

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –May 12, 2014

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

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

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator

Behind the Camera: FCAT

- Call to order at 7:03 p.m.
- May 5, 2014 Minutes- Motion by Mr. Pierce to accept the minutes for May 5, 2014, 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0.
- Board Updates – Mr. Bergeron-Police Department contract negotiations are ongoing. Getting closer to revenue discussions and compensation issues. Mr. Pierce-working on budget/state aid graphs for future budget discussions. Mr. Fydenkevez-this Saturday is Regional Bulky Day; closest location Whately Transfer Station. Regional EMS-clarification that SCEMS name is not being changed. Service update-experienced a few glitches in the first few days, and those have been worked out.
- Berkshire to Boston Bike Tour-Gary Briere gave an overview of tour itinerary. Organizers would arrive Thursday morning September 18th and riders would arrive Thursday afternoon. Every effort is made to support local businesses. Looking to increase ridership in sustainable way. Last year there were 90 riders, this year about 150. Discussion regarding coordination of facilities and public safety. Review of draft Use of Recreation Fields checklist. Board to vote on checklist next week. Mr. Pierce-want to schedule EDC meeting. Discussion regarding tie in between economic development and healthy transportation and recreation. Mr. Briere-update on meeting regarding Master Plan Transportation/Circulation chapter and Community Pathways study. Collaboration between two initiatives will result in better products. Mr. Fydenkevez-Be sure FRCOG meets deliverables and timeline.
- Highway Superintendent Update - George Emery gave roads update. Using state 'pothole' money for specific road areas, and Ch. 90 funds for other scheduled road work. Discussion regarding scheduled work on Silver Lane, Reservation Road, Falls Road and Claybrook Drive. Discussion regarding mountain roads maintenance; road salt. Mr. Fydenkevez-discussion at last CPC meeting regarding sidewalks. Look at plan for sidewalks on Plumtree Road and South Main Street, possibly over multiple years. Silver Lane roadway is exceptionally wide. Could possibly look into widening breakdown lane for bicycles, etc. Discussion regarding sidewalk maintenance. Mr. Fydenkevez-Town may possibly have to look at changing bylaw. Could get report from Highway Superintendent on a sidewalks plan and schedule public forum in the fall to discuss feasibility. Mr. Bergeron-could discuss methods and materials as discussions evolve.
- Town Administrator Updates - TIP meeting and MAFC capital planning round table. Summer Project-Develop calendar/timeline for Board of Selectmen tasks; incorporate other departments.
- Capital Planning-discussion regarding capital planning, committee bylaw, timeline for Board of Selectmen vote on additional tax levy and town meeting votes. Bring back capital discussion in a few weeks.
- Fire Collaboration Working Group - Mr. Bergeron-suggest possibly Richard Dickinson and Jim Bielunis to serve with the Fire Chief.
- Board of Selectmen Summer Schedule-Motion to adopt summer schedule by Mr. Bergeron, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Fiscal discussion – Mr. Fydenkevez-suggest beginning with Town and School Administrators meeting, then schedule multi-town & district meeting.
- Next meeting May 19th. Mr. Fydenkevez-overview of gas pipeline meeting with FRCOG. Sunderland will be represented.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2nd by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator