



Town of Reading Meeting Minutes

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Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

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Date: 2024-10-15

Time: 7:00 PM

Building: Reading Town Hall

Location: Select Board Meeting Room

Address: 16 Lowell Street

Session: Open Session

Purpose: General Business

Version: Final

Attendees: **Members - Present:**

Carlo Bacci, Karen Herrick, Mark Dockser, Chris Haley, Melissa Murphy

Members - Not Present:

Others Present:

Town Manager Matt Kraunelis, Executive Assistant Caitlin Nocella, John Lippitt, Rachel O'Neil, Amy Collins, Lori Haverty, Julie Centrella, Eilish Havey, Alice White, Nick Face, Joe Bean, Bob LeLacheur, Town Assessor Victor Santaniello, Superintendent Tom Milaschewski, Facilities Director Joe Huggins

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Caitlin Nocella

Topics of Discussion:

Chair Bacci called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Public Comment

John Lippitt would like to see the split tax rate shift to 1.2.

Rachel O'Neil, Amy Collins, Lori Haverty, Julie Centrella, Eilish Havey, Alice White, Nick Face and Joe Bean all commented their dissatisfaction with the parking kiosks.

Presentation on Tax Classification

Victor Santaniello, Town Assessor, gave the board a presentation on this year's tax classification with some prior history.

Presentation of Town Meeting Warrant Article 15

Superintendent Tom Milaschewski and Facilities Director Joe Huggins gave the board some background and explanation on their ask for \$3 Million for a new Field House floor at the high school.

Haley motioned to support Article 15 of the Subsequent Town Meeting. The motion was seconded by Dockser and approved with a 5-0 vote.

Discuss and Vote on Parking Kiosks

The board discussed all the feedback they have been hearing from the businesses over the past 2 weeks surrounding the kiosks.

Haley did not participate in the discussion on Brande Court.

Dockser moved to direct the Town Manager to refrain from collecting parking fees pursuant to Article 5.19 of the Traffic and Parking Regulations in the Upper Haven Street Municipal parking lot from October 16, 2024 to January 15, 2025. The motion was seconded by Murphy and approved with a 5-0 vote.

Dockser moved to direct the Town Manager refrain from collecting parking fees pursuant to Article 5.19 of the Traffic and Parking Regulations in the Brande Court Street Municipal parking lot from October 16, 2024 to January 15, 2025. The motion was seconded by Murphy and approved with a 4-0 vote. Haley refrained from participating in this vote.

Discuss VASC Policies

The board discussed their VASC policies and procedures and things they would like to amend in the policy.

Future Agendas

The board discussed future agenda items.

The board motioned to adjourned at 10:33 PM and passed with a 5-0 vote.