

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**

In attendance: Kathleen M. Conlon, Denis F. Keohane, J. Thomas Hurley, Annemarie Fagan, Town Administrator and Paula Rizzi, Executive Secretary

1. Chairman Conlon convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Cronin Conference Room of the Town Hall and asked the Board to consider moving the executive session scheduled for this time to the end of the meeting. The Board agreed.
2. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the August 26, 2014 meeting minutes as written.
3. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the current payroll/vendor warrants.
4. The Board confirmed October 7 and October 21, 2014 as a future meeting dates.
5. The Board met with Council on Aging Director Mary Ann Sullivan, COA Board member Michael Balfe and members of the Council to discuss the COA budget. (Ms. Conlon disclosed that her sister is a member of the Council on Aging Board). Mr. Balfe presented information regarding the senior population and stated that the COA intends to request an increase in its budget for FY16 to reflect an increase in the appropriation per senior (currently \$40 per senior). According to Mr. Balfe's report, in 2013, comparable towns appropriated significantly more funds for the Council on Aging and more funds per senior.

Ms. Sullivan echoed Mr. Balfe's sentiments and pointed out the need for a full-time van driver.

6. The Board met with Police Chief Richard Wells who presented two lateral transfer candidates for consideration by the Board. Both candidates will bring veteran experience to the Department and will fill two vacancies.

Each candidate was interviewed and given an opportunity to make a statement and to address questions to the Board.

Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Police Chief to appoint Bart T. Forzese, 24 Lowell Street, Braintree, MA, as a lateral transfer patrolman to the Milton Police Department, subject to a successful medical review and Personnel Board approval.

J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Police Chief to appoint Tracy L. Manion, 9 Bog Hollow Drive, Plymouth, MA as a lateral transfer patrolman to the Milton Police Department, subject to a successful medical review and Personnel Board approval.

7. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Jamie Mitchell, 635 Pleasant Street, as a Police Cadet in the Milton Police Department, subject to a successful medical screening and Personnel Board approval.
8. Consolidated Facilities Director Bill Ritchie presented his department's quarterly report. Mr. Ritchie reviewed the projects that have been completed, the future projects awaiting completion, updates on the work order system, new staffing in the department and textile recycling.
9. Town Treasurer James McAuliffe met with the Board to discuss an amendment to the Town's investment policy. Mr. McAuliffe was joined by Richard Rogers the Town's financial advisor for trust funds. The proposed amendment would allow the Town to purchase Standard and Poor's leading 100 stocks from the Standard and Poor's 500.

The Board and the Treasurer also discussed the process for tax title properties being considered for affordable housing. The Treasurer agreed with the Board that a policy should be drafted.

10. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve a first amendment to the agreement between the Town of Milton and Carrick Realty Trust so that the concurrent demolition of the Town-owned building at 0 Central Avenue and the Carrick Building at 131 Eliot Street shall be completed by November 30, 2014.
11. The Board discussed the October Special Town Meeting warrant and whether to defer articles #5, #18 and #19.

J. Thomas Hurley moved and Denis F. Keohane seconded that the October Special Town Meeting warrant be reopened and articles #5, #18 and #19 removed and the warrant closed.

Following discussion, Mr. Keohane offered a friendly amendment that only article #5 be removed from the warrant. Mr. Hurley accepted the friendly amendment and the Board voted unanimously to remove article #5 (Appropriation for Planting Trees) from the October Special Town Meeting warrant.

J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted 2-1-0, with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, J. Thomas Hurley voting yes and Denis F. Keohane voting no, to remove Articles #18 (gift acceptance and relocation of the Swift Hat House) and #19 (transfer of property from the Board of Park Commissioners to the Board of Selectmen) from the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve and close the October Special Town Meeting warrant.

12. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Amy Dexter, J. Thomas Hurley, Leroy Walker, Kevin Sorgi, Michael Hale, Edward L. Duffy, Christopher Huban and William Ritchie to the Capital Improvement Planning Committee to serve through August 2015  
  
J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Stephen O'Donnell, Bryan C. Cheney, and Dudley Lane to the Historical Commission to serve through September 2015.
13. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve a one day liquor license to the Milton Art Center for a fund raising event that will take place on October 5, 2014 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at 334 Edge Hill Road.
14. Ms. Conlon reported on the recent retirement celebration for Deputy Fire Chief John Foley and Firefighter Joseph Garrity and the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration/flag dedication for M. Joseph Manning that took place this evening at Town Hall. Ms. Conlon also reported that the Board had received and will respond to a letter from Friends of the Ulin Rink regarding the management of the Rink.
15. Mr. Hurley requested that the Board look into the concerns of the Council on Aging about not keeping pace with other communities in providing services to the elderly population in Milton.
16. A discussion on the Swift Hat property and the FY16 budget/5 year financial plan was requested for inclusion in the next agenda.
17. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously at 9:03 p.m. to recess the Board of Selectmen's meeting to convene a meeting of the Trustees of the Governor Stoughton Fund.
18. Ms. Conlon reconvened the Selectmen's meeting at 9:05 p.m.
19. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously at 9:06 p.m. with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, Denis F. Keohane voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes to enter executive Session to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual believing that having this conversation in open session would have a compromising effect on the bargaining position of the body and to return to open session to adjourn.
20. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:25 p.m.