

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

March 26, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Present: Board of Selectmen: E. Bernard Plante; Francis B. King; Brian W. Stowell; Brian M. Ashmankas; Sandra J. Cristo; Town Manager, Bob Spain; Finance Director, Brian Turbitt, Town Clerk, Jayne Davolio, Town Planner, Laurie Connors, DPW Director, Robert D. McNeil, III, Joe Coggans, Fred Alexandrowicz, Susan Spencer, Edd Cote, and other concerned citizens.

Jayne Davolio-Town Clerk- Question 1 on the ballot.

Chairman Plante explained that there is a lot of confusion out there on the fact that there are two street lists listing accepted and unaccepted roads in town. Ms. Davolio explained that this is a citizen's petition and it is just the article with no attachments. *Shall the town vote to accept the provisions of section six C of chapter forty of the General Laws, which authorize cities and towns to appropriate money for the removal of snow and ice from private ways therein open to public use?*

Mr. Spain added that if this passes nothing will change- if it fails and your road is a private way you will be notified and billed for plowing. This gives the town the ability to appropriate money for plowing private roads. There are numerous ways to have a road accepted-if they are a former county roads, accepted at Sutton town meeting; state highways, on map prior to 1847, as long as they are open to public use.

Selectman Cristo said that if the town has a sewer easement across a private way it has an obligation to maintain that road. That is not correct-the town just has the ability to maintain the sewer across the way.

The confusing part is that people think there is a list of streets attached to this petition and there is not.

Rob McNeil-DPW Director spoke with regard to determination of public/private roads. The planner maintains a record of roads that have been mapped in the past, brought forward by a developer and listed on the chapter 90 list.

Laurie Connors-Town Planner- her conservative guess leaves 44 roads that are believed to be private. She has given some roads to a surveyor to investigate that she is suspicious that they may be public but she is not sure. She has done a lot of deed research but it is difficult when you get into the descriptions of the 1800's.

Selectman King asked how many miles is part of the 44 roads. She does not know.

He then stated that we have standards that our roads have to be before we can accept them; most of the private ways are in deployable shape.

Jayne Davolio said that if anyone has questions they can call her office at 508-865-9110.

Lewcott d/b/a Barrday-86 Providence Street-Gary Roberts from Tighe & Bond- Laurie Stewart and Brooke Ingram from Barrday are here as well. They have removed the underground tanks with approval and permits in place. Now they want to put in four above ground tanks totaling 10,000 gallons-store organic solvents in the tanks. They met with the State Fire Marshall and the Fire Chief to see what this plan will look like. They have all safety inspections in order.

Selectman King asked if the tanks are in a separate area. Yes they are-double wall concrete tanks. Where are they placed? Right where the underground tanks were-they poured a pad. Motion to approve by the license made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King. Motion unanimously.

Mid-State Repair-Class II License Application-Thomas Stratford

It is to help their own business not to sell a bunch of cars; they can buy parts for their vehicles cheaper.

Motion to approve the Class II License for Mid-State Repair, 237 Riverlin Street, made by Selectman Cristo in accordance with the variance, seconded by Selectman Stowell.

Motion carried unanimously.

Substitute Poll Workers

Motion by Selectman King to appoint Carole Vultor, Theresa O'Brien and Fabrizio Bordo, as substitute Poll Workers, seconded by Selectman Stowell.

Motion carried unanimously.

One Day Liquor License-New England Carpenter's Training Fund-April 25, 2013 at 13 Holman Road.

Motion to approve the one-day liquor license for New England Carpenters Training Fund made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

DPW Director-Robert McNeil- National DPW Week will be May 19 – 25th with an open house on May 18th at 137 Providence Rd. Art Contest of grades 7-12. Winner will have art displayed on snow plow. He sent out a list of capital items he is looking for. We are moving towards quarterly sewer billing- in line with Aquarion water billing. This will make things easier. They are completing a topographic survey of Central Cemetery regarding the cemetery water system; we will be expanding the water system. The SMART Program, in accordance with DEP grant, is moving forward, we need to set up two public hearings. The Board agreed to April 9 and 23. We have received a \$60,000 grant to study putting in an anaerobic digester at the sewer plant; which is used to create energy, the study will conclude at the end of September into October.

Resident brush chipping for Millbury residents only at the highway garage on April 6th, April 20th and May 4th from 8 am – 12 pm, branches up to six inch in diameter-proof of residency required.

Sidewalk week spraying will begin early June; more to come on that-dates will be advertised. They will be sweeping streets and sidewalks as well.

Hazardous waste day will be held on June 8 at 131 Providence Street; a flyer will be coming out soon. \$10 per car load.

