

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

June 12, 2012

7:15 p.m.

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**Present:** Board of Selectmen: E. Bernard Plante, Francis King, Brian Stowell, Brian Ashmankas, Sandy J. Cristo; Town Manager, Bob Spain, Brian Turbitt, Chief Mark Moore, Sutton Fire Chief Matt Belsito, Millbury Fire Personnel, Dennis Piel, Jude Cristo, Joe Coggans, Edd Cote, Richard Valentino, Susan Spencer, Tom Reilly and other concerned citizens.

Bill Walsh-President of Millbury Savings Bank-presented the Town with a donation of \$8,500 for the engineering costs of Jacques Park for field expansion. MSB sold their branch on Route 146 which had a soccer field and that will not be available to the Town anymore. Chairman Plante wanted to thank the Savings Bank for stepping up as they always do for Millbury. Motion to accept the donation made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation to Dennis Piel for years of service to the town as an Assessor. A dedicated man to the Town of Millbury-Many thanks to Mr. Piel.

Presentation to Fire Chief Matt Belsito for his service to Millbury. Chairman Plante said that he did not want to do this one, but Millbury's loss is Sutton's gain. Chief Belsito said a few words and thanked the Millbury Fire Department, Board of Selectman and Town Manager. He believes Millbury has the best trained fire department. He will always be there for Millbury.

**Informational Hearing:**

7:15 pm- Attorney Bob Hennigan represented Karen McGovern for **Puffins**. She has hired a new chef and increased her hours and will operate a bistro menu. Her new hours will be Wed, Thurs, Fri and Saturday until 9:00 pm. Chairman Plante explained the reasoning for these hearings. Selectman Stowell said that this is what we were looking for with the change of hours. He would like the board to be notified if there is a decrease in hours. Chairman Plante wishes her the best of luck with her new hours and menu.

**Common Victualler License-Christopher's Homemade Ice Cream**-22 West Street. William Shroeder is hoping to open in the Felter's Mill soon. He will be serving homemade ice cream and gelato. He attended Ice Cream University and is working with a consultant to make this work.

Motion to approve license made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the **FY13 Meeting Calendar** made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Drainlayer Renewal**-John Jolin; Jolin Paving & Excavation, Inc.

Motion to approve the renewal made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Stowell.

Motion carried unanimously.

**One Day Liquor License**-Pepper's Catering at Asa Waters Mansion; September 15, 2012

Motion to approve the license made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried unanimously.

**One Day Liquor License**-Michael Bank's Catering at Asa Waters Mansion; June 24, 2012

Motion to approve the license made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Previous Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2012 meeting made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Mail**

Letter from Jess Sharon updating the Board on the Windle Field Rejuvenation project.

Letter from the Millbury Federated Church regarding their Block Party on September 15, 2012 from 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm. and requesting closing off streets.

Motion to close roads made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Stowell.

Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the Parks Commission regarding their 4<sup>th</sup> of July road race.

Motion to approve made by Selectman Cristo, seconded by Selectman Stowell.

Motion carried unanimously.

Letter from the DPW regarding Millbury Savings Bank \$8500.00 donation for Jacques Park.

**TGI Fridays** public notice read into record by Selectman Stowell

Attorney DaNapoli represented TGI Fridays- Changing manager to Nicole Crosby.

Town Manager Spain mentioned that Friday's has an outstanding police detail.

Motion to approve the change of manager by Selectman Stowell, seconded by King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to close the public hearing made by Selectman Stowell, seconded Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Town Manager Appointments:**

**Parks Commission:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Robert Ayotte and Appoint Todd Willette to the Parks Commission with a term expiring on June 30, 2015 made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Sewer Commission:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Gary Nelson to the Sewer Commission made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Cristo.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Constables:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Stewart Barden, Todd Army, Karl Swenson and Jude Cristo made by Selectman Stowell as Constables with a term expiring June 30, 2013, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried 4-0-1 (Selectman Cristo abstained).

**Asa Waters Task Force:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Judith Murphy, Dennis Hill and Mary Griffith made by Selectman Stowell to serve on the Asa Waters Task Force with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Sealer of Weights and Measures:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Ronald Valinski made by Selectman Stowell to serve as the Sealer of Weights and Measures with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Certified Weigher-Granger Lynch:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Vernon Jackson for Granger Lynch made by Selectman Stowell to serve as Certified Weigher with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Cultural Arts Council:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Leslie Vigneau and John Caron to the Cultural Arts Council made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Dorothy Pond Restoration Committee:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Kenneth Schold and Jeffrey Gardner to the Dorothy Pond Restoration Committee made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Driveway and Highway Opening Inspector:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Robert D. McNeil, III as Driveway and Highway Opening Inspector made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Emergency Management/Auxiliary Police:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Gary Gagne, Mark Dyberg, Fabrizio Bordo, Walter Swenson, Jr., Ronald Tranter, Paul DiCicco and Jeffrey Kozlowski to the Emergency Management/Auxiliary Police made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Ponds and Lakes Commission:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Kenneth Schold, Robert Clark, Bruce Hjort, Roy Ahlen and Roger Thurnburg to the Ponds and Lakes Commission made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Access Advisory Committee:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Jeff Dore and Richard Carew to the Public Access Advisory Committee made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Veterans Service and Benefits:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Philip Buso as the Veterans Service and Benefits director made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2015, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Animal Control Officer:**

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Daniel Chauvin as the Animal Control Officer made by Selectman Stowell with a term expiring June 30, 2013, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Kevin Krassopoulos**-he has done a great job and a great asset to the Town of Millbury. Motion to concur with the reappointment of Kevin Krassopoulos as the Public Access Director with a term expiring June 30, 2015 made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman Ashmankas.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Brian Turbitt**-he took over for a department that was in need of repair. He has done a phenomenal job-we have gone through the toughest financial times we have ever gone through and our audits now have been stellar. With great pleasure Mr. Spain asks the Board to concur with the reappointment of the Finance Director-Brian Turbitt.

