

**TOWN OF MILLVILLE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**Minutes of July 16, 2008
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Vice Chair Tom Petrowicz, Charles Poulin, Jackie Lima and John Laura

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin and Building Inspector Mike Giampietro

The meeting is called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Millville Town Hall.

The purpose of the Meeting is to address the Building Inspector's request made earlier this year for an increase in his inspection fee rate from \$30 to \$35 so that he is paid the same fee as the electrical and plumbing inspectors.

The parties review information received from the Treasurer with respect to the electrical and plumbing inspection fee and stipend increases over the past few years. Brief discussion follows.

Mr. Giampietro explains that revenue is generated by the permit fees and that the department is generating positive revenue for Town, self-sustaining at no cost to the taxpayer. Mr. Giampietro reviews the Fee Schedule which was effective July 1, 2005. He explains that re-inspection fees have been at his discretion. He reiterates that he is only asking for the same inspection fee that the other inspectors receive; no increase in stipend, no bonus, or any other increases.

Mrs. Lima feels the Building Inspector did a great job with his presentation, however, indicates that there are no additional funds in the budget. An option for the Board in the future may be to tack on extra fees to the permits to make up for the additional \$5 being requested.

The Executive Secretary asks if the Board would like her to consult with Town Counsel on the legality/labor laws with respect to the payment of different fee rates to inspectors within the same Town. The Board does not feel it is necessary.

Mr. Laura indicates that the Building Inspector received a 50% increase last year.

Motion by Lima, second by Poulin, that at this time the Town cannot afford to compensate a \$35 inspection fee within this fiscal year, however, the BOS will review the fee schedule during the fiscal year to make possible adjustments so that the Board may entertain the request again next year. Motion passes by majority vote. (Petrowicz, nay)

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen M. Coffin

Tom Petrowicz, Vice Chairman

Charles Poulin, Selectman

Jackie Lima, Selectman

John Laura, Selectman

APPROVED AND SIGNED 7/21/08