

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –April 23, 2012
SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES**

Present: Mr. Fydenkevez, Mr. Bergeron and Mr. Pierce

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator; Bob Duby, Town Moderator

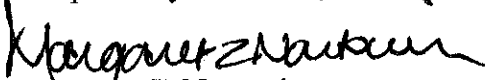
Behind the Camera: Richie Wheeler

- Call to order at 7:02 pm.
- Mr. Bergeron gave an overview of the agenda.
- 1kW solar panel award. WMECO representatives presented award to Sunderland for achieving greatest savings among pilot towns in Western Mass Saves program. 100,000 kWh electricity reduction during program. Mr. Pierce-thanks to all participants who helped the Town lead the way. Mr. Fydenkevez-WMECO is welcome to use Sunderland's local access channel for PSAs related to energy conservation, safety, etc. Tim Merritt-students were instrumental in getting word out to families and reducing residential energy usage. Mr. Bergeron-thanks to WMECO for the improvements over the last several years in electricity transmission throughout town.
- FY13 Budget-Mr. Bergeron gave an overview of budget updates. Use of Free Cash to operating, stabilization, capital stabilization. Explanation of town meeting stabilization vote requirement- 2/3 in & 2/3 out. Mr. Fydenkevez-Hope in future years is to vote a capital plan. Mr. Bergeron-envision one article encompassing all capital. Discussion regarding town meeting budget format. Mr. Bergeron-overview of town meeting articles/motions. Selectmen recommendation missed on ATM Warrant, Article 16. Included on motion sheet. Discussion regarding \$30,000 Capital Stabilization override. If passed, will result in approx. \$.09 increase on the tax rate. Mr. Fydenkevez-discussion regarding education budgets and education funding. Board of Selectmen review of motions. Discussion regarding Hadley Road culvert borrowing motion. Moderator would like to move Hadley Road culvert article (31) to after article (33). Discussion regarding articles which could generate town meeting discussion. Stretch code, solar bylaw, CPA funds for housing studies, sewer expansion study, PSC deficiencies. Motion to remove Article 3 motion language referring to TM budget detail information sheet by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- April 17, 2012 Minutes- Motion to accept minutes by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- April 20, 2012 Minutes- Motion to accept minutes by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- BYOB Policy-Motion to approve policy by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez under duress. Vote 3-0.
- Reminders and updates. Mr. Zimnowski-STC is having issues trying to send signals out of the elementary school. Hoping to have it in working order by town meeting.
- 8:25pm - Executive session C.30A, § 21, ¶7 (Executive Session minutes). Paragraph read by Chair, Mr. Bergeron. Motion to enter by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Roll call vote Pierce=yes, Bergeron=yes, Fydenkevez=yes. Will reconvene in open session only to adjourn. Reconvened in open session at 8:32 pm.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fydenkevez and 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator