

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2016

In attendance: J. Thomas Hurley, David T. Burnes, Kathleen M. Conlon, Annemarie Fagan, Town Administrator, Emily R. Martin, Executive Secretary

1. Chairman J. Thomas Hurley convened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. in the Blute Conference Room at the Town Hall of Milton.
2. The Board confirmed March 8 and March 22, 2016 as its future meeting dates.
3. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the current payroll and vendor warrants.
4. Members of the Town/School Consolidation Committee Michael Zullas, Richard Neely and Philip Mathews discussed the Committee's recommendation that the Town create a Chief Procurement Officer position in order to streamline the ordering process and complete purchases on similar items under a bidding process to maximize savings. The Board thanked the Committee for its recommendation.
5. Police Chief Richard Wells read a statement to the Board regarding its vote to not renew his contract on February 16, 2016. Chairman Hurley noted that there were several inaccuracies in the Chief's statement regarding the contract negotiations. Town Administrator Fagan and the Board agreed, and Ms. Fagan stated that she will meet with Chief Wells to discuss the inaccuracies.
6. Lieutenant Mark Alba reported on the January 21, 2016 meeting of the Traffic Commission, and presented the proposed changes to the bylaws.

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations of the Traffic Commission as follows:

- Article V, Section 6
Eliot Street – to designate four parking spaces beginning at the southerly property line of 64 Eliot Street to the northerly property line of 74 Eliot Street as "Service Zone"
- Article V, Section 7B
Church Street – to designate the parking spaces on the easterly side of Church Street between Duggan Lane northerly to the "No Parking Here To Corner" sign at Adams Street as "2 Hour Parking" ("1 Hour" designation was voted at September 22, 2015 Traffic Commission meeting).

Eliot Street – to designate the first four parking spaces on the Boston side of Eliot Street beginning at the property line of 95 Eliot Street northerly to the front entrance of 50 Eliot Street as "2 Hour Parking"

7. The Board discussed the Police Chief Screening Committee, determining each member would nominate one resident at its next meeting on March 8 and that Town Administrator Fagan should reach out to the Personnel Board and Milton Police Department to ask them to appoint members, as required by the Town's bylaws.
8. Kathleen M. Conlon informed that Board that a member of the Town Administrator Search Committee, Mary Riffe Hiss, had suggested some changes to the Committee's charge. The Board deferred approving the charge until the suggestions could be considered.
9. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, David T. Burnes seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to extend the deadline for the concurrent demolition of the Town-owned property at 0 Central Avenue and the Carrick Realty Trust property at 131 Eliot Street from March 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.
10. Attorney Marion McEttrick presented proposed changes to the Common Victualler and Entertainment Licenses for Abby Park and Novara, noting that amplified music had been a concern and is addressed in the amended licenses with the statement of "The projection of sound of any type should not exceed what would be considered normal standards for restaurant background music and should not exceed levels of what would intrude on surrounding neighbors."

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded and suggested a friendly amendment to add "as presented" to the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the changes in the Common Victualler license for Abby Park at 550 Adams Street and Novara at 556B Adams Street as presented.

11. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve three One Day Liquor Licenses for the Milton Art Center at 334 Edge Hill Road, for concerts to be held on March 12, April 23 and May 14, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
12. Attorney McEttrick addressed the Board regarding a new proposal for a 10 lot development to be constructed on a lot off of Hillside Street and Ford Ranch Road. There had previously been an 11 lot development proposed, but the builder has worked with residents to determine the 10 lot number. Attorney McEttrick requested a letter of support from the Board to be submitted when the plan is submitted to the Planning Board. A letter had been previously drafted to support the 11 lot proposal. Ms. Conlon suggested editing that letter and submitting it to the Planning Board with the application. Chairman Hurley agreed, stating the Board could vote to approve the letter in substance and edit it accordingly.

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to sign and forward to the Planning Board a letter in support of a ten lot cluster development on the property on Hillside Street.

13. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Walter McDermott of 95 Clapp Street and Paul Hopkins of 87 Meagher Avenue to the Radio Amateur Communications Emergency System Committee (RACES) through February 2017.
14. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Kurt Fraser of 35 Norman Street to the Telecommunication Design Review Committee, to serve through February 2017.
15. Chairman Hurley reported on a conversation he had with the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) regarding the Ulin Rink in which the DCR expressed support for a 25 year lease with the Town.
16. A second reading of the Town's financial policies, PILOT and Ulin Rink were listed as future agenda items.
17. J. Thomas Hurley moved, David T. Burnes seconded and the Board voted unanimously with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, David T. Burnes voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes at 8:17 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of approving Executive Session meeting minutes, and to discuss strategy with respect to litigation (Patricia Kelly case), believing that having such discussions in Open Session would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the Board, and to return to Open Session for the purpose of adjournment.
18. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.