

**TOWN OF DEDHAM
450 WASHINGTON STREET
DEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS**

**MINUTES OF THE SELECT BOARD MEETING
VIA TELECONFERENCE
APRIL 21, 2021, 5:30 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS:

Dennis Teehan	Chair
Dimitria Sullivan	Vice Chair
James A. McDonald	Director
Sarah MacDonald	Director
Kevin R. Coughlin	Director

TOWN OF DEDHAM STAFF:

Leon Goodwin	Town Manager
Nancy Baker	Assistant Town Manager

Minutes prepared by Abigail Pineda of Minutes Solutions Inc. from an audio recording.

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman of the Select Board, Mr. Teehan, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Freedom of Information Act Request: Ms. MacDonald asked about the status of a resident's *Freedom of Information Act* request as the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission had recently forwarded information. Mr. Goodwin advised that a meeting was held with Ms. Goldberg about the matter. She will draft a response to the resident outlining the process to obtain records and the associated fee. Mr. Teehan added that a large amount of information was requested; it will take some time to gather the information. The law stipulates that the fee can be charged and any person unwilling to pay would not receive any of the requested records.

Due to the large volume of email correspondence received by the Human Rights Commission, Mr. Goodwin noted that it should be a policy to have every town, Board and Committee members receive an individual email address. Mr. Goodwin confirmed that the Human Rights Commission and the Chairman have complied with all requests to process the information.

3. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. McDonald to enter in an Executive Session pursuant to MGL c.30A Sec. 21(a) Exemption 3 to discuss strategy for pending litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the Chair so declares. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sullivan. A roll call vote was taken:

Kevin Coughlin: Yes
Jim McDonald: Yes
Sarah MacDonald: Yes
Dimitria Sullivan: Yes
Dennis Teehan: Yes

Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

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Director

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