

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –September 30, 2013  
SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES**

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

**Absent:**

**Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator**

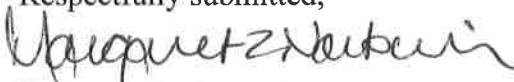
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- Call to order at 7:05 p.m.
- Mr. Bergeron-farewell to Tim Merritt. Tremendous positive impact on community. Town is challenged to continue Tim's legacy. Mr. Fydenkevez-great leaders seldom take credit for what they've done. Tim came to town when the town was fragile. Helped town and school to become one. Mr. Pierce-Tremendous loss. Was face of the school. Reached out to broader community.
- September 16, 2013 Minutes- Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez to accept the minutes for September 16, 2013, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Sunderland Telecommunication Committee (STC)-STC recommendation on website-Mr. Bergeron overview 1. Management of website 2. Website host. Bruce Weston-STC recommendation for Virtual Town Hall (VTH). Discussion regarding web hosting services; design. Mr. Fydenkevez-want to click on up-to-date organized information. Mr. Weston-VTH user friendly; can be customized. Mr. Pierce-getting content on website will still be an issue-departments must update their content. Mr. Weston-VTH easy to navigate around. Easy to use. Requiring departments, boards, and committees to update information would require administrative policy/protocol. Mr. Fydenkevez-VTH will be changing with technology. If we lose David, we'll nothing in place. VTH (private company) may be able to move town into future. Mr. Bergeron-concerns with cost being borne by subscription service (PEG Access). Discussion regarding VTH contract term; changing job descriptions to update website or having webmaster. Mr. Weston-STC's role will be changing and FCAT's role will be changing. Motion to try VTH for a 3 year contract by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Mr. Bergeron-Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> meeting discussion on webmaster functions. Ms. Nartowicz-need to address policy framework. Vote 3-0.
- Berkshire to Boston-Gary Brier-Berkshire to Boston event update. Was a huge success. Expect 200-250 rides next year, as opposed to 100. Guidelines/procedures to be drafted in preparation for net year.
- Regional EMS-Mr. Bergeron-Public forum to tomorrow evening 7pm at Frontier Regional cafeteria. Special Town Meeting upcoming to appropriate funds for the shared EMS service. Mr. Fydenkevez-to get to where we (3 towns) are right now, compromise was required. Mr. Pierce-cooperative effort. Required remaining focused on the goal. SBAB Sunderland Elementary School debt payoff. Mr. Bergeron-history of Town goal to pay off debt in FY14. Overview of history investments at book value. Market adjustments require small supplemental appropriation to pay off debt. Three articles read by clerk, Mr. Fydenkevez. Amended to read, 'up to \$70,000' rather than "\$50,000 more or less".
- Resignation-council on Aging resignation Marion Markwell. Motion to accept with extreme regrets by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Announcements- Fall Festival this Saturday, 10:00am-6:00pm. Regional EMS Public Forum, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> webmaster discussion, STM October 18, 2013, Regional bulky Items Day October 19<sup>th</sup>, 9am-noon. Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz  
Town Administrator