

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S SPECIAL MEETING  
MARCH 17, 2008

Present: Selectmen Glenn Trindade, Dennis Crowley, Richard Dunne, Andrew Espinosa and John Foresto and Administrative Services Assistant, Celeste Hanson were present. Town Administrator, Suzanne Kennedy did not join the meeting until 8:50 p.m.

7:02 p.m. – Chairman Trindade called the meeting to order in Sanford Hall of Town Hall. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Public Comments:*** None.

***Approve and sign warrant:***

- Selectman Foresto moved that the Board approve and sign warrant number thirty seven (37) for fiscal year '08 as read in the total amount of \$1,940,783.48; Selectman Dunne seconded; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

***Approval of Minutes:***

- Selectman Dunne moved that the Board accept and approve Selectmen's meeting minutes of January 14, 2008; seconded by Selectman Espinosa; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

***Discussion of Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles:***

**Board of Health:**

- Mr. William Fisher, Health Agent was present to answer questions regarding warrant articles four (4) and five (5) submitted by the Board of Health for inclusion on the May 12, 2008 annual town meeting warrant.
- Mr. Fisher indicated that article five (5) is requesting authorization to purchase a used loader for the Solid Waste Recycling Center. The funds utilized to purchase the equipment will be from the Solid Waste Surplus Account. Mr. Fisher indicated that the current loader is actually a DPS vehicle that is in need of replacement due to mechanical issues. The parties entered into a discussion. The Selectmen stated that they would like to speak with Director D'Amico regarding replacement and sharing of the loader.
- The parties entered into a discussion regarding warrant article four (4). Mr. Fisher indicated that this article is the Solid Waste budget article. Selectman Crowley suggested that an adjustment be made to the recycling fee and bag revenue appropriations.

**Water/Sewer:**

- Water Sewer Superintendent, Mark Flaherty was present to answer questions regarding articles three (3), six (6) and seven (7) submitted by the Board of Water Sewer Commissioners for inclusion on the May 12, 2008 annual town meeting warrant. Superintendent Flaherty explained the purpose of the three warrant articles, the parties entered into a discussion. There were no recommended changes to the warrant articles.

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**Planning Board:**

- Planning Board Chairman, Andy Rodenhiser and Planning Board Assistant, Susy Affleck-Childs were present to review and discuss warrant articles sixteen (16) through twenty-nine (29) submitted for inclusion on the May 12, 2008 annual town meeting warrant. Mrs. Affleck-Childs provided the parties with a handout entitled Medway Town Meeting Warrant Articles Overview which provided a synopsis of the warrant articles. The parties reviewed the warrant articles and the "overview" handout. The Board also reviewed several proposed 43D site plans as well as the town zoning map. There were no recommended changes to the warrant articles.

**Business Signs on Town Owned Property Discussion:**

- Planning Board Chairman, Andy Rodenhiser and Planning Board Assistant, Susy Affleck-Childs were present to discuss the Business Signs on Town Owned Property.
- Chairman Rodenhiser stated that several months ago, several informal discussions were conducted regarding the possibility of amending the Medway Zoning Bylaw to permit the installation of business sponsorship signs in the outdoor athletic areas/fields located at the Medway High School as a means of generating revenues for the school system. Currently, there is no established policy on how to manage business signage on public property for corporate sponsors/donations to the Town. The Planning Board is recommending that the Selectmen establish a task force to include representatives from the Department of Public Services, Board of Selectmen, School Committee/Department, Planning Board, Design Review Committee and Medway Business Council.
- The parties entered into a brief discussion.
- Selectman Dunne moved that the Selectmen establish a Business Sign Task Force to include representatives from the Department of Public Services, Board of Selectmen, School Committee/Department, Planning Board, Design Review Committee and Medway Business Council as recommended by the Planning Board; seconded by Selectman Espinosa; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

**Other Business:**

- Chairman Trindade moved that Board open the May 12, 2008, Annual Town Meeting Warrant; seconded by Selectman Dunne; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).
- Chairman Trindade moved that the Board approve and add a warrant article to raise, appropriate or transfer available funds in the amount of \$326,447 in order to operate the Ambulance Enterprise Fund, said warrant article will be numbered eight (8) on the May 12, 2008 Annual Town Meeting Warrant; seconded by Selectman Espinosa; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

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- Chairman Trindade moved that the Board approve and add a warrant article to raise, appropriate, borrow pursuant to any applicable statute or transfer available funds in the amount of \$5,000 under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53I for the purpose of appropriating funds for the celebration of Medway's 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its incorporation, said warrant article will be numbered eleven (11) on the May 12, 2008 Annual Town Meeting Warrant; seconded by Selectman Dunne; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).
- Chairman Trindade moved that the Board close the May 12, 2008, Annual Town Meeting Warrant; seconded by Selectman Crowley; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

***Report of the Town Administrator:***

- Administrator Kennedy stated that she did not attend the beginning part of the Selectmen's meeting because she has been serving on the School Superintendent Search Committee. Administrator Kennedy indicated that she found the task to be very informative.
- Administrator Kennedy announced that Fire Chief, Wayne Vinton has submitted written notification of his intent to retire at the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2008). Administrator Kennedy thanked Fire Chief Vinton for his fifteen (15) years of service to the Town. Administrator Kennedy stated that she is looking forward to working with a group to assess the department's operation.

***Reports of the Selectmen:***

- Selectman Crowley requested that the Town Administrator provide an up to date accounting of the CPC funds.
- Selectman Dunne, Espinosa and Foresto did not have reports.

***Report of the Chairman:***

- Chairman Trindade instructed the Administrative Services Assistant to schedule the selection of the Route 109 Improvement Task Force Committee at the next selectmen's meeting.
- Chairman Trindade also announced that he received news that the legislature had approved the town's proposed charter and that it is headed to the Governor for his signature.

9:10 p.m. There being no further business to discuss, Selectman Espinosa moved that the meeting be adjourned; Selectman Dunne seconded; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Respectfully submitted,  
Celeste Hanson  
Administrative Services Assistant