



## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**290 Main Street  
Millville, MA 01529**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**

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### **PRESENT:**

Chairwoman, Erica Blake, Vice Chairman Jennifer Dean Wing, Member, Tom Houle, Andrew Alward and Kevin Surette.

The Chairwoman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- There will be early voting on Monday February 24, 2020 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and Tuesday, February 25, 2020 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

### **MINUTES:**

#### **February 3, 2020:**

There was discussion prior to the approval of the minutes from February 3, 2020. The Town Administrator will provide the time which the Board of Selectmen exited from Executive session to adjourn the meeting. Selectmen Alward wanted the minutes of February 3, 2020 to reflect that the Town Administrator called ethics and not him. Selectmen Alward did supply an ethics disclosure to the Town Clerk. This will be reflected in the revised minutes.

**On a motion made by Tom Houle and seconded by Kevin Surette, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes from February 3, 2020 as amended.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- There was no correspondence received.

### **DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES:**

#### **Library Trustees and Friends:**

The Board of Selectmen were introduced to all new junior friends of library group. This is a newly formed group of 10-15 children. The members attend the meetings and help in a variety of areas which includes advising on books for the junior collection along with managing the bulletin board in entry way of library. This group is also in charge of planning community events which the library sponsors. Student, Clover Maloney explained that the library has a great

collection of books which include fiction, nonfiction, and biographies. Student, Ivy Maloney explained that the planned library events are free and posted on library Facebook page. Student, Joseph Lafayette informed all that the March event is a Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt Day which will be held on March 13, 2020. There will also be the showing to the movie Ratatouille. Their next meeting will be on March 7, 2020 at 1:00 pm where they will begin planning the April events. Pam Maloney explained that the library holds many events for the community which include book club, Pinterest craft night, movie nights, programs which were granted from the cultural council grants. There is also free Wi-Fi and printing services. The Town Administrator informed the Board of Selectmen that it is his intention to fully fund the library and this will be discussed at a later date during the budget meetings.

### **Police Department (Dispatch):**

Chief Landry was present to the recent developments with the dispatch agreement. The Board of Selectmen were provided with a memo explaining the history and financial numbers for the dispatch contracts through the last few years. The Town of Millville has been a partner with the Town of Mendon for many years. The first contract with Mendon was for three years and the second contract was for five years. Currently, the Town of Mendon is looking into building a new police station and will be joining a new dispatch center which is located in the Town of Norfolk. It is recommended by Chief Landry that the Town of Millville join this expanded regional dispatch which will include the towns of Franklin, Wrentham, Norfolk, and Mendon. This new contract would be for five years with no cost for FY2020 through FY2026 and in FY2025 the cost would be \$50,000 but there would be a discount of 50% for FY25 totaling \$25,000 and \$37,000 by the end of the contract. There would be a cap of no more than \$50,000.00 for the next five years. The Chief of Mendon is in support of this new state of the art center. This is a great option for the town. There will be new equipment provided at no cost to the town which is covered through the grant. Any new equipment would also be covered in grant. Chief Landry visited the operation center and it cost \$7,000,000 to build. The cost to the Town of Millville will be \$52,000.00 over ten years. This is a great savings for the town. The representatives will be contacting the Town Administrator to set up a time to present to the Board of Selectmen.

### **Digital Sign:**

The Chief Landry informed the Board of Selectmen that the new digital sign in front of the Town of Millville Police Station is working. This sign was provided from a grant.

### **Fire Department:**

The Town of Millville Fire Department applied for a grant for a washing machine. This grant was awarded. The new washer is at the Fire Department which is being used to clean the fire gear. A town resident has donated a drier to the Fire Department.

### **Millville Police Department:**

The generator for the Millville Police Department was delivered last week. Thank you to the Highway Department who assisted the police department in installing the concrete pad for the generator. The cost provided to install a concrete slab was \$1,200.00 but working together with the Highway Department, the cost was \$64.00.