We have an IMA with the town of Spencer as part of the grant funds for the 2013 CIC Grant, round 2-the thirty-town coalition-only \$115,000 of that grant was awarded out of the \$200,000. Each town will have to make up \$2833.00 to fund the gap of the full grant out of their budget.

Selectman Cristo asked if April 23rd will be scheduled. Yes- it will be scheduled.

Selectman Ashmankas said that there is a pothole at 7 Gilbert Way. Mr. McNeil has been dealing with the residents there and you have to go through Auburn to get to Millbury. The first 250 feet was private and then in Auburn. They have been working with Auburn who has finally accepted the first portion of Gilbert Way. We are considering getting it done this season but there will have to be public hearings because it is far too wide.

He also asked for a street sign for Bill Graham Way.

The residents of Main Street wanted to thank the DPW for plowing the sidewalks.

Selectman King asked if the beavers at back Brierly? We have been monitoring debris and have removed from the spillway area. The boards have been replaced in all the lakes and ponds. Lewcott? They got a new report and will forward to Rob, the numbers are fluctuating.. They have complied with.

The chain link fence at boat ramp on Singletary towards West Main. Some posts are sticking into the sidewalk.

Previous Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the meeting for February 26, 2013 made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes of the meeting for March 7, 2013 made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Town Manager Report:

Mr. Spain would like to reappoint Kim Corey as Police Administrative Assistant until June 30, 2016.

Motion to concur with the appointment made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Budget-still waiting for House budget to see where state aid comes out. FinComm voted to recommend the budget as presented. We will be addressing the warrant at the next meeting-almost complete.

WRTA is going over their preliminary budget. They will be opening their new transportation hub at 60 Foster Street by Union Station-every route will be altered because of this new hub with a covered area instead of City Hall.

DPW negotiations are progressing, will meet with the Police Union the 1st week of April and teacher negotiations are ongoing.

The repairs on Town Hall will begin this week. This will affect meetings as all walls here are coming down. He asked Jayne and Liz to coordinate to schedule meetings. Location may change for the April 9th meeting. A lot of the work will be done at night so as not to affect daily operations. He is looking into putting a different surface in the halls and carpet squares in the offices.

He would ask for a vote to send a letter to the Assessors requesting them to determine the overage in the overlay account.

Motion to send the letter made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's new three year contract- it is what we all agreed on.

Motion to approve the Town Manger contract made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spain wanted to thank the Board for the confidence that they have shown and looks forward to serving the town for three more years. He would like to retire in the summer of 2016.

Selectman Ashmankas said that he went to the Worc County Selectmen's Assoc- he updated the bylaws for them- they were passed and he was elected VP of the organization. It is \$50 for the annual dues. Next meeting is June 20th at 6:30 pm at the Sturbridge Town Hall.

Motion to join the WCSA made by Selectman Ashmankas, seconded by Selectman Cristo.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to appoint Selectman Ashmankas as a delegate to the WCSA made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Cristo.
Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Cristo mentioned that there will be a Regional Selectmen's Association meeting on April 3rd.

Old/New Business

Selectman King would like an update on committees appointed by the Selectman quarterly.
Selectman Ashmankas thanked the manager for sending out the staff meeting minutes.
Selectman Stowell said that issues regarding potholes, plowing, etc. should be brought up before a Tuesday meeting for safety issues and to get it done sooner rather than later.

Mail

Letter from Devoe-Taylor for the Poppy Drive May 2,3,4, 2013.
Motion to allow Poppy Days made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Cristo.
Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Bicentennial Committee regarding donations in the amount of \$19,979.48.
Motion to accept the donations made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Cristo.
Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Parks Commission and Town Planner regarding donations totaling \$6,880.00 for the Woolie World renovations.
Motion to accept the donations made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Cristo.
Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Speak:

Terrie Burke Dodson, 20 Salo Terrace- spoke regarding return to prudent banking and the **Glass-Steagall Act**. She gave them 5 samples of letters that other city counselors have sent in support of returning the act. Please ask your citizens to call their representatives to get this back.

Executive Session

Motion made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Stowell to move into Executive Session at 8:41 p.m. under Chapter 39, Section 23B, Paragraphs 3 and 6

Selectman King	- Yes
Selectman Stowell	- Yes
Selectman Ashmankas	-Yes
Selectman Cristo	-Yes
Chairman Plante	-Yes

Chairman Plante announced the Board would return only to adjourn.

Adjournment

Motion made by Selectman Stowell to adjourn at 10:25 p.m., seconded by Selectman King. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tish Hayes, Secretary

E. Bernard Plante	_____
Francis B. King	_____
Brian W. Stowell	_____
Brian M. Ashmankas	_____
Sandy J. Cristo	_____

The Board of Selectmen