

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Minutes – October 24, 2012

Present: Selectmen: Carolyn Shores Ness, Elizabeth Clarke Absent: Mark Gilmore
Executive Administrative Assistant: Kayce Warren

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Minutes: None were approved, although Ms. Ness wanted to be sure that the September 26 minutes mentioned that Shelburne Control is using the State Police version of Hunter cad and she wants to be sure the Deerfield Police have capacity to use that program.

Public Comments: Present: John Baronas

Mr. Baronas spoke of his efforts to do something about improving the parking area at the bottom of Mt. Sugarloaf. He presented material that he has acquired from the several owners of the property including DCR, MassDOT, and WMECO and requested that the Board submit letters of support to the above named agencies. The Board agreed to do this. He will also speak with Shawn Patterson, the Town's highway superintendent, about some of his ideas.

Selectmen's Comments/Announcements: Ms. Ness said that if residents have not received a practice **CodeRed** message they should check to see if they are enrolled. People can enroll themselves by going on-line. There is a computer set up in Town Hall for this purpose.

Ms. Clarke reminded that there is a **Special Town Meeting** on November 7th. Most items are housekeeping in nature.

State Elections are November 6, 2012.

Board of Health Comments/ Announcements: Ms. Ness reminded that not all mosquitoes are dead. Ticks are still active.

Appearances before the Board/ Hearings:

Tilton Library: present- Sara Woodbury, Director, and Nancy Maynard, Trustee
Marion Barnes, who has been a dedicated Trustee for 27 years, has resigned. A letter of thanks and appreciation will be sent to her. The Trustees requested that Satu Zoller be appointed to fill the vacant elected position until the annual election. **Ms. Clarke made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ness, and voted, to grant that request.**

Fuel Storage hearing: A hearing scheduled regarding the storage of LP gas (propane) at the Conway Road Neighbors was canceled when it was learned that a hearing was not required. (See attached email)

Alina's Restaurant: BYOB request: Present - Richard Calisewski

The new owners of Alina's are in the process of obtaining a liquor license. In the interim they would like to allow patrons to provide their own beer or wine. Mr. Calisewski's only concern was that patrons may not leave with open containers. Surplus liquids need to be disposed of on site. He suggested a notice on the door and a card on the menu to make customers aware. Ms. Ness felt TIP training should be required. A hearing date for the liquor license was set for 6:30 PM on November 14th.

Mutual Aid Agreement: Present- John Paciorek and Shawn Patterson

Both gentlemen discussed the state-wide mutual aid agreement (MGL Chapter 40 §4J and §4K) that became available in 2010. The agreement spells out responsibilities of those requesting aid and those providing same. In order to participate the Board of Selectmen need to formally vote to participate, and sign the agreement, which then needs to be forwarded to MEMA. **Ms Ness made a motion, seconded by Ms. Clarke, and voted to accept MGL Chapter 40, sections 4J and 4K for state-wide mutual aid for public safety and public works.** Board members signed the agreements. This will be put on the Open Items List to be sure it is completed.

Update on Hurricane “Sandy”: Mr. Patterson said that both he and Chief Paciorek are new to town and at their jobs. They want to be prepared for this potentially dangerous storm. The storm is not expected until next week leaving plenty of time for a meeting of key town emergency persons on Friday to discuss preparations. At this point the public needs to be aware and take measures to be prepared. Ms. Ness will contact Shelburne and Buckland to enlist their assistance in encouraging TransCanada to activate its emergency plan to draw down water ahead of time. CodeRed will be a useful tool this time.

Thank you: Mr. Paciorek requested a thank you to Mike Krusiewski for his excellent job during the search for a new chief. Ms. Ness wanted to thank Kevin Scarborough for his work at the dispensing clinic held at the Yankee Candle site. Ms. Warren suggested that Mike Phillips should be thanked too for stepping in when Hap left; he took on a great deal of responsibility and handled it well.

Discussion/Decision Items:

Set Sewer Rate: A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Ms. Ness, and voted, to approve the \$5.42/1,000 sewer rate for the 2013 billing cycle. This is a reduction from the previous billing cycle.

Cultural Council: A motion was made by Ms. Ness, seconded by Ms. Clarke, and voted, to appoint Reba-Jean Shaw-Pichette to the Cultural Council. Ms. Ness reported that Reba-Jean has done a lot to revitalize the Council. Having served three two year terms, she had to cycle off for a year. The Board is pleased to have her back.

Open Meeting List: Briefly reviewed

Tilton Library: The bid opening for Tilton Library Steps will be held on October 25th at 1:00 pm in Town Hall.

Tax Classification Hearing: The Assessors have requested a classification hearing on November 7 immediately following the Special Town Meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Ms. Ness, and voted, to adjourn with the signing of the warrant.

Respectfully submitted,
Priscilla Phelps
BOS minutes 10/24/12

Attachments; Mutual Aid “Opt-in” form
BYOB requirements
E-mail from Bill Swasey – fuel storage

Open Items List