

Minutes: Selectmen's Meeting: Monday, April 1, 2013

Present: Chairman Kenneth J. Leva and Walter F. Alterisio, Clerk;
Daniel F. Devlin Procurement Officer and Member absent

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with quorum present. Selectman Alterisio presented minutes for 1/28, 2/4, 2/11 only one with full board. Those and the minutes for 3/25 were tabled until full board present for approval.

Selectman Alterisio inquired whether BOS had submitted a budget to the advisory. Chairman Leva reported he'd already submitted, and will represent the Board on Wednesday night with Advisory, since the Board isn't posted to permit the board's participation in Advisory's meeting. Tina Livingston reviewed background on the Lyme Disease and its effect on her family and many of her neighbors for Chairman Leva who'd missed her original visit. She noted her purpose is to prevent the disease so that other families don't have the same exposure and results and her family. She'd like to hang green ribbons on Town Hall, on the gazebo and Larter Field. She advised on the signs that are available and Chairman Leva showed them to the camera. Notification was sent to the Board of Health requesting their consideration for presentation on the subject. Selectman Alterisio and Chairman Leva supported placement of the ribbons on the Town Hall, bandstand, etc. Selectman Alterisio also suggested putting a banner on the gazebo so it attracts attention. Secretary was asked if she could put the notice on cable. Selectman Alterisio also suggested that Dunstable put a proclamation together declaring the month of May as Lyme Awareness Month and place a notice on the town website of Lyme Awareness Month. She also suggested that affected residents put a green ribbon on their mailbox during Lyme Awareness Month. The board extended their support and authorized her to let the Board of Health know they're supporting her efforts.

The board briefly reviewed the police chief's updated FY2014 budget information which will be reviewed further by Fincom at their next meeting.

The Board reviewed Gail Barker's application for banner for her son who's coming home from deployment; banner content: Welcome Home Michael - Thank you for your service & his picture. The issue of banners was discussed briefly and safety concerns etc. will be reviewed at a later date. Selectman Alterisio offered motion to approve, 2nd and voted with both in favor. Secretary will forward to BORC.

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Selectman Alterisio advised that he'd spoken with Dave Sweet who advised that there were bills submitted that were for service provided in June of last year. Selectman Alterisio continued to attempt to evaluate the billing referenced, when the service was rendered – was it an original as long as it doesn't exceed the appropriation within the budget, if it's private landowner problem, don't know if the town will ever authorize;

Selectman Alterisio advised that while secretary was out the draft for salt shed bid was reviewed, but some portions didn't comply with MGL provisions for that type of bid. Chairman Leva noted that something like that should have a review automatically – left to have NMCOG review and then drop in the type of language that would bring it into compliance and look at whether it needed to be re-issued. Other item that came up was that an individual has repaired the fence at the town pound materials was like \$110.00. Invoice/slip will be processed once presented. The Board can find a way to thank the person who made the repair, and see that arrangements are made for reimbursement being issued.

Tina Livingston returned to advise the Board of Health has asked her to provide a story on what's happened to her family and they'll endorse it. She reminded the Board of the Lyme Awareness presentation at the State House on April 29th and extended invitations to the Board.

The board was reminded that ballot questions are due to Town Clerk by 5PM on April 16th and the board indicated in observance of Patriots Day, the board will not be meeting on April 15th or that week unless something comes up in the interim.

Treasurer's warrants were reviewed and signed, and meeting adjourned at 7:40PM after appropriate motion and vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Danice N. Palumbo,
Board Secretary