

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

October 13, 2015

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Present: Board of Selectmen: Francis B. King, Sandy Cristo; Mary Krumsiek, William Borowski; Acting Town Manager, Laurie Connors, Residents of Gilbert Way, Wedgewood Drive and Ramshorn Pond Association, Terry Burke Dotson, Scott Despres and other concerned citizens

Absent: Bob Spain

Chairman King called the meeting to order

**Bicentennial Committee- Lower Common Message Board**

Bill Kane: spoke to clarify discussion regarding the lower common. The Bicentennial Committee has been working in conjunction with the Town Planner, DPW Director and the town manager on a design for the electronic message center along with the clock being purchased by the Redevelopment Authority. The complete lower common redesign is not up to them. Mr. Kane clarified that there has been no discussion of funds with the cable advisory committee; whatever you read in the Chronicle regarding this is untrue and false.

Don Rajotte wants to get a warrant article to vote on the clock- he doesn't believe it belongs in the center of town.

Motion made by Selectman Borowski to approve the design plan seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.

Motion carried unanimously.

**One-Day Liquor License- Catholic Parishes of Millbury at St. Brigid's Parish Hall**

October 24, 2015 5:30pm – 9:30 pm.

Motion to approve the one-day license made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously

**One-Day Liquor License- Struck Catering at Asa Waters Mansion**

October 22, 2015 5:00pm – 7:00 pm.

Motion to approve the one-day license made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Borowski.

Motion carried unanimously

**Change of Ownership-Panera Bread-70 Worcester/Providence Tpk.**

Just the corporate name is changing; everything else will operate the same way.

Motion to approve the change made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Drainlayer License Renewal** – Russell DeDoming-Woodridge LLC-Boylston

Motion to approve the renewal made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Carlton Road Pole Petition-** Selectman Krumsiek read hearing notice into record at 7:15

Representative from National Grid spoke stating the reason why they need this pole is for a support pole, right now it is tied to a tree and that is not the proper way to do it.

Motion to close the public hearing made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the request to place the pole made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Singletary Road Pole Petition:** Selectman Krumsiek read public hearing notice read into record at 7:20 pm. Thomas Blicharz is here on behalf of Verizon- pole 19 Singletary is in the bend in the road; the wire is in the tree that is coming down; this will be a support pole.

Motion to close the public hearing made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the request to place the pole made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously

Chairman King said that we have 28 double poles and he would like them taken care of. The Ngrid representative said that 14 have been taken care of and explained the issue with finding the second poles due to scheduling.

**Chief Donald Desorey-** a month has already passed; he has command meetings and a voluntary meeting to discuss the plans and the future for the department. He has made some changes; sergeants are on the road as well as their duties. He's trying to get more bodies on the road to reduce overtime. Lt. Rush-Kittle is planning an assessment center for a new sergeant; she meets with the sergeants for critical training and learns what their expectations are. Office Oliveri has been very busy with all three schools. We continue to have ALICE training in all schools; Office Oliveri went to the Alice training school and she now assists the sergeants with this; the sergeants did fingerprinting at the Shaw school; shooting training will be twice a year; we will be relocating our range not to interfere with the DPW. He is working with Rob McNeil for that. Court office position has gone to Sgt. McFaul; he is on a 5/2 admin schedule; hearings, dates, requests, copies, reports, bookings and arrests. He's a fire arm instructor and a taser instructor. Sgt. Lewos was on admin 4/2 now he is on patrol as well; this way he can free up the detective so she doesn't have to be on the road. Patricia Rutherford officially retired today after 28 years of dedicated service to the town. He will be appointing a new dispatcher soon; he will still has an "opening". He's been working on next year's budget and this year's budget there are some issues with the unforeseen transfers; he will be meeting with the finance director to straighten this out. He needs a shift supervisor for the overnight shift; he's going to go with the assessment center as the next civil service exam isn't until January; they will still need to pass the exam. He has been attending the Financial Management Planning Committee-planning for the next 5 years; he has been using the carpenter's training school for improvements downstairs. Now that the oil tanks are removed we can use that area for storage. He and Lt Rush-Kittle met with the Brierly

Pond Association; Lt has been making connection in town; he's doing training for the Sergeants. He extended a challenge to Fire Chief Rich Hamilton; stuff a truck/cruiser on Saturday November 7th from 10-2 at Goretti's; we are going to try to collect as much food as we can and distribute the food to our 3 food pantries in town. His goal is for as much food as they can possibly get; he does not want a thanksgiving plate empty. He has been going through the rules and regulations; policies and procedures to bring them up to date.

