

**Selectboard
June 21, 2018
Town Offices
Open Session
3:00 pm**

The open session of the Selectboard of the Town of Whately was called to order on June 21, 2018 at 3:00 pm by the Chair, Jonathan Edwards with Selectboard member Joyce Palmer-Fortune present. Town Administrator Brian Domina was also present.

Mr. Edwards opened the meeting at 3:00 PM

Mr. Domina provided the Board with a summary of the events from the prior day relating to a hazardous materials incident that occurred on Interstate 91 in Whately with the rollover of a gasoline tanker. This incident resulted in a response from the Town's emergency response services (police, fire emergency management) for approximately sixteen hours and a response from a high number of neighboring departments and state agencies. Because this event happened approximately ten days before the end of the fiscal year the budgets for those departments previously mentioned were nearly spent. For these reasons town staff consulted with the Department of Revenue ("DOR") about the ability to deficit spend these accounts. DOR staff suggested the Town through its Selectboard make an emergency declaration that would allow such deficit spending.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to declare an emergency pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 § 31 in relation to the hazardous materials incident on Interstate 91 in Whately relating to the rollover crash of a gasoline tanker. Seconded by Ms. Palmer-Fortune. The Board voted 2 – 0 to make the emergency declaration.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Brian Domina, Town Administrator

Document List:

M.G.L. c. 44 § 31