

FINAL MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN MEETING
October 6, 2008

Present: Chairman Glenn Trindade, Selectmen Andrew Espinosa, Dennis Crowley, Rich Dunne and John Foresto, Town Administrator, Suzanne Kennedy and Board Secretary, Wendy Harrington was present.

Absent:

7:06 p.m. – Chairman Trindade called the Selectmen’s meeting to order in Medway High School Cable Studio

Public Comments: None.

November Election Warrant: Mary Jane White, Town Clerk:

Town Clerk White presented the presidential election warrant for the selectmen to individually sign. There was no need for a motion.

Hydraulic Flushing Model: Paul Sirois, Tata & Howard:

Mr. Sirois presented a Flushing Model which is similar to a nation wide program. Zones have been mapped out and presented on a town map. Flushing will begin in the fall and continue weather permitting. The program will start again in the spring. Work will be contracted out as the needs require and Mr. Flaherty explained the possibility of value damage during the process. The expense for this process will come from money transferred into the emergency water fund. There will be a request on the Fall Town Meeting Warrant to transfer additional funds so that this will be then covered by from reserve funds.

The selectmen requested a full presentation by AP Associates be placed on the October 20, 2008 agenda. A discussion with Tata & Howard on their contract, as well as information on the rate study, budget and engineers report on Populatic Street well should also be scheduled for discussion at that meeting.

It was noted that any decisions on a new tank, replacement, etc. are the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen and DEP, with input from the employees/staff. The final decision would be through Town meeting.

Chlorination update Mark Flaherty, Water Superintendent:

Chlorination will continue throughout the fall flushing process. DEP has been contacted by Mr. Flaherty several times and DEP will determine whether chlorination will continue or decrease at the conclusion of flushing. DEP is aware that flushing will be done in segments, partially this fall and then continuing in the spring of 2009. Mr. Flaherty has not received anything in writing from DEP. The selectmen have asked that Administrator Kennedy look into this matter and obtain expectations from DEP in written form and report at the October 20, 2008 meeting.

Naming of square in town after Lt. Ian McVey: Anthony Matrianni, Veteran’s Agent and Col. Michael Matondi, Medway Memorial Commission:

Initially Col. Matondi was requesting, on behalf of the Memorial Commission that a square in town be named in honor of Lt. Ian McVey, who was killed during his time of service in a motor vehicle accident. Colonel Matondi explained the criteria the Medway Memorial Commission has set for naming such a square. At this time the Memorial Commission is not moving forward in naming a square. They will most likely request to rename Monument Square to Memorial Square.

Emergency Transfer Request for Veterans Service: Anthony Mastrianni, Veteran's Agent:
Mr. Mastrianni, as Veteran's Agent, is requesting an ETR in the amount of \$7,685.00. This request is to appropriate funds to the veteran benefit program. This program helps to fund Ch 115 benefits, which was established to help veterans in need.

Selectman Dunne moved that the board approve the ETR \$7,685.00 to Veteran's Services; Selectman Espinosa seconded; no discussion, all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Open of fall town meeting Warrant:

Selectman Espinosa moved that the board open the fall town meeting warrant; Selectman Dunne seconded; no discussion, all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Addition of two articles to the fall town meeting Warrant:

Administrator Kennedy read the following article:

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section One of Chapter 137 of the Acts of 2003, which provides that town employees in the national guard or reserve that are called to active service in the armed forces shall not lose seniority and certain other benefits, and will be entitled to the difference between his or her base salary as a town employee and the amount received from the United States as pay for military service or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectman Crowley moved that the board accept the warrant article as read and include this article in the fall town meeting warrant; Selectman Dunne seconded; no discussion all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Selectman Crowley moved that the following article is included in the fall town meeting warrant; *to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the remaining funds previously appropriated under Article 9 of the May 14, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, which approved borrowing for the purpose of painting the Highland Street tank, and raise, appropriate, or borrow a sum of money for the demolition and replacement of the Highland Street water tank or act in any manner relating there to;* Selectman Espinosa seconded; Discussion: Selectman Dunne doesn't like the wording; 4-1 (voted)

After a brief discussion it was agreed that this is a place holder and the final article could be worded differently and a final version will be discussed at the 10/20/08 Selectman's meeting.

