

**TOWN OF WINCHENDON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, February 13, 2023
Town Hall, 4th Floor 109 Front Street, Winchendon, Mass.**

Present:

Audrey LaBrie, Chair
Amy Salter
Rick Ward
Mary Calandrella, Executive Assistant

Barbara Anderson
Danielle LaPointe
Justin Sultzbach, Town Manager

Documents:

Opioid Participation form - On File

Chair LaBrie called Executive Session@ 8:29pm, 2nd by Ward, Roll Call Vote; Salter Y, Ward Y, Anderson Y, LaPointe Y and LaBrie Y:

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 1.1. Executive session pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares: Federal Multidistrict Litigation vs. CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, Teva, and Allergan

TM Sultzbach stated that this Opioid Settlement will probably be not as large as the previous settlement but no settlement has been reached yet. Sultzbach is asking for authorization to sign the participation contract.

Motion by LaBrie to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Opioid Participation contract 2nd Salter, Roll Call Vote: Salter Y, Ward Y, Anderson Y, LaPointe Y and LaBrie Y.

- 1.2. Executive Session - M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a): Subsection 2: To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel. -Discussion on Town Manager's FY24 contract

Chair LaBrie stated that discussion on the Town Manager's FY24 contract is carried over from the 2/6/23 meeting. The Board will further discuss and ask the Town Manager and Executive Assistant to exit the meeting at 8:40 pm. The Chair will take the remaining minutes. Anderson, LaPointe and Ward presented results of their research into comparable town manager salaries. Discussion followed on where the previous town manager's salary would likely have been, and how Sultzbach's request fits into all the data presented. LaPointe motioned to offer \$160,000 for FY'24 and a non-negotiable \$170,000 plus COLA for FY'25. Motion seconded by Salter. Roll call vote was Salter Aye, Ward Aye, LaPointe Aye, Anderson No, LaBrie Aye.

ADJOURNMENT:

Anderson made motion to end executive session, seconded by Ward. Roll call vote Salter Aye, Ward Aye, LaPointe Aye, Anderson Aye, LaBrie Aye, executive session ended 9:25. Motion to adjourn made by Ward, seconded by Anderson. All aye. Meeting adjourned 9:26.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey LaBrie, Chair