

The weekly meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Joseph L. Miksch, Clerk; Robert M. Condon; Brian Connors; George Samia, Town Administrator; Catherine Johnson, Administrative Assistant

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Re-Organization

M/Condon, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Joseph L. Miksch as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

M/Miksch, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Robert Condon as Clerk of the Board of Selectmen

M/Condon, s/Miksch, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Brian Connors as the third member of the Board of Selectmen.

Appointment

John Haines, DPW Director; Tom Reynolds, Operations Manager; Rob Kenn, Highway & Grounds Superintendent and Scott McCann, Water Superintendent were present to answer questions previously raised from town residents.

Mr. Haines gave a Power Point presentation outlining the development of the DPW, including significant accomplishments of the DPW, a DPW cost benefit analysis and division roles and responsibilities of the DPW.

Mr. Haines, et al took questions from the audience, as well as heard concerns of the citizens present.

Mr. Samia gave a cost analysis of the DPW vs. other offices, as well as listing savings through the re-organization structure of the DPW.

Action Items

M/Miksch, s/Condon, a unanimous vote, approve the minutes of the April 5, 2011 meeting.
Abstain: Connors

M/Condon, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the request of Maryann Roan and the Historical Commission to have a Civil War commemorative parade on April 23, 2011 as part of the Sixth Annual C. Frank Harlow Day Celebration. The parade route will be from the Town Common, down Plymouth Street to Sachem Rock Farm.

M/Condon, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the appointment of Cathy Johnson to the Historical Commission, effective immediately through June 30, 2013.

M/Condon, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the following amendments to the December 14, 2010 meeting minutes:

From: M/Condon, s/Miksch, a unanimous vote, approve the request of the Senior Center Building Committee to place an article, presented by Chairman DeAngelo, on the February 7, 2011 warrant as follows:

To: M/Condon, s/Miksch, a unanimous vote, approve the request of the Senior Center Building Committee to place a question, presented by Chairman DeAngelo, on the February 12, 2011 ballot as follows:

Town Administrator Report

Mr. Samia made a suggestion to the Board that they re-schedule the Annual Town Meeting to June 6, 2011, due to the budget figures being unavailable to date.

M/Condon, s/Connors, a unanimous vote, approve the re-scheduling of the Annual and Special Town Meeting from May 9, 2011 to June 6, 2011.

Mr. Samia suggested the Board make department liaison appointment in the near future.

Mr. Samia explained to the Board that he has received a couple of phone calls regarding the re-appointment process of Inspectors in the Planning/Building Department. Mr. Samia suggested having Mr. Gardner in to discuss the re-appointment process.

Board Discussions

M/Connors, s/Condon, a unanimous vote, as of July 1, 2011 moving the Board of Selectmen's meeting from Tuesday nights to Monday nights.

Mr. Connors recommended the Board instruct the Town Administrator to hire a special investigator to look into the bill for the removal of snow from the town's school roofs.

M/Connors, s/Condon, a unanimous vote, approve the recommendation of Mr. Connors to instruct the Town Administrator to hire a special investigator to look into the bill for the removal of snow from the town's school roofs.

Reminders

The Board of Health and the Police Department will be holding a "Drug Take Back Day" on Saturday, April 30th from 10-2 at which time residents from East Bridgewater as well as surrounding communities can turn in unused prescription medications. More specific details will be released within the week and will be forwarded to our local cable channel, the town website, the enterprise and posted throughout the community.

The Board of Health will hold a Rabies Clinic for Cats and Dogs on Monday June 20th from 5:30-7:30 at the Town Hall. The cost will be \$10.00 per animal and Dr. Bonnie MacArthur will administer the vaccine.

Contact 508-378-1642 or smulloy@ebmass.com with questions regarding both events.

Open Forum

Numerous members of the audience expressed their concerns in the following areas:

1. Board of Selectmen policies and procedures
2. Independent investigation of the recent violation of procurement laws.
3. Transparency within the Town Government.

Mr. Derik Larson from the DPW was present to inform the Board on a personnel matter.

M/Condon, s/Connors, motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Yes – Miksch, Condon, Connors; a unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm

Board of Selectmen Clerk