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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
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Selectmen Present: Acting Chairman Sandra Cristo, Mary Krumsiek, Scott Despres, and Jon Adams, Town Manager David Marciello.
Susan Spencer-T&G; Steve Balistreri-*Millbury Sutton Chronicle*
Absent: Chairman Francis B. King

John O'Rourke- Good Energy: Municipal Aggregation: He was here to explain the mishap with the opt-out letters with Public Power. The letters with the rates were sent out to all of the customers in Millbury who use National Grid as their supplier and an opt-out card to be returned if you did not want to use the plan to be returned by July 9th; those that returned the cards late may have been included in the program. 4,446 notifications were sent out; at the end of the opt-out-public power only processed 87 opt-out cards; we would have expected anywhere from 222-311 cards. Public Power did not do the process in Connecticut they had them sent to their office Texas which took a much longer trip to get to them, could be up to 7-10 days. Public Power received 742 opt-out letters after the cutoff date of July 9th; all of those people are now processed out. During the month that they were in the program, they received a lower rate than National Grid.

Selectman Cristo asked when the switch will show on the bill. Mr. O'Rourke said that it will be on the bill you receive in August. Selectman Adams asked if there are any fees with this? There is not. Selectman Despres said that many people did not like the opt-out option and then it got messed up which makes them look bad for supporting this program. Out of 829 opt out forms, how did we mess up 742? Mr. O'Rourke said that it was a combination of the letters getting to Public Power late and Public Power not processing the opt-out forms timely. He sincerely apologized for this happening.

7:15 PM- Transfer of Liquor License-BAK, Inc. to AK Millbury Liquors-34 Main Street.

Selectman Krumsiek read the hearing notice into record.

Attorney Arthur Pearlman appeared for the buyers, Alpesh Patel, Amba, Inc. Mr. Patel lives in Southbridge, MA and he owns two other businesses with liquor licenses. Mr. Patel will be at the Millbury location 40 hours a week and they will be open seven days from 8:00 am – 11:00 pm M-S, and Sunday 10:00 am – 9:00 pm. The layout of the store will not change. Mr. Patel has completed the TIPS program and the certification.

Selectman Despres asked if the hours were the same as what they have now. Attorney Pearlman said no, but he will assess the hours as needed. Selectman Despres asked if there were any issues with the establishments in Southbridge and Oxford? Attorney Pearlman said none what so ever. Selectman Krumsiek motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Selectman Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Krumsiek motioned to approve the Transfer of Liquor License from BAK, Inc. to Amba, Inc. AK Millbury Package Store, seconded by Selectman Despres.

Motion carried unanimously.

Town Counsel Access Policy-Second Reading- no changes have been made up to now. The board wanted to postpone the second reading until Chairman King was back. Selectman Despres asked if we need to read it out loud. Mr. Marciello answered that anyone who would like to see the policy can, but they do not have to read it out loud.

Motion made by Selectman Despres to continue the second reading of the Town Counsel Access Policy until August 22, 2017, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.

Motion carried unanimously.

Reserve Policy-Second Reading: no changes made

Surplused Forestry I Truck to EMA Director: Mr. Marciello said that the Chairman did recuse himself from this discussion. He supports this decision to have the EMA Director have this used vehicle. Selectman Despres reminded Mr. Marciello that they wanted a letter from the town mechanic stating that this vehicle is in good shape.

Selectman Krumsiek made a motion to give the truck to the EMA Director. Motion was not seconded. Selectman Adams agreed with Selectman Despres that we should get a report from the town mechanic.

Debt Exclusion Discussion: Selectman Adams said that he would like to propose a \$5 million debt exclusion at the next town meeting, but without a DPW Director he cannot get an estimate of how many roads could actually be done. He believes that this could roll to a 15-year bond so that the tax burden will not be that large. Mr. Marciello said that you can only do so many roads at one time, we would only borrow what we need at the time; there are a lot of different ways you could borrow. You would need to talk to the treasurer/collector and finance director as there are pro's and con's to either way.

Town Manger Report: * see attached report

Mr. Marciello is appointing Pam Bott as the head clerk in the Planning & Development Office; this is an internal union shift.

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Despres.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Marciello is appointment Patricia Arp as our Energy Manager; she applied to this position five months ago but he was able to hire her as our interim DPW Director. As her term was up for the director position she will be assuming the role of Energy Manager with a limited availability as interim DPW director.

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Despres.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Marciello is in heavy discussion with a DPW Director, if he can come to a meeting of the minds he will put the name forward to the selectmen.

There is no new update on the HR Director; he is waiting on the superintendent. It has been reposted in the MMA.

The Finance Director has been presented with a contract per the Charter.

