

Members present:	Kevin McCormick	John O'Brien	Christopher Rucho
Members absent:	Allen R. Phillips	Steven Quist	

Mr. McCormick convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Read and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Motion Mr. O'Brien to approve the meeting minutes for the May 4, 2011 regular session, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider request from Beaman Oak Garden Club to install a bench in one of the garden beds on The Common in memory of a Garden Club member who passed away

Erin Beardsley, President of the Beaman Oak Garden Club advised that the Club would like to install a bench in one of the beds on the Church Street Common towards Fay Brothers. They will pull out some of the plants and install the bench with a plaque.

Motion Mr. Rucho to grant the request from Beaman Oak Garden Club to install a bench and plaque in one of the garden beds on The Common in memory of a Garden Club member who passed away, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, all in favor.

2. Consider appointing Robert Barrell and Patricia Halpin to the West Boylston Affordable Housing Trust Board of Trustees effective May 18, 2011 for a term to expire on June 30, 2013

Motion Mr. Rucho to appointment Robert Barrell and Patricia Halpin to the West Boylston Affordable Housing Trust Board of Trustees effective May 18, 2011 for a term to expire on June 30, 2013, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, all in favor.

3. Acknowledge receipt of the following new Policies and Procedures for the Police Department: Body Armor Policy, Identification Cards and Electronic Weapons

Whenever the Police Department amends any of their department policies they are brought before the Board for their information. The first policy is the Body Armor Policy, which mandates that all officers wear body armor while on duty. This year Federal Grant funds for body armor purchases are only being made available to police departments that have a Body Armor Policy in place.

The second policy pertains to Identification Cards. The Massachusetts Legislature has enabled local police department to design and issue a Commonwealth of Massachusetts Statewide Police Identification Card which will be issued to every full time police officer. The cards contain a Registry of Motor vehicles hologram, a department patch, a photograph of the officer and an issue and expiration date. They were designed so that the citizenry could identify an active, valid police identification card as opposed to forged or false documents or someone impersonating a police officer.

The last policy is an update to our Taser Policy, which has been reviewed by the Executive Office of Public Safety, General Counsel. The changes were made to conform to our Use of Force Policies. Each policy was approved by Mass Cop Local 172. Mr. Rucho would like the opportunity to review the changes.

Motion Mr. O'Brien to acknowledge receipt of the three policies, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

3. Input for Performance Goals for the Fire Chief

The Town Administrator is preparing to enter into his performance evaluation for the Fire Chief and as is customary, he requests any members of the Board who wish to suggest goals for the Fire Chief to email them to him. He plans to complete his evaluation by June 1.

4. Recommendation from the Naming Committee on the naming of the basketball courts at Goodale Park

The Board is in receipt of a letter from the West Boylston Naming Committee which reads as follows, the Naming Committee held a public hearing on April 7, 2011, to review a proposal sent to Mr. Leon Gaumond from Susan Haines, requesting consideration to name the new basketball courts after he father, Robert J. Halloran. Two people showed up at the hearing, one being a daughter of Mr. Halloran and the other was Aaron Goodale who only concern was the size of the sign. Since the Naming Committee's purpose is to review the request to see if it meets our policies, we stand by the recommendation as put forth in our letter of February 4, 2011, sent as a result of our meeting of December 14, 2010. Therefore, we are recommending to the Selectmen that they vote to accept this name and proceed forth with whatever is legally required.

Mr. Gaumond explained that the Board could accept the letter and request the Town Administrator add this to the list of articles for the warrant.

Motion Mr. O'Brien to accept the letter from the Naming Committee and request the Town Administrator include an article on the warrant for the naming of the basketball courts after Robert J. Halloran, seconded by Mr. Rucho.

Discussion ensued with Mr. Rucho pointing out the verbiage in the Naming Policy which states that the Naming Committee shall provide at least two names to the Board of Selectmen. He suggested sending the policy to the Naming Committee with the request to review the language. He also questioned whether the Board should send this back to them in addition to whether this action meets the policy. Mr. McCormick feels the Board should address the size of the sign and he suggested making it part of the policy. Mr. Rucho also questioned who will pay for the cost of the sign. Mr. McCormick believes the person who wants the sign would pay for the sign, and he recommends the Board work this out before town meeting.

Vote on the motion – all in favor.

6. Accept donations on behalf of the West Boylston Bandstand Committee in the amount of \$3,000 for the Summer Concert Series 2011

Motion Mr. O'Brien to accept donations on behalf of the West Boylston Bandstand Committee in the amount of \$3,000 for the Summer Concert Series 2011, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor

7. Concurrence on the appointment of Marcia Cairns, 208 Prescott Street to the Municipal Buildings Advisory Committee effective May 18, 2011 for a term to expire on April 30, 2012

Motion Mr. Rucho to concur with the appointment, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, all in favor.

MEETINGS, INVITATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. May 21, 10-4 – Grand Reopening of Goodale Park Tennis & Basketball Courts
2. July 23 – 15th Annual Memory Ride to benefit Alzheimer's disease research will come through West Boylston

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. McCormick would like to schedule a discussion for the first meeting in July on alternative

funding for the deficiency we have in the budget at town meeting each year. It was noted that the Board recently had a meeting to discuss placing an override question on the ballot, however, the School Committee chose not to come forward with a request.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion Mr. O'Brien at 7:18 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rucho, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: June 1, 2011

Nancy E. Lucier

Kevin M. McCormick, Chairman

Christopher A. Rucho, Selectman

John J. O'Brien, Selectman