BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES -March 24, 2014

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

Present: Mr. Bergeron, Mr. Fydenkevez, and Mr. Pierce (7:47pm)

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator

Behind the Camera: FCAT

- Call to order at 7:03 p.m.
- Mr. Bergeron gave an overview of the agenda.
- Solar Update-Beth Greenblatt (by phone). Broadway's liquidator has been negotiating transaction costs with the runner-up in Sunderland's proposal selection process. Kiersarge Energy and IESI would like the town to apply for SREC I extension, but confident projects can be built in SREC I. The partners have an extensive portfolio of ground-mount projects in Mass. Company would buy the project LLCs. Mr. Fydenkevez-comfortable with this development and these companies. Will need support from town counsel to ensure Town's requirements are met. Ms. Greenblatt will talk with Ms. Nartowicz tomorrow.
- Annual Town Meeting Warrant review (votes to include)
 - Teacher Retirement Payouts Discussion-Mr. Bergeron gave an overview of funding request and need for long-term planning. Mr. Pierce had noted the value is a 1.8 position equivalent/year. Aimee Zeoli and Doug Fulton-want to reflect what elementary school budget really looks like, rather than see spike in one year and decline the next. Mr. Fydenkevez-need to discuss right mechanism to move forward. Almost have to look at it as capital expense. Question isn't whether to pay or not to pay, but how to plan for it in the future. Discussion regarding funding mechanisms. Ms. Zeoli-School committee has voted its budget and will meet again April 15th. Discussion regarding what constitutes cost of employment; impact on cash reserves; funding source(s). Mr. Bergeron-need to ensure credibility in budgets. Over next week need to come up with some measure of solution to moderate the expense. Mr. Fydenkevez-will look into ways to moderate the expense moving forward. Discussion regarding enrollment trends, retaining students. Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 2-0.
 - o Veterans' Benefits (FY14) Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Capital Stabilization Funding Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Capital Budget Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - Special Legislation for call firefighter Jim Bielunis Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Technology Audit Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Volume III Design Work Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkeyez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Personnel Bylaws Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Dog Bylaws Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Inter-municipal Lease Agreement Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - o Unpaid bills of prior fiscal years Motion to include by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
 - Acceptance of Swampfield Drive as public way Passed over until next week. (Need bounds)
 - o EMS appropriation transfer removed. Will use end-of-year process.
- March 17, 2014 Minutes Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez to accept the minutes for March 17, 2014, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Board of Selectmen Updates Mr. Fydenkevez-Regional EMS. Selected director withdrew last week.
 Position was then offered to Zachary Smith. Mr. Bergeron-Police Department negotiations last week.
 Upcoming sessions are scheduled. Frontier/Towns Capital Definitions Committee will meet this Thursday.
- Town Administrator Updates Green Communities, DLTA funding for Master Plan chapter updates, TIP-North Main Street project; FCTPO meeting on April 10th to discuss project requests for FY18 TIP. Mr. Fydenkevez-Reminder Senior appreciation lunch. Senior Center events, programs and services.
- One-Day Liquor License Policy & Application Amendments Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Board of Health Revolving Fund -Motion to increase Board of Health Revolving Fund expenditure by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.

• Town Office Building Steps - Discussion regarding concrete reconstruction cost vs. granite/brick & design work costs.

Mr. Bergeron-Next week's meeting almost exclusively budget and capital.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Z. Nartowicz

Town Administrator