because the space was never designed to be occupied by students.

Because the "youngest" part of the building is now over 50 years old, most areas of the building are plagued by:

* antiquated lighting
* poor control of the temperature in classrooms and other occupied spaces
* poor ventilation in classrooms and throughout the building
* poor acoustics - window single glazing; room materials and engineering system noise all contribute to higher than desirable background noise levels
* bathrooms located only in the basement requiring students to descend in some instances 3 floors of stairs just to use the bathrooms

In addition, there are many issues related to a safe and secure learning environments:

* Entry into the school is dependent on a phone/camera. The main office is located in a different portion of the building with no view of the accessible entrance. This means there is no control of a person once they are "buzzed in".
* There is no way of automatically locking down portions of the building in a lock down condition.
* There is a need for additional Special Education and ELL spaces as the current ELL teacher Conducts class in what was a storage closet in the basement
* Complete lack of handicap accessibility to the 1902 portion of the building

and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority; **Seconded by Ms. MacDonald.**

**On the Vote**: Ms. Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes;

Mr. MacDonald, recused.

**Discussion Re: BOS/Town Manager Goals**

**PUSHED TO A FUTURE MEETING**

**Ames Update**

* Nancy and Leon met with Paul DuRoss, Principal CTA
* Good conversation as to how to get the project going
* 3 major outstanding issues, from Life, Safety standpoint
* Working on punch list
* CTA – believes job is 99% done
* Town beieves – 95-96% done
* Walking building tomorrow with T2 to go over monetized punch list.
* Things getting in the way of us getting a Certificate of Occupancy
	+ Slope at South side entrance
	+ Lift not approved by ADA
	+ Smoke detectors fixed

Dr. Teehan asked Mr. Goodwin what is the best guess as to when this project will be

Finished.

Mr. Goodwin answered that once CTA mobilizes, they could be done in 4-6 weeks with

a 4 week lead time for the furniture to be installed.

Mr. Goodwin stated that there will be an opening ceremony where the public will be able

to see the building.

**Town Manager’s Report**

* Corona Virus – people are wondering what the next step will be.
* Very qualified Board of Health and Health Office
* Actively tracking what is happening with the country and locally
* Town website has a dedicated page with links to the Health Office and CDC
* Reminded Town Staff about good hygiene
* March 14 – first budget hearing at Town Hall

**Action by BOS:**

Run & banner hanging

Request for the 37th annual James Joyce Ramble

Sunday April 26, 2020, Endicott Estate

1-Day Wine and Beer License

Permission to hang banner

Dr. Teehan moved approval; Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. **On the Vote**: Ms. Sullivan, yes;

Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald, yes.

1-day Liquor License

Request from St. Mary’s Parish for a 1-day liquor license

Event on April 25, 6-10pm.

Dr. Teehan moved approval; Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

Drain Layer Applications

Michael Shea Co. - Walpole

Joseph Defilippo- Dedham

Blue Diamond Equipment - Foxboro

PJ Hayes Construction - Walpole

J&L Musto Construction - Reedville

Invernisi Construction - Hingham

Dr. Teehan moved approval; Seconded by Mr. MacDonald. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

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Gift Acceptance

To: DPW

From: Stop & Shop Companies

Amount $5000

What: Tree Plantings

Ms. Sullivan moved approval; Seconded by Ms. MacDonald. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

To: Endicott Estate

From: Retired Men’s Club

Amount $500

What: Continued upkeep and beautification

Ms. Sullivan moved approval; Seconded by Dr. Teehan. **On the Vote**: Ms.

Sullivan, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald,

yes.

**Old/New Business**

Ms. MacDonald stated that she handed out a draft of a Code of Conduct. Ms. MacDonald added that based on earlier conversations within this Board and some recent best practices from MMA. Ms. MacDonald stated that she would like to request to have this placed on a future agenda to discuss and approve a Code of Conduct.

Ms. MacDonald informed all that she has spoken to Town Counsel and has heard from a number of residents who would like to see a Code of Conduct applied to a larger group of elected and appointed Boards.

