



TOWN OF SHREWSBURY

Select Board Workshop
Board of Selectmen Meeting Room
Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building
100 Maple Avenue
Shrewsbury, Massachusetts 01545-5398

Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Minutes

Present: Mr. Maurice M. DePalo, Chair, Ms. Beth N. Casavant, Vice Chair, Mr. John R. Samia, Board Member, Ms. Michelle K. Conlin, Board Member

Absent: Ms. Theresa H. Flynn, Clerk

Also Present: Mr. Kevin J. Mizikar, Town Manager, Mr. David Snowdon, Assistant Town Manager of Administration and Finance, Ms. Taylor M. Galusha, Principal Department Assistant - Office of the Select Board and Town Manager

1. Call to Order

Mr. DePalo called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

2. Review Strategic Plan Public Rollout

The Board discussed the Strategic Plan Rollout and how they want to distribute the finalized plan to the public. The Board noted that they would want to distribute the plan at community meetings and events, share the online version through our normal marketing outlets, and potentially have a public forum to discuss the plan with residents as well. Mr. Mizikar noted that he would be doing a high level review of the plan and how it will be implemented and measured at the Board's meeting on January 10, 2023.

3. Discuss Select Board Bylaw priorities

The Board discussed potential bylaw priorities for the coming year noting the Ava Roy Special Legislation to allow her to benefit from a full tax abatement that spouses benefit from when FireFighters are killed in the line of duty - she is a minor and does not benefit currently from this abatement.

4. Discuss Office of the Town Manager Staffing Plan

Mr. Mizikar and the Board discussed potential options for a staffing plan for the Town Manager's Office with the departure of Kristen Las, Assistant Town Manager for Community Development and Human Services. He noted that they were thinking of backfilling the position or seeing if there were other reorganization options. These were preliminary thoughts he had and would continue to work to flush out the details with Mr. Snowdon. Board members voiced their support for exploring all options for the office staffing and what the Manager needs to support Town operations.

5. Adjourn

On a motion by Ms. Casavant, seconded by Mr. Samia, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Taylor M. Galusha