Chairman King thanked him and it looks like he's a doing a good job, he has done a lot of work and has a lot more to do.

Selectman Borowski wanted to give Mr. McNeil a line in the sand for a date in November; Chief Desorcy said that they are working together and he is very cooperative to get to this goal. He would like a formal report of the finances once he gets them; and how is he going to make the determination if he is hiring a new sergeant. Selectman Borowski asked for an update on the safety complex building; they have a meeting tomorrow night-they have some new members; he thinks they need some drastic changes to get this through. We want to get as much info out as we can. Selectman Krumsiek asked how the new officer is working out; Office Woeller is working out very well and she'd like to go on another ride along. Selectman Cristo said that the tours were very informative but not very well attended.

**Dumpling Girl 56 Canal Street-New Liquor License Application-** Selectman Krumsiek read hearing notice into record at 7:53 pm

Application was withdrawn by the applicant.

Motion to close public hearing made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek. Motion carried unanimously.

**Previous Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2015 selectmen meeting made by Selectman Cristo, seconded by Selectman Borowski.

Motion carried unanimously

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2015 selectmen meeting made by Selectman Cristo, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.

Motion carried unanimously

**Town Manager Report**

Acting Town Manager Laurie Connors is appointing Sue Dalton as the full time Emergency Police/Fire and EMS Dispatcher.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Acting Town Manager Laurie Connors is appointing Lt. Regina Rush-Kittle to the Public Safety Building Siting Committee.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Acting Town Manager Laurie Connors is appointing Mary Griffith to the Asa Waters Task Force as an alternate.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Acting Town Manager Laurie Connors is appointing Mary Cafferty to the Ponds & Lakes Committee.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Acting Town Manager Laurie Connors gave an update regarding the town hall HVAC project- clearly we now have heat- gas meter was installed on Friday. The requirement for a building permit was making sure the structure was able to handle the rooftop unit; we were told the difference in weight was 400 lbs- the new unit is quite a bit heavier and the difference in weight is 1,200 lbs. She asked our engineer to see how they could be off by so much. We have to resolve this structural issue before the unit can be put on the roof; this delays the project until the end of November. We will continue to update you as things develop.

Selectman Borowski asked why we didn't do structural engineering before the project started; Ms. Connors said that they anticipated a one for one swap; then when they got the specs, there was a 400 lb change; the building inspector noticed and advised them that we require this. It was included in the bid packet the structural engineering would be included. She tried to explain the bid process and how it work. Selectman Borowski is angry at the Town Manager for not knowing that this issue would be coming up; he can't stand up and advocate for any project when things like this continue to happen. Ms. Connors said that Gaffney's bid was \$100,000 less than the 2nd bid; which was over the estimate of the cost of the construction. The unit just came in 2 weeks ago and it was custom made to this building. Chairman King thought this should have been known before it was delivered. Selectman Ashmankas asked why it got bigger with technology getting smaller and more efficient. Scott Masse, resident, said that he does this for work; one of the engineer's should have known the weight; he said that they may also be charging storage fees.

We had bid opening for municipal aggregation; we received three bids and formed a subcommittee to go through the packets; we will come up with a recommendation for your approval.

Chairman King added that Rob McNeil called him on his way to the meeting to tell him that the town has received a grant in the amount of \$500,000 for the Ramshorn Dam and also a \$500,000 low interest loan.

**New/Old**

Selectman Krumsiek has been getting many complaints about Gilbert Way and the change in the road from a cul de sac to a t; she asked for the Gilbert Way people to be able to speak.

Chairman King asked that anyone who speaks be civil and respectful.