Closing of fall town meeting Warrant:

Selectman Foresto moved that the board close the fall town meeting warrant as amended; Selectman Dunne seconded; no discussion; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Bylaw Committee Appointments:

Hold for the October 20, 2008 meeting

Parking Clerk Appointment:

Administrator Kennedy recommended that the board appoint Kim Shorrey, Assistant Treasurer/Collector as the parking clerk.

Selectman Crowley moved that the board appoint Kim Shorrey as parking clerk; Selectman Foresto seconded; no discussion; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Handicap Ramp Installation:

This contract is for the cement work to be done in order to install handicap accessible crosswalks on Route 109 and Village Street. Lines have been painted and curb cuts are now being worked. The source of funds for this project is from a fund that developers can contribute to, should they choose to not install sidewalks in residential neighborhoods.

Selectman Crowley moved that the board authorize the chairman to execute a contract for the 109 handicap ramps with Kelley Corporation; Selectman Dunne seconded; discussion: Selectman Crowley requested that future contracts include a monetary amount awarded; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

HOPE Worldwide Charity tollbooth fundraiser: Frank and Sharon McComb;

Mr. and Mrs. McComb have requested the authorization to hold a tollbooth fundraiser at Route 109 and Main Street on October 18, 2008. After discussions with Chief Tingley it was agreed that this location would cause safety and traffic issues.

Selectman Espinosa moved that the board allow Mr. and Mrs. McComb to run a tollbooth charity fundraiser at a “to be determined” site, with the Chief’s approval, for Hope Worldwide; Selectman Foresto seconded; no discussion; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

Lease of Equipment-Inserter Machine:

This is a lease for an inserter machine. Town Counsel has approved the lease of \$3,600.00 per year which was approved at Town Meeting.

Selectman Foresto moved that the board enter into a contract for a lease of an inserter machine with contract details specified in the contract; Selectman Espinosa seconded; discussion: Selectman Dunne abstained due to a business relationship with the company; all ayes 4-0 (voted).

Approve and sign warrant:

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board approve and sign warrant twelve (14) dated October 9, 2008 as read by Selectman Crowley as Town bills \$166,474.34, School bills \$240,621.99, Gross payroll town \$92,924.36, total amount of \$500,020.69; Selectman Dunne seconded; no discussion; all ayes 5-0-0 (voted).

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Hold for discussion and approval for the October 20, 2008 meeting.

Town Administrator’s Report:

Defer to October 20, 2008 meeting

Selectmen’s Report:

Selectman Dunne- nothing to report

Selectman Espinosa- nothing to report

Selectman Foresto- nothing to report

Selectman Crowley- would like an update on the Choate park allocated funds, documents at the back of the room for guests at Selectmen's meetings and a discussion put on the October 20, 2008 agenda to discuss a implementing a freeze on hiring in the town due to the current US financial situation.

Dog Hearing:

It should be noted that although the parties involved in this case were not present, Selectman Foresto was made aware that the party was unable to gain access into the cable studio for the hearing. The hearing will be continued to the October 20, 2008 agenda and put on the agenda at 7pm. Dog Officer Hamlin asked that a letter stating such be hand delivered by a Medway Police Officer. Administrator Kennedy requested that a certified letter also be sent to the party involved.

8:50pm There being no further business to discuss Chairman Trindade moved that the regular session meeting be adjourned and the Selectmen enter into Executive Session not to return to open session for reason number three "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation..." Selectman Crowley seconded; Roll call vote: Espinosa-aye; Crowley-aye; Trindade-aye; Dunne-no; Foresto-aye; all ayes 4-1 (voted)

The next regular session of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for October 20, 2008 at 7:00pm in Sanford Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Harrington
Board of Selectmen Secretary
*Minutes approved 10/27/08