

TOWN OF DEERFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

August 23, 2006

MINUTES

1. Meeting convened at 7:30 p.m., Deerfield Municipal Offices.
2. Present: J.P. Paciorek, C.S. Ness, B. Kubiak
Absent: M. Gilmore
3. Steven Cody of Western Massachusetts Emergency Medical Service, as part of a Department of Public Health initiative to raise the survivability rate of people that have or will experience cardiac arrest or other heart related injuries, presented the HeartSafe Community Award. He praised the Town of Deerfield for their commitment to raising the level of Emergency Medical Services staff qualifications, education and training of employees, and use of defibrillators in the workplace. The plaque was accompanied by two street signs, to be placed at town borders to announcing Deerfield's award. The Board of Selectmen accepted the award on behalf of the Town of Deerfield, congratulated and thanked EMS staff, and also thanked S. Cody and his superiors for recognition of the Town's hard work.
4. Past meeting minutes were discussed:
 - A. The Board reviewed the following items:
 - C.S. Ness motioned to accept as submitted minutes from March 15, 2006, J.P. Paciorek seconded; unan. approved.
 - J.P. Paciorek noted on the March 29, 2006 minutes that a spelling error ("AIDS" misspelled) should be corrected. C.S. Ness motioned to accept these minutes with the correction, J.P. Paciorek seconded; unan. approved.
 - C.S. Ness motioned to approve minutes from April 19, 2006 as submitted, J.P. Paciorek seconded; unan. approved.
 - J.P. Paciorek motioned to approve revised minutes from May 3, 2006, C.S. Ness seconded; unan. approved.
 - J.P. Paciorek motioned to approve revised minutes from July 12, 2005, C.S. Ness seconded; unan. approved.

- J.P. Paciorek motioned to accept revised minutes of July 14, 2006 with the addition of Rita's last name (B. Kubiak will add), C.S. Ness seconded; unan. approved.
 - B. Kubiak noted that issues discussed in the July 26, 2006 Executive Session minutes are still unresolved, so those minutes continue to be sealed. C.S. Ness motioned to accept regular session minutes of same date, J.P. Paciorek seconded; unan. approved.
 - J.P. Paciorek requested minutes from August 9, 2006 be placed on hold, pending his review.
- B. There were no public comments.
- C. J.P. Paciorek invited the Board to note any comments they had. There were none.
- D. Announcements:
 - Hazardous Waste Collection Day is September 9, 2006. Registration must be completed by September 1, 2006. Residents may call the Selectmen's Office to request a form be mailed, or they may contact the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District. J.P. Paciorek requested a registration form be put in his box.
 - Magic Wings hosts a Blood Drive on August 24, 2006.
- E. In order to increase membership on the Deerfield Economic Development & Industrial Corporation, J.P. Paciorek motioned to appoint Frank Sherburne to the committee, C.S. Ness seconded unan. approved.
- F. The Board reviewed the License Agreement proposed by Oxford Foods, LLC allowing the Town to utilize their property to reach the Highway Garage. B. Kubiak noted that Town Counsel, after review, had some concerns. E. Pepyne Jr. suggested Section 9 is too broad and that the 10 day notice of termination of property use at Oxford's prerogative results in an adverse effect to the Town. J.P. Paciorek questioned this short time period as well. He noted that the Town has utilized the property for 30+ years without benefit of a formal agreement. J.P. Paciorek understands the necessity of having a formal agreement, but the wording of this draft is not beneficial to the Town. He also objects to the clause stating the Town would have to pay any license fees. He supports serious negotiations, but not this agreement.

C.S. Ness requested further research, adding that she would prefer M. Bobrowski to review and rewrite the agreement with greater advocacy for Deerfield.

- G. J.P. Paciorek motioned to authorize the Chair of the Board of Selectmen to sign insurance documents related to real property acquisitions as part of the Emergency Watershed Protection Project, C.S. Ness seconded, unan. approved. This documentation will prove that the Town controls the property. B. Kubiak advised the Board that this information would be sent to NRCS. DEP has given the Town a project number with which to begin work.
- H. The Selectmen reviewed Chapter 90 Reimbursement requests and a Project Request. C.S. Ness motioned to approve and sign the Reimbursement Requests for roadwork completed, J.P. Paciorek seconded; unan. approved. B. Kubiak informed the Board that the Project Request is for \$15,000, the Town's 12.5% match to anticipated FEMA reimbursement funds for the Lower Road repairs.
- I. Transfer Station:
 - A. B. Kubiak submitted the list of approvals to receive waivers and/or abatement of the Transfer Station Fines. He invited the Board to comment. He then presented a spreadsheet showing revenue of the Transfer Station versus the Town's subsidy of it. Current subsidy is \$150,000 of the Transfer Station budget. Bulky item box—as part of a study by the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District—activity has increased without an increase in revenue, resulting in a cost of \$68,000 per year. B. Kubiak will continue to research the issue, at per the Selectmen's request, with an eye to trimming costs for the bulky item box. He suggested a ban on construction debris, the province of the Board of Health.
 - B. B. Kubiak noted for the Board that one alternative for construction debris disposal is use of the Greenfield Transfer Station. A day pass is required, in addition to costs detailed in Greenfield Transfer Station's fee schedule.
- J. The Selectmen thanked the Senior Center, staff, volunteers, and participating businesses that contributed to the Senior Picnic. It was easily the best picnic to date. They requested thank you notes be sent to the following businesses and people: Holiday Pizza, Georgios, China Gourmet, Wolfie's, Magic Wings, Elm Farm Bakery, Rice Oil

Company, Fifields, Pasiecznik's Farm, Ciesluk's Farm, M & M Produce, Chandler's Tavern, students at Frontier Regional School, Jan Filarey, Sharyn Paciorek, Sheriff MacDonald, Elsie Kolakoski, and Nancy Paciorek. The Selectmen, for future events, would like to see guests donate to the event, but think seniors should eat for free.

5. C.S. Ness motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 pm pending signing of the Warrant, J.P. Paciorek seconded, unan. approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayce D. Warren
Administrative Assistant

☐ Approved ☐ Not approved

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Corrections: _____

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