Joe Fortunato lives at 18 Gilbert Way; they bought their house because of it being in a cul de sac. Mr. Fortunato said that they were misled by the DPW Director and that it's a safety issue; backing up trucks. Fred Mosely spoke regarding narrowing roads, the stormwater drain offs and that they did not endorse a cul de sac or the t. They are encouraging us to get rid of pavement. Selectman Krumsiek said that it's a minimal cost to have a cul de sac; what is the big deal about stormwater; she would just like the cul de sac paved. Barry Lorion said that this is a good opportunity to revisit the regs. regarding dead end roadway treatments. She wants to know why we have public hearings if we are not going to listen to the residents. The RAC does listen to the residents, it has only been a couple of years that residents starting coming to the public hearings and it has helped shape their pavement program. Pat & Bob Watkins from Wedgewood Lane said they want to keep their cul de sac and that they will have a water problem if they use a t. Selectman Borowski would like to draft a policy directing the DPW and town manager to leave cul de sacs alone. He's trying to send a message that he does not like the direction we are going and he wants it stopped immediately. He wants Gilbert Way put back to a cul de sac and Wedgewood drive minimally touched. Selectman Cristo asked Ms. Connors when the planning board approves a plan for a subdivision or a road, then the selectmen approve it, it finally goes to town meeting for approval, isn't the road recorded at the registry of deeds; is it legal to make changes to that street? Ms. Connors explained that the area is approved, not the actual street itself, so it is not illegal to change it, the as built is used to maintain the boundaries.

Motion by Selectman Ashmankas to direct the DPW to keep the two cul de sacs on Gilbert Way and Wedgewood Lane. Chairman King doesn't think this should be done

Selectman Borowski asked the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to sit down with Mr. McNeil and Mr. Spain to get issue worked out.

Paulette Masse of 6 Gilbert Way said that she attended both public meetings and the DPW Director reneges on everything he says. He just goes ahead and does anything he wants.

Terry Burke-Dotson spoke; Bob Belsito spoke regarding his driveway being extended and the upkeep he will have to undertake if the street is left this way; he cannot turn his tractor trailer around without using someone's driveway. Marie Cameron, she wanted to remind the board what happened on Miles Street and then they had to re-do it. Tim Cluett said that this design will not be good for plowing. Kerry Luby lives on Stowe Road and believes the end of Stowe Road is a mess and shouldn't have been done.

Chairman King thanked them for coming into the meeting and they will be talking in the future.

10 minute recess

Selectman Ashmankas asked the Ramshorn Pond Association to come to the meeting; Laurie Connors spoke regarding the conservation commission hearing; the DEP is encouraging signage and the town to work with the Ramshorn Pond Association to establish a monitoring plan for evasive aquatic species and a removal plan.

Kathy Crewe spoke regarding keeping milfoil out of Ramshorn Pond; there are no invasive weeds in the pond now and they want to keep it that way. The quality of our water is almost drinkable. They would like a gate installed at the launch area so that it is just for carried boats and have it monitored. There should be a washing station to make sure people wash off the

weeds before they go in the pond. Dorothy Pond is a mess with weeds; we don't want them in our pond. We have worked very hard to preserve this resource. Chairman King thinks we can work something out; Selectman Ashmankas said that a policy could be drafted.

**Chairman King Read Dates to Remember**

Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 9am-4pm-Millbury Days at Broadmeadow Brook

Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 3pm-7pm-Board of Health Flu Shots at the Asa Waters Mansion

Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> 9am-12pm-Flu Shot at the Senior Center

**On a Good Note**

Breast cancer awareness month- get your mammogram!

Alex Belisle published a book-congratulations.

**Mail**

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

Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Borowski seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from Laurie Connors regarding donations to the Millbury beautification project in the amount of \$5,100.00.

Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Borowski seconded by Selectman Cristo.

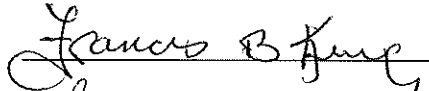
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Krumsiek to adjourn at 9:55 p.m., seconded by Selectman Cristo.

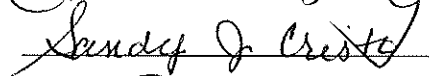
Approved by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tish Hayes, Secretary

Francis B. King



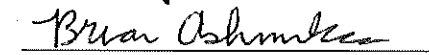
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