Motion to concur with the reappointment of Brian Turbitt as the Finance Director with a term expiring June 30, 2017 made by Selectman Stowell, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Stowell read the openings on various Board and Committees. Chairman Plante urged interested people to let the Manager's office know.

The invitation for bids of building maintenance-heating oil, HVAC, plumber and electrician procurement are due back June 15, 2012. Seasonal DPW bids are out as well.

Verizon Fios update: They expect to meet their contractual obligations by September. They are saying that the Town is over 90% complete already. There are three houses on Federal Hill will not be serviced until they ask as it will be \$50,000 for 12 poles and have not had requests yet.

Motion to allow Verizon to wait for Federal Hill area made by Selectman Ashmankas, seconded by Selectman King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Ashmankas asked about the St. Brigid's pole and South Main Street has been repaired. Mr. Spain spoke to Ms. Cummings at Verizon and asked her to look into it.

Household Hazardous Waste day has been tentatively set up for Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at the sewer plant. We are able to do with money from the Wheelabrator grant.

Senate Council has the bill on taking the Chief out of civil service. It is expected to move along more quickly than expected.

Selectmen need to appoint someone to the Financial Management Planning Committee to replace former Selectman Schold.

Mr. McNeil sent out notices to the Miles Street/Prospect residents updating them on the construction. They are working diligently to get things done properly. Selectman King said

that Mr. McNeil did not do a bad job-this is the biggest project Millbury has undertaken in years. Chairman Plante said that we need to take each concern one at a time and deal with the issues. Selectman Stowell suggested that information mailings and a meeting before large construction projects begin would be a better idea moving forward.

Bicentennial Concert: the first event is here. Kickoff event is Saturday-June 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm. Free Mass Symphony Orchestra and fireworks display at Windle Field. Please come out and enjoy!

Finance Director Brian Turbitt has asked that the Board sign the Indirect Cost Agreement Between School and Town.

Motion to sign the agreement made by Selectman Ashmankas, seconded by Selectman Cristo. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old/New Business:**

Selectman King asked if any movement on the cell tower? They have 2 years from the time we signed it. We will check into it.

Dam ownership? It is still in the hands of the attorneys. Mr. Spain thinks we are just going to proceed and try to fix it; problem is coming up with the money to fix it.

Selectman King put some things together that he would like for the Chief opening: sergeant and up, at least 7 years, bachelor degree in criminal justice and knowledge in writing grants.

Chairman Plante would like to push forward and start the process now. Mr. Spain suggested a workshop meeting to put together a job description, salary, a committee and where to advertise. Selectman Cristo agreed with a meeting to get all the right people to together to make a clear path. Workshop meeting set for next week Tuesday June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Selectman Stowell asked about the caution sign for Martin Street & Park Hill Ave- Selectman King thought maybe a mirror?

Chairman Plante spoke regarding the cemetery and the water issue. He wants it fixed sooner rather than later and look into using perpetual care money to get this done.

Selectman Ashmankas asked about sharing a street sweeper with the Town of Grafton and said that the High School is still looking for VCR's.

**Citizen Speak:**

Ginny Picking-8 Lindy Street- she is very disappointed with her street and the narrowing of it. She is objecting the berm in front of her house. Her street is 18' wide and that is not enough. She feels it is very dangerous.

Paul Duggan-65 Miles Street-He is upset with the narrowing of the roads. He feels the corner of Hamilton & Miles Street has become more dangerous.

Tony Cameron-30 Miles Street-they have a petition regarding the work being done they do not like the reconfiguration of the streets. He would like the problems fixed now as he thinks it will not be done if they wait.

Selectman Stowell asked for a public meeting with the DPW Director as soon as he gets back from vacation.

Jennifer Flammand-41 Prospect Street-she is concerned about the kids and cars speeding now that the road is smooth.

Chairman Plante said that they will schedule a meeting with Mr. McNeil and the people of the area as soon as possible.

**On a Good Note:**

Congratulations to the recent graduates.

Thank you to Dennis Hill and Sharon Anderson for decorating the monument for Memorial Day.

**Executive Session**

Motion made by Selectman King, seconded by Selectman Stowell to move into Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. under Chapter 39, Section 23B, Paragraph 5 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 9:45 p.m., seconded by Selectman King  
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tish Hayes, Secretary

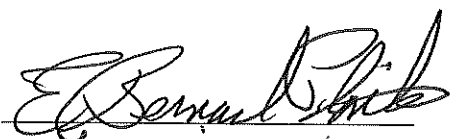
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