

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

October 28, 2014

7:00 pm

Present: Board of Selectmen: Francis B. King; Sandy Cristo; Mary Krumsiek, Brian M. Ashmankas; William Borowski; Town Manager, Bob Spain, Tom Reilly, *The Millbury-Sutton Chronicle*; Susan Spencer, *The T&G*; Edd Cote

Chairman King called the meeting to order

One-Day Liquor License—Struck Catering at Asa Waters Mansion; November 1, 2014- 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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

Motion carried unanimously.

New Drainlayer- David Edilberti Backhoe Service- Dave Edilberti spoke and said that there is a family in town that he does a lot work for and they would like him to do their sewer hook-up; he does the work himself.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Change of Sunday Hours- Millbury Liquors- 123 Main Street

Motion to approve the Change of Sunday opening to 10:00 am effective made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously

Rob McNeil- DPW Update- the South Main Street Bridge is officially closed; thanks to the DPW and the Police for assisting us through this. It was closed on Tuesday and we have the electronic sign board telling people the bridge is closed. The detour signs are up and most people are responding pretty well. There have been a few calls to the manager's office regarding the no parking on the maple street-we have reached out to an area business that is willing to take the overflow parking. Brush chipping is coming up Saturday Nov. 1 and 15th 8 am to noon at highway garage-this is resident only. We can take brush 6" or under. Snow is forecasted for Saturday-new mechanic is on top of the trucks and salt shed is full; the salt bid is a cooperative bid-the salt price did go up substantially from last year, but we are under the state bid. Chairman King asked about a salt shortage; last year the issue was that it was snowing down south; we hit the back of the salt shed twice last year. Selectman Borowski asked about Round Pond-where does it fall to get fixed within our priority list? It is one of 30 projects that he has forwarded to the manager totaling about \$8million. He also asked Mr. McNeil if he could look at the sink hole on Laurel Drive. There is a list of about 10 structures that collapsed or were sink holes-we have been working with contractors to handle that sort of work. Selectman Krumsiek asked if the free furniture drop coupon has been working. Mr. McNeil didn't have a count but he will get

one. The residential construction debris roll off trailer has opened; the flyer explaining the process has been emailed out to sticker holders and available at the transfer station. We have had quite a few residents make use of it. Selectman Cristo asked how long the electronic sign will be up regarding the bridge closure; it's in its second week and he is looking into getting more permanent signs. She asked what the cost of the repair to the bridge would be instead of replacement. A repair option has not been looked into in full depth that it needs to but it would cost ¼ less of the estimate to replace the bridge to upwards of ½ million dollars. The repair option of a vintage 1920 bridge really isn't a good option because of the issue with the bridge; it would need to fix it again in a few years. Selectman Cristo's concern is that you are isolating neighborhoods. They will be looking at both ways to see which is better and more cost effective. She then asked if we could borrow funds from different accounts that would allow us to do the engineering even if we need to call another special town meeting- Mr. Spain explained that there is no money in other accounts that we could scrap together- we will have to borrow. Selectman Ashmankas asked why people cannot walk across the bridge-Mr. McNeil explained the challenge with the pedestrian traffic is that there is only one side has a sidewalk and that is where the issue is. In order to get pedestrians safely across we would have to build a new sidewalk with ramps and it would be into the Fidelity driveway; we asked the state and they said not a good idea. Selectman Krumsiek added that people can use the senior center bus or the WRTA bus-call the senior center. Selectman King mentioned that the leaves from the McGrath School on the sidewalks are a problem again. He also asked about the Parks Building- we met with the licensed site professional who will give us the specs for the asbestos removal; we are trying to find out what the DPW can do to stretch our dollar farther. Mr. Spain said that we asked the Senator and the Representative to try to get some money for the South Main Street Bridge. The S. Main Street bridge is only 1 of 36; we will be looking into capital projects for the future repairs and we are always looking into new grants.

Public Hearing-7:15 pm- Tran LLC d/b/a Millbury Liquors Transfer of License, New Officers/Directors; Change of Manager

Selectman Krumsiek read the hearing notice into record, seconded by Selectman Borowski. Motion carried unanimously to open the public hearing. Mr. Tran has asked for a continuance to gather some more information that is needed.

Motion to continue the Public Hearing to November 25, 2104 at 7:15 pm made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Borowski.

