

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES – June 23, 2014**

7:00 p.m. - Selectmen's Meeting Room, 63 Main Street, Northborough, MA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dawn Rand, Chairman
Jeff Amberson, Vice Chairman
Leslie Rutan, Clerk
William Pantazis
Jason Perreault

*Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 9, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

Selectman Amberson moved the Board vote to approve the meeting minutes of the June 9, 2014 regular meeting as submitted; Selectman Rutan seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

REPORTS

Jason Perreault

- No report.

William Pantazis

- No report.

Leslie Rutan, Clerk

- Thanked School Superintendent Charles Gobron for his service and wished him well in his retirement.
- Thanked DPW Director Dan Nason for his recent Water Quality Report that was distributed to all residents in Town.

Jeff Amberson, Vice Chairman

- Noted that Tavern in the Square is now open.
- Congratulated Police Officer Thomas McDonald on his recent graduation from the Police Academy.

Dawn Rand, Chairman

- Thanked DPW Director Dan Nason for addressing a sinking manhole cover on Pleasant Street.

John Coderre, Town Administrator

- No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF WESTBOROUGH SPRINT TRIATHLON EVENT

Mr. Coderre informed the Board that Mark Walter of Sun Multisport Events, LLC has again requested permission to allow cyclists to ride through the Town of Northborough as part of the annual Westborough Sprint Triathlon. The event will begin and end in Westborough on the grounds of the State Hospital. The race starts at 8am and cyclists should be finished passing through Northborough by 9:30am on Sunday, August 17th.

The application has been reviewed and approved by Chief Leahy. The Fire Chief is also aware of the event and recommends approval with the condition that the applicant be required to schedule the presence of an ambulance and two fire department personnel during the timeframe that the cyclists are scheduled to run through town.

Selectman Pantazis moved the Board vote to approve a request from Mark Walter to allow the Westborough Sprint Triathlon to run through the Town of Northborough on August 17, 2014 with the condition that the applicant shall be responsible for the strict adherence to the agreed-upon plan with the Northborough Police Department, as well as any and all related expenses with regard to an EMS detail as required by the Fire Chief; Selectman Rutan seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

REAPPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS

Selectman Rutan moved the Board vote to reappoint all twenty-one (21) sworn members of the Northborough Police Department for a three-year term, effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 as listed in the Police Chief's memo dated June 10, 2014; Selectman Pantazis seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC CONTROL WEAPON (ECW) TASER POLICY

Police Chief Mark Leahy informed the Board that the goal of the Electronic Control Weapon (ECW) Taser Policy is to reduce the opportunity for officer injuries when dealing with combative persons, to reduce injuries to the defendants, and to reduce the Town's potential liability in that this policy will allow officers the option of not having to rely on deadly force.

Following a brief presentation, several questions and comments were heard by members of the Board.

Selectman Amberson moved the Board vote to approve the Electronic Control Weapon (ECW) Taser Policy as presented by Police Chief Mark Leahy; Selectman Rutan seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

EXECUTION OF CEMETERY DEEDS A941 & A942

Selectman Perreault moved the Board vote to execute Cemetery Deeds A941 & A942; Selectman Pantazis seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Selectman Amberson moved the Board vote to adjourn; Selectman Pantazis seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Foster
Assistant Town Administrator

Documents used during meeting:

1. June 23, 2014 Meeting Agenda.
2. June 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes.
3. Information packet – Westborough Sprint Triathlon.
4. Memo – Reappointment of Police Officers.
5. Information packet – Electronic Control Weapon (ECW) Taser Policy.
6. Cemetery Deeds A941 & A942.