**Senior Center Generator:**

The grant for the Senior Center generator was awarded. This generator will also need a concrete pad installed. The goal is to do this in-house to save money.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

The Chairman of the Council on Aging informed the Board of Selectmen that the Director for the Council on Aging Jill Anderson is retiring at the end of April. This is the only paid position. The goal is to keep her on at a temporary as needed basis until the Council on Aging finds a replacement.

Resident Lynne Foley is seeking someone who can assist with starting "Tween" teenage programs at the library. If interested in helping, please call the library.

**NEW BUSINESS:****Approval of Teamsters Agreement:**

The Firefighter Teamsters Agreement is under review by Town Counsel. This will be presented to the Board of Selectmen at the next meeting for signature.

**Green Energy Committee:**

**On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Thomas Houle, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to appoint David Maloney to the Green Community through June 30, 2020.**

**RiMaConn Relay:**

The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of an email regarding the RiMaConn Relay, which is to take place on Saturday, August 29, 2020 from 6:00 am to 10:45 am which will utilize the trail crossings at Central Street and the SNETT Trail/Blackstone River Bikeway. This event is an 18-stage relay run that will start in Lincoln, RI and will finish in Hartford, CT.

**On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Tom Houle, the Board voted unanimously to request to hold the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual RiMaConn Relay on Saturday, August 29, 2020.**

**SELECTMEN'S REPORTS:****Annual Report:**

The Board of Selectmen members are in receipt of the copy of the Annual Report which will be submitted on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. This was written by Chairman Blake.

**RAAC Update:**

Selectmen Alward communicated that the Board of Selectmen were informed that RAAC had a meeting and the document continues to be finalized. The Blackstone Finance Committee will be putting on a warrant article to do an analysis study of deregionalization. The Chairman of the School Committee has asked to be on the agenda to discuss the agreement document. The Board of Selectmen would like to get the most updated copy of the agreement. The Town Administrator will send the document to town counsel once the final version is presented to the town.

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

### **Facilities Committee:**

The Town Administrator and members of the Adhoc Committee did a tour of the old town hall which they turned into a great brainstorming session about what the plan would be for moving forward.

### **Blackstone Chairman of Board of Selectmen:**

Town of Blackstone Chairman Keefe met with Town Administrator Caruso at the town hall. It was a productive visit, and both agree that the lines of communication will remain open during the upcoming budget season.

### **Schedule A:**

The Town Administrator informed the Board of Selectmen that the Schedule A Form will be submitted by the end of the week. There were some last-minute edits from the Department of Revenue which needed to be included. The free cash was submitted

### **FY2021 Budget:**

The Town Administrator will be presenting the proposed FY2021 to the Board of Selectmen at the next meeting. Once the budget is reviewed by the Board of Selectmen it will be provided to the Finance Committee.

### **Millville Elementary Corrective Plan:**

The Town Administrator will provide the amendments to the Millville Elementary Corrective Action Plan at the next meeting required by the MA Department of Environmental Protection.

### **Staff Changes:**

The Board of Selectmen were informed of the following staff changes:

- Director Council on Aging – leaving but would offer assistance on an on-call basis if needed.
- Town Planner – leaving but will assist when available for the Marijuana Applications.
- Building Department Administrative Secretary leaving the end of the February.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

- Monday, March 2, 2020.

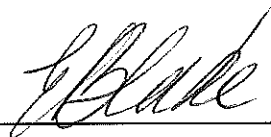
**On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Thomas Houle, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn the regular meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.**

The regular meeting ended at 8:08 pm.

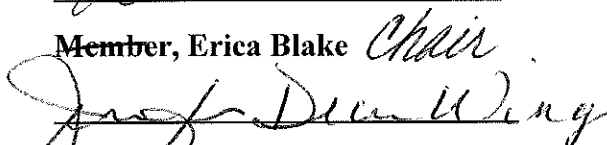
Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland

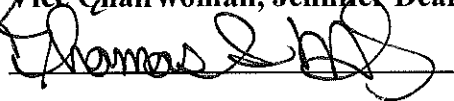
Recording Secretary



Member, Erica Blake *Chair*



Vice Chairwoman, Jennifer Dean Wing



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