

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING FINAL  
April 28, 2009 6:00 pm  
School Committee Room, Medway Middle School

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

**Absent:** Selectman Richard Dunne and Andy Espinosa were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:07pm and there was no public comment.

***Industrial Park Water Main Update-Greg Eldridge, Haley & Ward***

The Selectmen directed Haley & Ward to change the water main size from an 8" to a 12" main. Bid award is to CN Corp. and Town Counsel will submit the Town's typical contract. Selectman Crowley reviewed the original estimate of \$293,000. Mr. Eldridge explained additional drainage was necessary and an additional expense of \$60,000 was added to the estimate.

**Selectman Crowley moved that the Board authorize the Chairman to execute the Award Letter for the Industrial Park Water Main to CN Corp which was designed by Haley & Ward in the sum of \$314,413.15; Selectman Foresto seconded; no discussion; all ayes 3-0.**

***SCADA Update-Greg Eldridge, Haley & Ward***

Selectman Foresto asked for an update to the SCADA contract. Administrator Kennedy explained this project is in limbo at the present time and further discussion with Town Counsel is required. The SCADA project is a logical extension of the current project. Selectman Crowley needs to contact the Attorney General's office to follow-up.

Selectman Crowley asked to clarify that the wells were paid for from a bond. The project is under budget. The SCADA project will be paid for with the money left over from the bond.

Administrator Kennedy reviewed the FY School Budget Analysis and Projection documents.

The board discussed reducing the school budget by \$235,172 (a nonrecurring for a reading program) and also by \$88,884, (IT Director salary, due to the way the charter is written) and moves both expenses to the town side

Administrator explained that the Level funded and the non-recurring revised appropriation is \$21,735,938. This is a 12.68% increase over required net school spending. This is greater than 2008 but it is comparable to 2009 at 12.6%.

The board reviewed the Town of Medway FY2010 Budget Overview 4/21/09 Revised budget (\$255,226) adding the police career incentive (\$5,790.00) health insurance.

The Chairman chose to release this information tonight and wants it on record. Fellow present board members don't agree.

Selectman Crowley didn't want a discussion to take place regarding exact figures, as the full board is not present. Chairman Trindade asked that a copy be made available for all present (SC and Superintendent) and asked that it be marked as a draft. Administrator Kennedy explained that the document hasn't been reviewed nor presented to the Finance Committee.

Administrator Kennedy offered her concern that there will be a large gap in 2012; while Selectman Foresto asked the big question of what can we do now to help the problems. He also explained that it will be necessary to be cautious on contract award amounts and union negotiations in the near future. Chairman Trindade explained that Medway should be contacting other towns to see what they are doing. Selectman Crowley explained that fiscally we're in a somewhat better position than other communities, so what they are doing, isn't really comparing apples to apples.

The board began discussions on what to do with free cash. Selectman Crowley believes it's better to put free cash into a stabilization account or put it into another account. He also believes there is enough free cash and additional funds that we can help fund a deficit in 2012 and do some infrastructure changes. He is not recommending that, but the funds are there to if that's what is decided.

Administrator Kennedy explained the free cash timeline and believes that the Free Cash discussion needs to take place on 5/1. Stabilization accounts, per DOR can be set up for a myriad of things, as many as you desire. Chairman Trindade believes that stabilization should stay safe and not be touched unless an extreme dire emergency.

Selectman Crowley explained that the Tier 1 list of roads should get done, once we receive the Ch90 money, maybe some of the Tier 2 roads will get done as well.

Administrator Kennedy offered that the Selectmen should be aware that the proposed budget did not include any capital on the warrant, and did not include the \$500-700K for Shaw Street. She explained that for some warrant articles her staff hasn't figured out where funding is coming from yet. Those discussions should be held on Friday.

***There being no further business to discuss at 7:00pm, Chairman Trindade moved that the Board adjourn their meeting and proceed into a joint meeting with the School Committee; Selectman Foresto seconded; no discussion; all ayes. 3-0.***

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Harrington  
Executive Assistant  
\*Approved 7/13/09