

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –May 19, 2014  
SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES**

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

**Absent: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator**

**Behind the Camera: FCAT**


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- Call to order at 6:09 p.m.
- Executive session MGL c.30A, § 21, ¶2 read by Vice Chair, Mr. Pierce. Motion to enter into executive session by Mr. Bergeron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Bergeron-yes, Pierce-yes. Mr. Fydenkevez absent.
- Reconvened in open session at 7:10 p.m. Mr. Fydenkevez present.
- Energy Committee presentation – Aaron Falbel, Scott Reed, Ellie Kastanopoulis. Mr. Falbel reviewed “FRESH” program lead into Sunderland Energy Smart Homes. Reviewed the value of canvassing with information presented in person. Spoke to how to be a “follower and feed into a movement” of energy efficient homes. Reviewed the proposal of a pilot project through grant funding from New England Grass Roots Environmental Fund (NEGREF). This will kick start the “FRESH” program. Ms. Kastanopoulis discussed the program in Greenfield is quite successful and the conversations were excellent. Board discussed the Town as fiscal sponsor. Motion to authorize proceeding with grant application for Sunderland FRESH program outreach by Mr. Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0.
- Frontier Community Access Television (FCAT) – Coming year's budget presented by Executive Director, Doug Finn. Fiscal strength through staffing has led to a budget surplus. Some capital requests may be coming forward. Board discussed the need to retain a percent of PEG Access revenues for Sunderland-specific communication needs. Agreed on the growing need for broad based community-wide communication. Topically discussed FCAT location. Motion to support requested FCAT budget by Mr. Bergeron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- May 12, 2014 Minutes – Motion by Mr. Bergeron to accept the minutes of May 12, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Board Updates – Mr. Bergeron-brief Police Department contract negotiations update. Mr. Fydenkevez thanked volunteers and senior tax work-off participants working on Veterans’ Memorial. Update on the Town’s Memorial Day parade, Friday at 6pm. Please attend.
- Payroll Service – Brought forward Harper’s Payroll Service proposal recommendations. Discussed all the positive elements. Motion to approve transitioning to Harper’s Payroll service for FY15 by Mr. Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0.
- Berkshires to Boston Bicycle Tour – Motion to support the September 18-19 event on the School Street recreation fields by Mr. Bergeron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Fire Collaboration Working Group – Motion to support nomination of Fire Chief Robert Ahearn and Aleks Kajstura (FinCom) to the Group by Mr. Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bergeron. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Scott A. Bergeron  
Clerk, Board of Selectmen