

**BOARD OF
SELECTMEN
MEETING
MINUTES**

October 31, 2012

Fire & EMS Headquarters, 20 Church Street , Training Room
Chairman Kenneth E. Picard, Selectman James A. Brochu,
Selectman Robert J. Fleming, Police Chief Michael Bradley,
Department Coordinator, Sandra Hakala, Attorney Katharine
Klein, Kopelman & Paige.

1 The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm.

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3 Chairman Picard opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda.

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5 Police Chief Michael Bradley updated the Board of Selectman on the preparations and response to
6 Hurricane Sandy. He said that pre storm planning began Friday and over the weekend which included
7 daily conferences with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency and the Fire Chief and DPW
8 Director. An additional police officer and dispatcher were brought in on Monday in preparation of the
9 storm.

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11 The Chief also reported that at one point during the storm all major roadways leading to up to Upton were
12 blocked by fallen trees and by Tuesday morning, about 2,800 homes were without power, out of about
13 3,000. Power was restored to all but 98 homes by Wednesday morning.

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15 Bradley said things went relatively smoothly in town, despite the damage done. The Board of Selectmen
16 praised Chief Bradley and the town's emergency personnel for their efforts and great response. A code red
17 was issued daily as well as postings to the website to help people stay informed.

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19 Selectman Fleming suggested that the town post a power grid plan on the Upton website which shows
20 where different parts of town get their electricity for future reference so that people would understand
21 where they get their power from.

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23 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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25 **Motion #1:** At 3:15pm Chairman Picard motioned to enter into Executive Session under MGL c.30A, S.
26 21 exceptions #3: to discuss strategy with respect to litigation (Upton Development Group).

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28 Ken Picard, aye, Jim Brochu, aye, Robert Fleming, aye.

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30 **Motion #2:** At 3:33pm Chairman Picard motioned to reconvene the regular meeting.

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32 Second: Selectman Brochu, Unanimous: Selectman Fleming.

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34 **ADJOURN MEETING**

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36 **Motion #3:** At 3:33pm Motion was made by Chairman Picard to adjourn the regular meeting.

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38 Second: Selectman Brochu, Unanimous: Selectman Fleming.

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41 Respectfully submitted,

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43 Sandra Hakala, Department Coordinator

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