

**Town of Princeton, MA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting
June 25, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairman - Joe O'Brien, Members - Raymond Dennehy, Alan Sentkowski and Town Administrator - Dennis Rindone.

FY07 Warrant #26

The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and vendor warrants from the Treasurer & Accountant.

Minutes

June 11, 2007- Regular Meeting – Alan made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

June 11, 2007 Executive Session - Alan made a motion to accept the minutes. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Fire Chief Ray LaPorte Sign New Contract

The Board agreed to a one year contract for Ray LaPorte with the option to extend for 2 years. Joe made a motion to sign Ray's new contract. Alan seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Highway Superintendent Glenn Lyons Sign New Working Agreement

Alan moved to enter into the employment agreement between the town of Princeton and Highway Superintendent for a term to run July 2007 through June 30, 2010. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Annual Roads Maintenance Program Update- Glenn Lyons

Chip Sealing repaired 11,000 feet of roads for \$50,000.00 during the past year.

Annual Award Bids

Alan moved to accept the following bids related to Highway Department expenses. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0)

- Massachusetts Broken Stone - Bituminous Concrete for Top and Binder
- Murray Paving & Reclamation – Road Reclamation
- Crack Sealing, Inc. - Crack Sealing
- All States Asphalt, Inc. – Asphalt Oils & Equipment Rental except for Paver Machine
- Templeton Paving Co., Inc. – Paver Machine
- Radio Oil Company, Inc. – Fuel

Selectman 6/13/07 Working Retreat

The Board and Dennis discussed the Retreat and all felt it was a successful meeting. They reviewed goals from last year and set goals and objectives for the coming year. All agreed it would be a busy year ahead.

Results of Short & Long Term Goals for Selectmen and Administrator

Raymond moved to adopt Selectmen goals of FY08 as worked on at the retreat on June 13, 2007 and formally accepted on June 25, 2007. Joe seconded.

Alan moved to accept the performance plan and priority performance objectives set for Town Administrator Dennis Rindone as discussed at the Retreat and formally accepted as part of his performance plan on June 25, 2007. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Annual Appointments

Alan moved to appoint the persons listed to various committees as presented on the Appointment list dated 6/25/07 to a term of varying lengths with the exception of Advisory Board (many people are interested so it will take some time to decide).

Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Alan abstained from appointing himself as Election Officer.

CIP Appointments

Alan moved to reappoint the following members to the CIP Improvement Planning Committee. Joe seconded. All in favor (3-0).

- Stan Moss for a term to expire June 10, 2010.
- James O'Coin for a term to expire June 30, 2009.
- Fred Pape for a term to expire June 20, 2008

At this time there are two vacant seats available.

Memorial Day Committee

The Board discussed the committee and commented on the great job by Pasty Mollica and other volunteers. Patsy will be asked to recommend volunteers to assist her and the Board will make appointments at that time.

Parks & Recreation Committee

Alan made a motion to change the Parks & Recreation Committee to a five-member board with three year staggered appointments plus one alternate. Joe seconded. All in favor (3-0).

CMRPC

There are two members. Both the Selectmen and Planning Board appoint one member.

Princeton Center Management Committee

Raymond made a motion to appoint Mike Ivaska to the Princeton Center. Joe seconded. All in favor (3-0).

There are currently two volunteer openings.

Master Plan Implementation Committee

The Master Plan Implementation Committee will consist of five members. Dennis will be one of them. The Committee will advise the Planning and Select Board on setting priorities and be responsible for advising the Boards on important elements. The Select Board will write a summary describing the charter. Raymond will draft summary with the scope.

Reserve Fund Transfer

Joe moved to transfer from the Reserve Fund account #01-5-132-780 in accordance with the provision of MA General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6 as follows:

Reserve Fund Transfer - continued

\$438.60 to account #01-5-491-780 - Cemetery Expense Account for gasoline and \$96.04 for cemetery expenses. Alan seconded. All in favor (3-1).

Joe moved to transfer from Salary to Expense the amount of \$1000.00 from the Fire Salary account #01-5-220-100 to the Fire Expense Account #01-5-220-780 to defray cost of damage to fire truck during a large brush fire in May. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

FY08 Cherry Sheet

The Board reviewed the FY08 cherry sheet. The town received an additional \$20,000.00 over last year's amount.

Library Project

The grant application request to the state was for \$50,000. The town was awarded \$47,000. Dennis will send a letter of acceptance and as coordinator will attend the meeting in Boston on July 12, 2007.

Town Website

Dennis discussed future changes to the website. Virtual Town Hall Software Company will visit the Town Hall in the near future to discuss options. Pauline Shire is currently contracted as the Town Webmaster through December 31, 2007.

Longevity Payment Schedule

Longevity checks will be issued at the Employee Appreciation Barbeque.

Town Flyers in PMLD Mailings

Guidelines will be set up between PMLD and the Town Hall regarding flyers in light bills.

PMLD Services to Krashes Fields

PMLD will donate and install 4 utility poles, PVC conduit, and labor to install 4 lighting fixtures and labor and wiring to connect lighting on poles for basketball court with a value of \$3000.00.

PMLD will also donate and install 3 utility poles and guy wires for a safety fence behind the left soccer field with a value of \$1,500.00

The Board approves and appreciates these services and will send a thank you letter.

PMLD Issues

PMLD Attorneys will review the 85/15 health insurance split.

PMLD will pay legal fees according to minutes from a past Select Board meeting. Dennis met with John and he agreed to pay the fees.

Borrowing for Wind Farm will go through the Attorney General.

Eagle Scout Court of Honor

Raymond will check his calendar and may attend the July 1, 2007 award ceremony for Brendan Greeley.

DCR Correspondence

The Board reviewed DCR correspondence for eminent domain taking of 37 acres of landlocked land.

Bentley Working Group

Bentley working group met with DCR to discuss possibilities, DCR is considering involvement. Joe drafted a thank you letter to DCR from the Board. Alan made a motion to sign the letter. Raymond seconded. All in favor (3-0).

ALS Ambulance Study Committee Update

Ann Littlefield, Chairman provided an update on the work accomplished to date. The committee completed a detailed survey of a group of other communities with regard to how they provide ALS Services. Four issues were identified: Paramedic 24/7 staffing, Operations, Financial, and Vehicles. The committee will provide another update in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM. All were in favor (3-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Savoie
Administrative Secretary