

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –May 21, 2012

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

Present: Mr. Fydenkevez and Mr. Pierce

Absent: Mr. Bergeron

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator

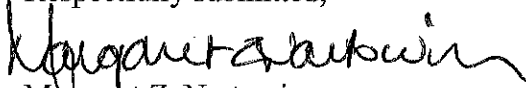
Behind the Camera: Tom Zimnowski

- Call to order at 7:03 p.m.
- FCAT-FY13 Budget. Joyce Palmer-Fortune presented overview of FY12-13 changes. Sunderland Telecommunication Committee (STC) has recommended approval of the FCAT budget. Number of Sunderland subscribers has decreased, so Sunderland's portion is 1.9% less than FY12. Discussion regarding Comcast agreement; Mass Broadband; regional negotiations for license agreement; broadband and television service. Motion to approve FCAT FY13 budget by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Sewer Use Billing-Herb Sanderson-looking to ensure apartment complexes are being billed consistently. 1989 Board of Selectmen letter to Norwood Apts. read by Vice Chair Mr. Pierce. Letter showed consistent past practice with billing complexes for laundry facilities. Cliffside isn't being billed for laundry facilities right now. Mr. Pierce-last inventory was 1996. Time for another inventory to get current numbers. Ms. Nartowicz to ask WWTP operator to conduct inventory and get letters with historical information out to apartment complexes.
- Hampshire Group Insurance Trust employee health plans-annual report required to certify group savings over GIC benchmark. Motion to sign HGIT annual report by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- May 14, 2012 Minutes- Motion to accept May 14, 2012 minutes by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Board of Selectmen committee designations and employee appointments-Hold until June 4th.
- End-of-Year Appropriation Transfers-14 requests read by Vice Chair Mr. Pierce. Motion to approve transfers by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Green Communities Designation Application-Energy Committee members Aaron Falbel and Laura Williams presented energy reduction plan. Mr. Falbel-Town is not obligated to meet all measures in the plan. Ms. Williams created energy baseline inventory. Mr. Falbel-overview of municipal building energy use efficiency, potential projects. Mr. Fydenkevez-maybe look at efficient street lights, WWTP projects. Discussion regarding vehicle fuel efficiency; long-term savings. Mr. Fydenkevez-Selectmen should send letter to Berkshire Gas to run natural gas line to center of town. Discussion regarding benefits of GC designation. Motion to approve Energy Reduction Plan by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Animal Control call stipend increase-Request from Dan Potyrala for \$17.50 per call stipend. \$15 per call stipend was set several years ago. Discussion regarding regional animal control; quality of service. Motion to approve request by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Alternate Building Inspector appointment-Request from Erik Wight to appoint Joe Fydenkevez as alternate building inspector. Mr. Fydenkevez-disclosure of relationship (cousin). Rules of necessity require participation in vote to appoint. Motion to appoint Joe Fydenkevez by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0.
- Reminders: Memorial Day Parade Friday May 25th at 6pm. Community Development Strategy updates Public Forum 6:30pm-7pm on June 4th.
- Executive session MGL c.30A, §21, ¶3 (PD wage negotiations) read by Chair, Mr. Fydenkevez and declared open session may have detrimental affect. Motion to enter by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Roll Call Pierce-yes, Fydenkevez-yes. Will reconvene in open session to adjourn. Reconvened in open session at 8:55pm.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator