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# TOWN OF MILLBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING- SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM

June 23, 2015 7:00 pm

Present:

Board of Selectmen: Francis B. King; Sandy Cristo; Mary Krumsiek, Brian M. Ashmankas; William Borowski; Town Manager, Bob Spain, Edd Cote, Tom

Riley and other concerned citizens

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## PUBLIC ACCESS DIRECTOR

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# **COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES**

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Todd Sprague

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

Jude T. Cristo

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried 4-0-1 (Selectman Cristo abstained)

# CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL serving 2/3 year terms = 6 years

Linda Donovan

Richard Patterson

Jeffrey Gould

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo. Motion carried unanimously.

# **DOROTHY POND RESTORATION COMMITTEE**

Kenneth I. Schold

Jeffrey W. Gardner

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY-AUXILIARY POLICE**

Mark Dyberg, Asst. Director

Fabrizio Bordo

Walter Swenson, Jr

Ronald A. Tranter

Paul T. DiCicco

Jeffrey A. Kozlowksi

Todd Army

Julie Sutherland

Benjamin Holmes

Victor Irr

Tom C. LaVallee

Neal Morrissey

Karen Murray

Gary Gagne

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

E. Bernard Plante

Kevin Plante

Michelle Desorcy

Chief Kenney A. Howell

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

## INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Carol A. Schroeder - Retiree Rep.

Denise Marlborough - Dept. Mgrs. Supervisors Rep

Kathy Adams – School Cafeteria Rep.

Eric Dempsey - SEIU #888 School Cust. Cafeteria Rep

Ann Kach - Teacher's Assoc. Rep

Regina A. Markey – GEU Local 5- Clerks/ Custodians/ Dispatchers

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried unanimously.

## POND AND LAKES COMMISSION

Gary Pothier

Kenneth I. Schold

Robert H. Clark

**Bruce Hjort** 

Roy M. Ahlen

Roger L. Thornburg

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Jeff Dore

Richard Carew

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas. Motion carried unanimously.

# SAFETY COMMITTEE

William Berthiaume

Sgt. Stephen McFaul

Ann Kach

Motion to concur with the appointments made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried unanimously.

Steven Kosiba

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried 4-0-1 (Chairman King abstained)

# **SEWERAGE COMMISSION**

Gary C. Nelson

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Ashmankas, seconded by Selectman Borowski. Motion carried unanimously.

## **YOUTH COMMISSION**

Tim Cluett

Jennifer Nielsen

Matthew Brodeur

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Ashmankas, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried unanimously.