Ms. MacDonald stated that is Counsel’s position that the Selectmen can adopt a Code of Conduct governing our own actions as well as any Board that we singularly appoint. Ms. MacDonald stated that we have 2 options should we want to as a Board move beyond our scope of influence:

1. Approach other Boards as individuals or in a group and encourage or request that they adopt such a similar policy and we could make it as easy as possible with drafts and templates
2. The other option is to bring a By-Law to Town Meeting that would apply to all elected Boards and Officials as we saw fit

Ms. MacDonald stated that the first thing to be done is for this Board to discuss, adopt and endorse a Code and take it from there.

Dr. Teehan stated that he thinks it’s a good idea to have a Code of Conduct but he is worried over some of the text in the research that Ms. MacDonald provided and asked where she got it.

Ms. MacDonald stated that MMA has put out a best practices memo which has highlights of things that communities should consider including in a Code of Conduct. Ms. MacDonald continued, saying that this is based off of a version of several MMA communities that have adopted a Code of ethics using the MMA framework.

Dr. Teehan stated that he has questions on the legality and the sensibility of some of the wording. We need to make sure where some of these are coming from and suggests having Town Counsel play a greater role in writing our Code of Conduct.

Ms. Sullivan stated that she agrees that a Code of Conduct is necessary and that it is a good start also for the rest of the Town.

Ms. Sullivan stated that she attended a meeting held at the High School back in February regarding the School Traffic Circulation Study. Ms. Sullivan added that there were approximately 60 people in attendance, including Chief D’Entremont, School Committee members, Dr. Teehan, Town Meeting Members and so forth.

Ms. Sullivan stated that she also attended the Dedham Coalition for Substance Abuse and was thoroughly impressed by their presentation.

Ms. Sullivan thanked Building Commissioner Kenny Cimeno for helping with the property on Violet Ave.

Dr. Teehan stated that on Tuesday he will attend a Steering Committee Meeting for Dedham Square. Dr. Teehan added that he would like to pull some money together to do a study of what we should do with the Dedham Police property that will be vacated when the new Public Safety Building is finished. Dr. Teehan informed all that Mr. Goodwin has secured funding so we can get a head start on that.

Dr. Teehan stated that he has been working with Mr. Goodwin on an FAQ for the Rail Trail that provides people with direct factual answers.

Mr. MacDonald thanked the Dedham Police for the work they have been doing as there were 2 armed robberies with one resulting with someone getting shot. Mr. MacDonald added that the Police have done a terrific job with the investigation. Mr. MacDonald continued, saying the Police have done a great job utilizing Social Media.

Mr. MacDonald stated that about 75 people attended a meeting at Moseley’s which was organized by Senator Rush and Representative McMurtry concerning the construction on Bridge Street and the intersection. Mr. MacDonald confirmed that this is a MASS DOT job. Mr. MacDonald asked Ms. Baker if she could get the contact information for the center for email notifications and alert people of where to go to get these notifications.

William Shaw McDermott, 580 Bridge Street, was present before the Board. Mr. McDermott stated that he would like to talk about the Environmental Coordinator position. Mr. McDermott thanked the Town Manager for sharing so much of his time with me. Mr. McDermott added that he thinks it is very important to send a signal that we believe having an independent Environmental Coordinator is important for our Town.

Mr. McDermott stated his admiration for Ms. LeClaire.

Dr. Teehan moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. **On the Vote**: Ms. MacDonald, yes; Dr. Teehan, yes; Ms. Sullivan, yes; Mr. Guilfoyle, yes; Mr. MacDonald, yes.

The next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 19, 2020. This is to certify that the above is a true and accurate record of the minutes of the Selectmen’s Meeting held on March 5, 2020 which minutes were approved on June 4,2020 28, 2020.

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1. Of the $6 million in requests, a portion may also be funded with bonds and other financing mechanisms. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The FY2021 budget represents an increase of 3.9% over the revised FY2020 budget, which was increased at the Fall 2020 Annual TOWN Meeting. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)