



Town of Abington

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Board of Selectmen Meeting
March 28, 2013
3:00 p.m.
Cotter Room

Members present: Andy Burbine, Mike Franey, Kevin Donovan, Ken Coyle, Tom Dion

- Pledge of Allegiance

Action/Discussion items:

1. Discussion and appointment of Town Manager –

Selectman Dion expressed the high caliber of all four finalists and listed what he liked about each one. Selectman Donovan stated his two candidates were Grady Miller and Rick LaFond. He felt Rick LaFond presented stability being in Carver for 16 years, and Mr. Miller didn't have the Mass Law experience, therefore, he is voting for Rick LaFond.

Selectman Coyle stated Grady Miller and Rick LaFond were his top two finalists. Selectman Franey stressed the fact that all four were so qualified that it is a very difficult decision to make. He feels that Rick LaFond would be the candidate that would be in the best interest of our Town. Chairman Burbine felt that all were good, and his top three were Bill DiLibero, Grady Miller, and Rick LaFond.

M/Donovan to appoint Rick LaFond as Town Manager contingent upon successful contract negotiations
S/Franey

M/Coyle to nominate Grady Miller as Town Manager
S/Burbine

M/Franey to close the nominations
S/Donovan
Voted 5-0

Vote on first nomination Rick LaFond –
Donovan, yes, Dion, yes, Franey, yes
Coyle, no; Burbine, no
Voted 3-2

M/Donovan to enter into executive session for the purpose of conducting strategies in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel, specifically the Town Manager's position, and not to reconvene to open session

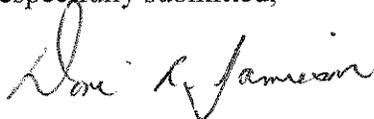
S/Franey

Dion, aye; Coyle, aye; Donovan, aye; Franey, aye; Burbine, aye

Voted 5-0

Meeting adjourned: 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dori R. Jamieson

Assistant Town Manager