

MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
June 12, 2012

Present at the meeting that was held at the Town Building were Selectmen Gary Bernklow, Donald Hawkes, Charles Kern, Thomas Ryan, and James Salvie.

Also present were Town Administrator William Wrigley and Administrative Assistant Susan McLaughlin.

Mr. Kern called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Input

None.

Chair's Comments

Mr. Kern reminded Town committee chairs and department heads to submit their final fiscal year 2012 invoices.

Town Administrator's Activities Report

Mr. Wrigley reported the following:

- Due to a requested change by the union to the Public Employees Local 1156 contract, it will not come before the Board for two more weeks.
- He hopes for a win-win resolution to the Star Tower litigation with the Town, regarding a cell tower on Wedgewood Pines. The Planning Board and ZBA are discussing the issue.
- The Town and its neighbors have been awarded a Community Innovative Challenge Grant to assess local transportation needs. The intent is to answer questions such as whether the Town's COA vans could be shared with other towns to be more efficient. Mr. Wrigley recommended that the Town's COA Director should represent Stow.

Mr. Hawkes said that Stow's Veterans' Services Officer is also working on a transportation project and Mr. Wrigley agreed to follow up with him.

- He and Chief McLaughlin are working with their counterparts in Boxborough and Littleton to obtain a FEMA grant for communications equipment. These three towns are the last in the area still using low-bandwidth communication.

Meeting Minutes

- **April 10:** Mr. Ryan moved to accept the April 10, 2012 minutes, as amended; Mr. Bernklow seconded; and all voted in favor, with Mr. Hawkes abstaining.
- **April 24 open session:** Mr. Ryan moved to accept the April 24, 2012 open session minutes, as amended; Mr. Salvie seconded. All voted in favor, with Mr. Hawkes abstaining.
- **April 24 executive session:** Mr. Salvie moved to accept the April 24, 2012 executive session minutes, as written; Mr. Ryan seconded. All voted in favor with Mr. Hawkes abstaining.
- **May 16:** Mr. Hawkes moved to accept the May 16, 2012 minutes, as written; Mr. Bernklow seconded; and all voted in favor with Mr. Kern abstaining.

Update on Lake Boon Herbicide Treatments

Mr. Hawkes gave a brief update on weed treatment at Lake Boon. On June 6, an airboat applied herbicide to Basins 3 and 4 and to part of Basin 2. The herbicide needs a heavier application to be effective, so booster treatments will be done on June 20 and July 5. A new invasive plant, Starwort, has appeared in the First Basin, which is now being treated.

The herbicide requires a restriction on irrigation. Residents should not use lake water for watering until after July 5. The lake is safe for swimming. See the Lake Boon Association website for updates.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Greater New England Chapter 4th Annual Minuteman Bike Ride

With the Society having met all the Town's insurance and public safety requirements, Mr. Salvie moved to approve the 4th annual National MS Society Minuteman Bike Ride through Stow on July 14, 2012; Mr. Hawkes seconded; and all voted in favor.

Appointment of Special Police Officers

On the recommendation of Police Chief Bosworth, Mr. Ryan moved to appoint the following people as special police officers, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013:

- Samantha Howard
- Mark Trefry
- Richard Manley

Mr. Hawkes seconded and all voted in favor.

Appointment to the Conservation Commission

Cortni Frecha visited the Board to express her interest in being a member of the Conservation Commission and to present her qualifications.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Ryan moved, on the recommendation of the Conservation Commission, to appoint Cortni Frecha to the Commission to fill the remainder of an unexpired three-year term, ending June 30, 2014. Mr. Hawkes seconded and all voted in favor.

Correction of Agricultural Commission appointment

The term that newest member David Buchholz was appointed to had to be corrected. The Board voted, as follows, to do so.

Mr. Bernklow moved to rescind the Board's May 29 2012 appointment of David Buchholz to the Agricultural Commission for a term ending June 30, 2015 and further moved to appoint David Buchholz to the Commission to fill the remainder of an unexpired three-year term, ending June 30, 2013. Mr. Salvie seconded and all voted in favor.

Annual July 1 appointments

Mr. Bernklow moved to make the following appointments of individuals and committee members, the positions having been duly posted and, for which the applicants have applied:

Agricultural Commission, for a three-year term ending June 30, 2015

- Dwight Sipler
- Kathy Steege

Assabet River Rail Trail Intermunicipal Steering Committee, Stow representative, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Donald B. Rising

Conservation Commission, for a three-year term ending June 30, 2015

- Rebecca Mattison

Emergency Management Officer, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Michael McLaughlin, Fire Chief

Local Access Channel Advisory Committee, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2014

- Robert Glorioso
- Len Golder
- Lisa Lavina

NRSD Audit Committee, Stow representative, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Henry Hagopian III

Randall Relief Fund, Randall Town Fund, and Town Farm Fund for a three-year term ending June 30, 2015

- Louise Peacock

Recreation Commission, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Timothy Allaire
- Eric Bachtell
- Patricia Bolton
- Michael Busch
- John Sangermano

Registrar of Voters, for a three-year term ending June 30, 2015

- John Mileski

Springfest Organizing Committee, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2014

- Alice "Pennie" Cushing
- Laura Folsom

Stow Municipal Affordable Housing Trust, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2014

- Cynthia Perkins
- Trish Settles

Street Numbers, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Catherine Desmond

Tree Warden, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Bruce E. Fletcher

Veterans' Graves Committee, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Jeffrey J. Lance
- Philip Moseley

Town Counsel, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Jonathan D. Witten, Huggins & Witten, LLC

Superintendent of Streets, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Michael E. Clayton

