TOWN OF MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING

August 2, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Members Present: Chairperson Jackie Lima, Vice Chairman Tom Petrowicz, Secretary Charles Poulin, Selectman John Laura and Selectman Roland Barrett (arrives late as indicated)

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communication was received from the Building Inspector, Mike Giampietro, that he will not be available for Town Hall office hours on the following evenings: August 4th, September 1st and October 6th. If you need to schedule an appointment or an inspection, please contact the Town Hall Business Office for further assistance.

SHURAS DOG KENNEL

{Selectman Poulin steps down from the Board}

Chairperson Lima reminds all parties that the Board sent Notice to Mrs. Shuras indicating the Board's intent to continue the Kennel Order pending further hearing on the matter and also instructed the Animal Control Office to continue inspections. The last report from July 6th indicates non-compliance with only two (2) bark collars working and, therefore, a violation was written.

Attorney Heller (attorney for Mrs. Shuras) explains that there were four (4) collars on the dogs on July 6th and it is the feeling of his client that the Animal Control Officer is not seeing the two (2) black collars on the two (2) black dogs. He also presents the Board with a letter from a veterinarian indicating that one of the dogs cannot wear a collar due to an infection/health issue. Atty. Heller also questions the time of the violation as it is noted at 11:55 p.m. (rather than a.m.). He also explains that none of the complaining parties have attended any of the past recent meetings regarding this matter and there have not been any complaints. Mr. Heller suggests that the Order has worked and his client has maintained the bird houses and collars as ordered.

Chairperson Lima advises that there have been issues of non-compliance with the Order pursuant to reports from the Animal Control Officer. The Chairperson feels

that Mrs. Shuras, knowing the Order was in effect, should have made every effort to inform the Town of the issue with the one (1) dog who cannot wear a collar. She should also have dealt with the recent violation in an appropriate manner and requested a hearing with the Animal Control Officer or Town Clerk if she wished to appeal the fine. It does not appear that Mrs. Shuras is taking this matter seriously.

Attorney Heller is asking that the Board end the Order effective June 30th.

Tracy Belanger of 123 Grove Street has seen collars on the dogs and does not feel the dogs bark constantly. She has visited the home and although the dogs do bark upon entering the driveway, they are quiet shortly after.

Kathy Shuras informs the Board that she takes the dogs who do bark to a kennel when she is on vacation. She has spent, and continues to spend, a great deal of money on being compliant with the Order. She is frustrated that she has contacted the Animal Control Officer several times but he does not return her phone calls.

Selectman Petrowicz feels that for the Board to remove the Order there cannot be any remaining issues of non-compliance.

Motion by Petrowicz and second by Laura to amend the Kennel Order to extend it six (6) months, through December 31, 2010.

Discussion follows among the Board members regarding the length of the extension.

Petrowicz amends his Motion to amend the Kennel Order to extend it three (3) months, through September 30, 2010. Laura seconds the amended Motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

{Selectman Poulin returns to the Board} {Selectman Barrett arrives late}

MINUTES

July 12, 2010

On a motion by Poulin and second by Barrett the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Minutes of July 12, 2010. Petrowicz and Laura abstain.

July 19, 2010 - 6:00

On a motion by Petrowicz and second by Poulin the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Minutes of July 19, 2010, 6:00 p.m. Barrett abstains.

July 19, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

On a motion by Poulin and second by Petrowicz the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Minutes of July 19, 2010, 7:00 p.m. Barrett abstains.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Poulin and second by Barrett, the Board of Selectmen votes unanimously to sign the four (4) warrants as read.

PUBLIC FORUM None.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS None.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received information from the Building Inspector regarding zoning complaints. In order to investigate zoning complaints, the complaint must be received in writing. The form may be obtained online or outside the Building Inspector's Office.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

The outdoor bulletin board which was ordered pursuant to the Open Meeting Law was determined to be too heavy so another Board has been ordered and should be delivered soon.

The Library is having some potential emergency issues with the septic system. The Board of Health is aware of the matter and is working with the Trustees.

The signs for the Hope Street passage are in and will be installed soon. Discussion follows on the Board's desire for the location of the signs.

A young resident has inquired as to any ideas for an Eagle Scout Project. The Board asked that this matter be directed to Margaret Carroll and Chief Landry.

LIAISON REPORTS

MES Water. The Executive Secretary provides a brief update on all related matters.

BID – Refurbishment of Existing Tank. Unfortunately, we did not receive any responsive bids on this project. We are currently working with the Inspector General's Office seeking authorization to waive a second formal bid process. Apparently, some of the plan holders had trouble obtaining a bond before the bid deadline so we are hopeful we will receive an adequate number of bids before the next deadline.

BID – New Tank. We held a pre-bid...2 bidders were present. Due to receiving six additional requests for bid packets, we have decided to extend the bid opening until August 18th, and also to hold a second pre-bid meeting next Tuesday, August 10th.

DEP has reviewed the permitting and made recommendations regarding the size of the tank. Our engineer has responded to the recommendations accordingly.

Drywell. The engineers have identified possible locations for the filter backwash discharge and contractors will be excavating test pits within the next week. We are waiting for dig safe to come mark any buried utilities before work commences.

Greensand Filter. Engineering and drawings are complete to covert the current multimedia filters to greensand...this is due to the intensity of the iron in the water. The permitting process with DEP is underway. We are hoping to implement this maintenance project prior to the school year.

Sanitary Survey. Bob Ferrari and Deb Trumbull have both addressed DEP's concerns in connection with the Sanitary Survey...a copy of the Memo is available for those who wish to review it.

FEMA Submittal. A total of approx. \$143 was submitted to FEMA for the water issues following the March/April floods. We have received approval of \$40K and were told checks will be coming within the month. We await approval on the additional \$103K.

Sprinkler Testing/Line Flushing. It was decided that the flushing of the lines and testing of the sprinklers would be done during the refurbishment of the existing tank. As of now, this is still the plan. We do understand that this needs to be done prior to school opening and will address this along with the bid for refurbishment, which is the top priority at this time.

Discussion follows among the Board members regarding the need for the drywell and the possibility of water hook-up with surrounding Towns. Chairperson Lima reminds all that DEP has already indicated that water hook-ups would take too long as resolution to this particular issue.

<u>Fire Department</u>. Selectman Poulin informs that we should have the new fire truck by Labor Day. Chief Mullaly has completed Disclosure Forms regarding two potential employees who are relatives. Chief Mullaly questioned the balance of the EMT-I line item.

Cable. Selectman Barrett indicates we are just waiting for the delivery of equipment.

<u>Board of Assessors</u>. Selectman Laura provides information regarding the DOR's upcoming Management Review of the Assessors Office.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES

BMRSD Agreement. The Board reviews the Agreement which was approved by Town Counsel and the Town Accountant regarding the reimbursement of funds from the state.

On a motion by Barrett and second by Poulin, the Board of Selectmen votes unanimously to sign the two (2) original Agreements.

NEW BUSINESS None.

FINAL PUBLIC FORUM

Library Trustee Colleen Curis provides a brief update as to the status of the septic system at the Library. The Board of Health has advised that an engineer should review the matter. The Trustees will obtain three (3) quotes from engineers and submit a Reserve Fund Transfer Form.

NEXT MEETING

August 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Poulin and second by Barrett, the Board of Selectmen votes unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Helen M. Coffin

Jackie Lima, Chairperson

Tom Petrowicz, Vice Chairman

Charles Poulin, Secretary

John Layra, Selectman

Roland Barrett, Selectman