

Executive Session – Interim Town Administrator

The Executive Session (es) was part of the Wenham Board of Selectmen (BOS), **March 5, 2019** posted meeting. Materials used in the preparation of such minutes and all documents and exhibits used at the session, may be withheld from disclosure to the public in their entirety under sub clause (a) of clause Twenty-sixth of Section 7 of Chapter 4, as long as publication may defeat the lawful purposes of the es, but no longer; provided, however, that the es was held in compliance with Section 21. These minutes will not be released until approved for release by the Selectmen and notice of such approval has been entered into the regular minutes.

In open session the BOS unanimously voted by roll call to enter into executive session under M.G.L. Ch. 30A § 21(3) To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares and the BOS not return to open session but adjourn directly from executive session. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote at 6 pm. 3-0-0

Selectmen present: Catherine Harrison; John Clemenzi; Jack Wilhelm*

*Selectman Wilhelm participated remotely as stated in open session.

Also present: Peter Lombardi, Town Administrator; Catherine Tinsley, Recording Secretary

➤ Draft Contract for Interim Town Administrator

Mr. Lombardi participated in the beginning of this meeting to answer general administrative questions. He reported that Mr. Petrin reviewed the draft and agreed with the timeframe through September 30 with the understanding this would be extended if necessary.

The BOS agreed that Mr. Petrin be in town hall at least 3 days a week for a total of 25 hours. The BOS were firm that Mr. Petrin be present on Tuesdays being the Selectmen's meeting day and suggested Mondays, and Thursdays were also important days for office coverage.

Mr. Petrin disclosed that in parallel he would begin work with a municipal recruiting / consulting firm and questioned the reason his contracted stated he needed permission to do outside work, and noted this position with the firm has no formal commitment and at this time he would not be a lead consultant and requested this language be changed.

Mr. Lombardi left the meeting at 7:48 pm.

The Selectman discussed Mr. Petrin's concerns and agreed it was most important Mr. Petrin give Wenham his undivided attention for the 25 hours during the week he is contracted with the Town.

Mr. Petrin would be asked to attend the March 19 BOS ES session.

Prior to that meeting, the Chair said she would follow up with Mr. Petrin regarding the BOS responses and concerns.

Adjournment - *The BOS unanimously adjourned the meeting by roll call vote at 7:55 pm as indicated in their motion.*

Respectfully Submitted By
Catherine Tinsley

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