Zoning Board of Appeals, for a five-year term ending June 30, 2017

- Michele Shoemaker
- Bruce Fletcher, Associate
- Ruth Kennedy Sudduth, Associate

Firefighters – full-time, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- John Paul Benoit, Captain
- Barry Evers
- Mark W. Guerin
- Gregory A. Vogel

On Call Firefighters/EMTs, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Richard Connelly, Captain
- Timothy Gray, Lieutenant
- Eoin Bohnert
- James Byrne
- Christopher Camelio
- Gage Cummings
- Charles Dunnigan
- Shannon Eichorn
- Jeremy Fiorvanti
- Jason Galofaro
- Jonathan Gray
- James Kissane
- Mark Latta
- Walter Latta
- Christopher Lazuka
- Jeremy Lyons
- Jonathan Murphy
- James Ruggiero
- Michael Scimeca
- Robert Smart
- Susan Siewierski
- John Stone
- Judson Swinimer
- George Taylor
- Michael Trioli
- Matt Vickory
- Keith Villa
- Christopher J. Whitley

On Call Firefighters, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Barrett Dilling
- Paul Dudley
- Scott Dwinells
- Todd Jakubek
- Matt Magazu
- Scott Morse, Jr.
- George Nunez
- Larry Stafford
- Ryan Swan
- Sean White

Apprentice Firefighters, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Erick Benoit
- Kevin Benoit
- John Bertonassi
- Josh Clement
- Ben Latta
- Dan Nathan

Honorary Firefighters, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Steve Landry
- Eddie Warren

Special Police Officers, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Robert E. Blanton
- Jonathan Butler
- John Connors
- John Fantasia
- James F. Finneran
- Lee Heron
- Enrico Maldari
- Michael Smith

Prisoner Watch, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Rachel Belanger
- Deborah Richardson
- Darlene Trefry
- Phyllis Tower
- Richard Tower

Auxiliary Police Officers, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Darlene Trefry

Dispatchers, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2013

- Jonathan Butler
- John Fantasia
- Samantha Howard

- Darlene D. Trefry
- Justine St John (part-time)
- Nancy L. Campbell (part-time)

Mr. Ryan seconded and all voted in favor.

Annual Selectmen's Committee Memberships and Liaison Appointments

Mr. Hawkes moved to adopt the FY 13 committee memberships and liaison assignments, as amended tonight; Mr. Ryan seconded and all voted in favor. The list adopted by the Board is as follows:

Selectmen's FY13 Committee Assignments and Liaisons/Contacts

Committee Memberships

Capital Planning Committee	Charlie Kern, 2 years, ending 6/30/13
Community Center Building Committee	Charlie Kern, to Nov 2012 Town Mtg
Elementary School Building Committee	Charlie Kern, indefinite term
Fire Station Building Committee	Tom Ryan, to Nov 2012 Town Meeting
Local Access Channel Advisory Committee	Gary Bernklow, 2 years, ending 6/30/14
MAPC Selectmen's Alternate	Don Hawkes, 1 year, ending 6/30/13
MAGIC Selectmen's Rep.	Jim Salvie, 1 year, ending 6/30/13
Randall Library Building Committee	Jim Salvie, to Nov 2012 Town Meeting
Stow Municipal Affordable Housing Trust	Jim Salvie, 1 year, ending 6/30/13

Liaisons/Contacts, Annual July 1 - June 30

Community Preservation Committee	Gary Bernklow
Conservation and Open Space Comms	Don Hawkes
Council on Aging	Gary Bernklow
Finance Committee	Gary Bernklow
Fire/Highway/Police	Tom Ryan
Health, Board of	Tom Ryan
Historical Commission	Tom Ryan
Minuteman Regional School District	Charlie Kern
Multi-Use Track Road Committee	Jim Salvie
Nashoba Regional School District	Gary Bernklow
Planning Board	Don Hawkes
Randall Library Trustees	Jim Salvie
Recreation Commission	Tom Ryan
Tri-Town	Don Hawkes
Zoning Board of Appeals	Don Hawkes

Liaison Reports

SMAHT: Gave \$10,000 loan to Stow Community Housing Corp for Pilot Grove II. Also, there is a municipal parcel on Pine Point Road and some foreclosed properties that are buildable for affordable housing.

Multiuse Track Road Committee: On hold pending Dept of Transportation approval. Ok to process Track Road payment.

Tri-Town: There is a possible request for money for high-school science labs at the next Annual Town Meeting. There is no cost estimate yet. Mr. King agreed to keep the three towns better informed.

Energy Committee: Working with Hudson Light & Power. Mr. Wrigley will meet with Mr. Brown on the transition that comes with his retirement.

Randall Library Building Committee: the preliminary report indicates structural issues that will limit the use of certain space.

Elementary School Building Committee: July 20 is the date of Substantial Completion, a major milestone, when the project is down to the punch list.

Police Department: Officer Chris Harrington, who was injured after hitting a moose on Route 2, is doing better. The Police Sergeant Search Team will review the candidates' essays soon.

Fire Station Building Committee: The site is tight.

Cemetery and Recreation: The committees are meeting in an effort to resolve the joint use of Town owned equipment, such as the Kubota and dump truck. Details, such as who operates them and who pays for repairs, need to be worked out.

Correspondence

Life-long Stow resident and dedicated public servant Bill Clayton has resigned from the Cemetery Committee and is moving to South Carolina. The Board wishes to thank him for his service.

The Board received correspondence regarding Minuteman Regional School District, with Belmont's attorney's position on the feasibility study for the capital building project. There is continuing email about out-of-district tuition. This has been an issue for the past two years.

At 8:12 p.m., Mr. Hawkes moved to adjourn; Mr. Salvie seconded; and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan McLaughlin
Administrative Assistant

Approved July 24, 2012