

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY JANUARY 6, 2015

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

1. Chair Conlon convened a meeting of the Board at 7:12 p.m. in the Cronin Conference Room.
2. The Board met with Public Works Director Joseph Lynch to discuss applications for two MAPC Technical Assistance grants to further the study of the creation of a "Stormwater Utility" in Milton.

After discussion, Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve a request from the Department of Public Works to apply for two (2) MAPC Technical Assistance Grants to further the pilot study of creating a "Stormwater Utility" in Milton as follows: one in conjunction with the Neponset Stormwater Partnership, pledging the same \$5,000 match previously pledged to the CIC grant project, and one with no financial match necessary, and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign letters of support for both grant applications.

3. The Board continued a public hearing from December 18, 2014, for an appeal by Mary Moore on behalf of her deceased parents for unbilled sewer charges for the property at 329 Canton Avenue. Assistant Town Administrator Michael Blanchard, acting as the Appeals Officer for the Board, conducted a hearing on November 13, 2014 and denied the request for relief.

After a careful review of the application and the hearing process, J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to not grant relief for the four year period of unbilled sewer charges for the property at 329 Canton Avenue.

4. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the following meeting minutes: November 12 (as amended) 19 and 26, 2014.
5. The Board confirmed January 12 and 25, 2015 as future meeting dates.
6. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the current payroll and vendor warrants.
7. Cindy Christiansen, 59 Collamore Street, addressed the Board regarding traffic and pedestrian issues in the East Milton square area.

Harriet Manning, 89 Wendell Park and Janet Christensen, 24 Gordon Road, addressed the Board in support of saving the Swift Hat Shop building.

8. The Board discussed the annual town meeting articles.

The Board discussed boiler plate articles #2, #3 and #4 (Treasurer Articles) and will consult with Town Counsel regarding the potential duplicate nature of them.

The Board discussed Article #2 (Town Administrator), an article to strengthen the authority of the Town Administrator and to transition the Board of Selectmen to a policy setting board. Ms. Conlon informed the Board that MMA representative Charles Cristello will be attending the January 12 Board meeting to discuss the process for creating a strong Town Administrator.

The Board discussed Article #3, (Establish Audit Committee). Mr. Hurley suggested some language changes and agreed with the intent of the article.

The Board discussed Article #4 (Meeting Quorum), Article #5 (Establish Bylaw Review Committee), Article #6 (Establish Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund), Article #7 (Establish Information Technology Committee), Article #8 (Affordable Housing Trust Appropriation).

The Board discussed Article #9 (Establish Ulin Rink Operations Enterprise Fund). Mr. Hurley discussed the need for a long term lease for the rink and the establishment of an enterprise fund.

Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to submit Article #9 for consideration by the 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

The Board discussed Article #10 (Transfer of land on Adams Street from the Park Department to the Board of Selectmen) and Article #11 (Authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept property located at 98 Adams Street, the Swift Hat Shop). The Board discussed the appointment of a committee that would preserve the Swift Hat Shop property. After discussion, J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to submit Articles #10 and #11 for consideration by the 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

The Board discussed Article #12 (Additional FY14 Reserve Fund appropriation) and Article #13 (Safe Routes to School Easement).

After discussion, Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to submit Article #13, for consideration by the 2015 Annual Town Meeting. Article #13 will allow the Town to make sidewalk/traffic improvements to the Glover School area that will meet the requirements of the Safe Routes to School Program.

The Board discussed Article #14 (Establish Special Purpose Stabilization Fund), The purpose of Article #14 is to raise funds (ahead of borrowing) for the repair/replacements of failing town structures.

After discussion, Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to submit Article #14 for consideration by the 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to submit Article #15 (Home Rule Petition-Liquor License-The Plate) for consideration by the 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

The Board discussed Article #16 (Citizens Petition Illuminated Signage Moratorium) and Article #17 (Citizens Petition-Condominium Planned Unit Development).

9. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Lisa Coull, 41 Robbins Street, to the position of Financial Analyst in the Central Business Office contingent upon approval by the Personnel Board.
10. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve and sign a proclamation reaffirming the Board's support of the "No Place for Hate" program in the Town of Milton.
11. The Town Administrator updated the Board on the closure of Town Hall on December 30, the Deer Run property and refunded bonds.
12. Future agenda items will include a discussion on the Town's financial policies and the PILOT program.
13. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, Denis F. Keohane voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes at 8:57 p.m. to enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation (Thayer Nursery) believing that having this discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body and to release executive session meeting minutes and to return to open session to adjourn.
14. Denis F. Keohane moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:50 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 6, 2015

Kathleen M. Conlon moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, Denis F. Keohane voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes at 8:57 p.m. to enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation (Thayer Nursery) believing that having this discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body and to release executive session meeting minutes and to return to open session to adjourn.

1. The Board met with Building Commissioner Joseph Prondak and Attorneys David DeLuca and Lauren Galvin to discuss zoning violations at Thayer Nursery noted at a December 18 site visit and a follow up site visit today. Mr. Prondak reported that the former artisan shops were closed but there were still three landscape trucks on the property and the barn was filled with firewood. Because the artisan shop has closed and there are no current violations, the Board decided not to bring a contempt proceeding at this time. The Board instructed Mr. Prondak to advise Maggie Oldfield of the importance of staying in compliance with the Board of Appeals' orders and that any further violations will lead to contempt proceeding to be filed.
2. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, Denis F. Keohane voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes to release to the public the following 2013 executive session meeting minutes: March 28, April 17 (item #3 & item #5 withheld), May 2 (item #3 withheld), May 9 (item #2 withheld), May 13 (item #1 withheld), June 6 (item #1 withheld), June 20 (item #2 withheld), July 24, August 14 (items #1 & #2 withheld), August 21 (item #1 withheld), September 19 (item #2 withheld), October 3 (item #1 withheld).
3. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, J. Thomas Hurley seconded and the Board voted unanimously with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, Denis F. Keohane voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes at 9:50 p.m. to return to open session to adjourn.

MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GOVERNOR STOUGHTON FUND
JANUARY 6, 2015

The Trustees convened a meeting at 7:10 p.m. in the Cronin Conference Room of the Town Hall.

1. The Board met with Planning Director William Clark to discuss the definition of the buffer zone for the Pulte Homes plan for the development of the Town Farm property.

J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Trustees voted unanimously to approve a further extension of the Due Diligence Period granted to Pulte Homes of New England, LLC to January 13, 2015.

2. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Denis F. Keohane seconded and the Board voted unanimously at 7:12 p.m. to adjourn.