Public Hearing-7:20 pm- Selectman Krumsiek read the hearing notice into record, seconded by Selectman Borowski

Motion carried unanimously.

National Grid has asked to cancel this pole petition.

Motion to close the Public Hearing made by Selectman Krumsiek, seconded by Selectman Borowski.

Previous Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the meeting for the meeting of October 14, 2014 made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Town Manager Report:

We have just two open positions now; the library page and Rob is interviewing for the DPW worker.

The chairman of the Parks Commission has resigned which leaves only two members; one of which has contacted our office and said that he is resigning as well. Mr. Spain would like your thoughts on reorganizing per the charter section 5-1(b) and putting the parks commission under the DPW as we cannot get people to serve. The Lions Club is taking over the road race; the only other duty that they do is field assignments and our parks department can do that.

A first quarter revenue expense report is in your books for the general fund. This is something that was asked for as part of his goals. He plans to do this quarterly and an end of the fiscal year one. This report is on our web page. Selectman Ashmankas asked for a department key.

Follow-up items; the bicentennial monument is progressing; they are almost done with the pavers; then the landscaping, then the gates- then dedication!

The Bark Park should be done before mid-November. Laurie Connors has been having success with sign-ups thus far.

We are in the process of getting 19 JFK cleaned out and ready for auction. We are still on track for November and we will advertise. There are 11 or 12 lots for sale- we put a couple together to make it more attractive. We are trying to cover our costs. Selectman Ashmankas asked if this will count towards new growth. Mr. Spain is looking into that.

Selectman Krumsiek read a letter from the Cable Access Committee stating that they are working on the school room cable access and the Millbury Housing Authority cable issues. Selectman Borowski asked if we should have the Charter contract looked over by our attorney to see if they are in breach of contract. Mr. Spain explained that they are only required to provide one drop per municipal building and they are doing that. We can't do too much- the federal laws have tied our hands.

Selectman Cristo said that someone called her to say they don't have a street sign on Acworth St. which is off of Wheelock Avenue. Mr. Spain said that Acworth is the worst street in Millbury based on the pavement management program.

Selectman Ashmankas went to the Selectmen Conference on Saturday- the first speaker spoke about what actually works for economic development and what we can do for options. Mr. Spain said that Laurie Connors is coming in to our next meeting to talk about economic development.

OLD BUSINESS

2nd reading of the one Day Liquor License Policy- Mr. Spain will be changing number 3. All other paragraphs are fine.

Chairman King asked about the Aerial scope- we haven't gotten any bites; one man called and thought the price was too high. Mr. Spain is thinking of lowering price to get rid of it. What is happening with the new parks truck? They got one in and it was the wrong one so they have to reorder it; it is a higher truck so we need to raise the doors.

Chairman King read Dates to Remember

Saturday November 1st from 9 AM to 12 Noon Butler Farm Bark Park Registration at the Library

Tuesday November 4th from 7 AM to 8 PM-VOTE-Millbury High School

Saturday November 8th from 9 AM to 2 PM Fall Craft Fair at the Senior Center

Saturday November 8th from 2 to 5 PM VFW Ladies Auxiliary Meat Raffle to benefit Veterans and Lions Club

Saturday November 29th Millbury's Small Business Saturday

Sunday December 7th from 11 AM to 4:30 PM Annual Chain of Lights!

Selectman Cristo said that Whitinsville and Sutton are joining in on Small Business Saturday.

On a Good Note

Thank you to the Environmental Council for cleaning up Howe Ave- they got 15 bags of trash and thanks to Rays for the disposal.

Shout out to the Youth Commission Halloween Dance; Selectman Krumsiek chaperoned and it was well attended.

Mail

Letter from Laurie Connors regarding Bark Park donations in the amount of \$535.00

Motion to accept the donations made by Selectman Cristo, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Fire Department regarding a donation in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Fire Department regarding a donation in the amount of \$100.00.

Motion to accept the donations made by Selectman Borowski, seconded by Selectman Krumsiek.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spain announced that the next meeting will be November 25th as the 11th is Veterans Day!

Adjournment

Motion made by Selectman Krumsiek to adjourn at 8:17 p.m., seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Approved by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tish Hayes, Secretary

Francis B. King	_____
Sandy J. Cristo	_____
Mary Krumsiek	_____
Brian Ashmankas	_____
William Borowski	_____