

**Dunstable Board of Selectmen**

**Meeting Minutes, Monday 17 April, 2012**

**Called to order 7:00pm. Present Walter Alterisio, Ken Leva, and Daniel Devlin.**

The board was joined by Chief of Police James Downes and members of the department to present Ryan Koles, a proposed permanent member to the department. Among his qualifications are an Academy Graduate, Service as a reserve officer with the Towns of Billerica and Tyngsborough which he intends to resign if appointed as a full time officer. Some questions were exchanged from the board after which Chief Downes formally submitted Ryan to be appointed full time officer to the department. Motion to accept the recommendation by Mr. Leva, second by Mr. Devlin passed.

Meeting to clarify elements of the proposed increase to Health Insurance for 2012-2013 with Police Union was scheduled with selectmen and Bonnie Ricardelli.

Fee Hearing for Electrical Permits was scheduled and ready for publication to be held April 30, 2012.

The board met to discuss ongoing activities with regard to Goss Farm and advertised intent to proceed with a "Sharp Shooter" event. Mr. and Mrs. Goss were present along with legal counsel and members of New England Six Shooters as well as members of the community in support of the intended activity. Mr. and Mrs. Gurecki abutters in opposition were also in attendance.

Mr. Goss presented a petition signed by area residents in support of the scheduled events. He submitted that rather than hold the event under the terms of an agricultural exemption, as was previously presented, he believed just being a private landowner allowed him to hold such an event as a social gathering. Mr. Stephen Armato, Vice President of New England Six Shooters, described an overview of the event which intended to promote skill and sportsmanship and not the perceived wild west show as previously mentioned. The event usually runs between 10 am and 3 pm with prizes awarded to the participants. Safety is primary over a restricted course to both participants and invited guests.

After discussion from a number of parties present it was agreed to allow the Town Building Inspector, specifically Mr. Harry Cullinan, Alternate Inspector to observe an event, and through the existing town bylaws, make a determination as to the status of the event.

Warrants were reviewed and signed. Meeting was adjourned 9:25pm.

Submitted by Walter Alterisio, Chairman