We have received 2 quotes for the Recycling Center overhead doors, waiting on the third. No update on the offices construction until the stairs are done. The concrete for the stair project was postponed because of rain, it is now scheduled for Thursday.

On Thursday, September 7th Patricia Arp will have a public hearing regarding any changes to our cul-de-sacs; it is his understanding that the cul-de-sac will be more like a doughnut instead of a lollipop. It will have a raingarden in the middle instead of asphalt. Selectman Krumsiek said that it will be like the road on Capt. Peter Simpson Rd.

Our Snow Plowing/Sand/Salt discussion is open for public common. He will schedule more discussions before coming up with a plan of attack.

There is no update on the S. Main Street Bridge; the Wedgewood Street easement has been done by town council. Wedgewood will not be on the tarring list this year due to the easement issue. Ms. Arp is going to get in touch with GHB in regard to the McCracken Rd. TIP project. Selectman Adams ask Mr. Marciello to get in touch with the Mall owners for more design money.

We are waiting for the base of the lights for the Dam. They cannot put in the sidewalks until the lights are in. We are putting the LED gaslights on the dam instead of on the telephone poles; there will be five.

He would like citizens to join the Cell Tower Overlay District Committee. He only has one so far. Selectman Adams wants the manager to post the map of the placement to let residents know where they might be. The ADA grant has been filed; he is working with a sub-committee regarding children who need services after they leave school. We have applied for the 319 Grant; there is a sub-grant of that for the DEP Consortium. We have started our meetings for Hazard Mitigation with CMRPC. A Ch.40U roundtable discussion is scheduled for tomorrow at 3:00 pm. This will be to discuss what it is and then in later meetings get into the meat of it. He is working with Bridgewater State University and the MPA program to undertake the survey portion of the Master Plan; this is a very scientifically designed process that will save us thousands of dollars. The class will use this project as their capstone.

Selectman Adams asked who is in charge of looking for grants. It is part of Laurie Connor's job; other department heads are in charge of their department grants. He is also hoping to get an intern from BSU to work on these types of things with Ms. Connors as well. Patricia Arp, the Energy Manager will be applying for those grants.

Previous Minutes

Motion made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Despres for discussion. Selectman Despres said that in the minutes we voted to look at the policy regarding not adding vehicles to the fleet. Mr. Marciello said that Chairman King did have it voted on at a meeting but there was not a policy written to that end. Seconded by Selectman Despres. Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Despres thanked the Manager for getting the lighting on town hall fixed; as the days get shorter, it will be more noticeable.

Dates to Remember

August 9th at 3:00 pm: Round Table Discussion regarding MGL Ch.40u
August 17th at 5:30 pm: Eddie Forman Polka Band-Thursday - Millbury Senior Center
Sunday August 20th at 4 PM Cub Scout Pack 109 with Boy Scout Troop 109 and the Girl Scouts
OPEN HOUSE & FREE MOVIE SUNDAY at the Elm; doors open at 4 PM, "The LEGO Batman Movie" starts at 4:30 PM

On a Good Note

Letter from Chief Desorcy regarding promotions for police officer Brian Lewos to Lieutenant and officer Christopher Poselli to Sergeant. A pinning ceremony will be held at a future date. Congratulations to both. The Chief will be hiring three additional officers.

Selectman Cristo wanted to thank Linda Pothier, an Asa Waters Task Force member and volunteer who is retired now. She has made period curtains for the first-floor dining room and east parlor- they are absolutely beautiful.

Mail

Letter from the Millbury Fire Department regarding a donation in the amount of \$250.00 from Aquarion Water Company.

Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Despres. Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Millbury Center Beautification Initiative regarding a donation from the Millbury National Bank in the amount of \$200.00 and from the Millbury Bicentennial Committee in the amount of \$425.89.

Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Despres. Motion carried unanimously.

Notice of Vegetation Spraying from the DPW on September 5 and 6, 2017 in the Town of Millbury.

Addiction Recovery program at Worcester City Hall on August 22, 2017
Candle Light Vigil for Accidental Overdose Awareness Day on August 22, 2017

The Acting Chairman announced the Board will be going into Executive Session and will come out to only adjourn.

Motion made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Adams to move into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. under Chapter 39, Section 23B, ¶2 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares re: YOU, Inc. Contract

The Acting Chairman declared.

Selectman Adams	- Yes
Selectman Despres	- Yes
Selectman Krumsiek	-Yes
Acting Chairman Cristo	-Yes

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Krumsiek at 8:30 pm, seconded by Selectman Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tish Hayes, Secretary

Francis B. King

Sandy J. Cristo

Mary Krumsiek

Scott Despres

Jon Adams





