## TOWN OF MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

# Minutes of March 16, 2009 7:00 p.m.

**Board of Selectmen Members Present:** Chairman Paul Savage, Vice Chairman Tom Petrowicz and Members Charlie Poulin, John Laura, and Jackie Lima.

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin.

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

# Announcements None

# Good and Welfare None

# Minutes/Warrants

#### March 2, 2009: (6:00 pm):

On a motion made by Charlie Poulin and seconded by Jackie Lima, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the minutes from March 2, 2009 at 6:00 pm. (Selectman Petrowicz abstained)

## March 2, 2009: (7:00 pm):

• On a motion made by Jackie Lima and seconded by Charlie Poulin, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the minutes from March 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. (Selectman Petrowicz abstained)

# March 5, 2009: (7:00 pm):

 On a motion made by Jackie Lima and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the minutes from March 5, 2009 at 7:00 pm. (Selectman Savage abstained)

# March 9, 2009: (7:00 pm):

These minutes will be tabled until the next meeting.

#### Warrants:

 On a motion made by Jackie Lima and seconded by Charlie Poulin, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the Town warrants as read.

# **Public Forum**

#### Norman Thuot, 25 Ironstone St:

Mr. Thuot wanted to know the status of the stimulus package. The Executive Secretary noted that Millville is not expecting any money.

#### Charles Augat, 30 Fisher St.:

Mr. Augat wanted to know if a request would be made to capital for a generator at the Senior Center.

#### Fire Chief Mullaly:

The Fire Chief is looking into rehabbing the fire truck, but the report has not been provided back yet. The Board of Selectmen was informed that the rear tire went and that will cost \$500.00. Another issue is that the exhaust is rotting. The Board of Selectmen recommended that Chief Mullaly submit two articles thus giving the Chief time to collect more data. The appraisal will cost the Town.

Chief Mullaly informed the Board that there is a federal grant coming out and he is planning on applying for it. He wants to get a committee together to revitalize Station 2 through a grant.

Selectman Laura wants to get background information from Chief Mullaly about the pumper and how often it is used.

#### Charles Augat, 30 Fisher St.:

Mr. Augat reported that there was a capital line item which was approved to replace Engine 2. Rehabilitation has been discussed over the years. Capital will look at anything that the Chief will be submitting.

#### John Dean, Highway Surveyor:

Mr. Dean presented to the Board of Selectmen a copy of a proposal for road repairs on Chestnut Hill Road from Kempton Street to Lincoln St. The recommendation is to take the road out and repave. Mr. Dean wants a letter sent to the Governor, Senator, and State Representative seeking assistance with the funding of this.

• On a motion made by Tom Petrowicz, and seconded by Jackie Lima, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to have the Executive Secretary send a letter to the appropriate officials advising about the road project.

#### **Chestnut Hill Catch Basin:**

There is a problem with the catch basin on Chestnut Hill Rd. This will have to be fixed and Mr. Dean will be providing a quote for this job.

# Appointments and Resignations None

# Correspondence

- A letter from Blackstone came inquiring if the Board of Selectmen would like to walk in the Memorial Day Parade.
- A letter was received from the Department of Public Safety that we received the \$50,000 feasibility grant. Congratulations to Chief Landry.

# **Executive Secretary Report**

#### **Close Warrant**

 On a motion made by Jackie Lima, and seconded by Tom Petrowicz, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to close the Town warrants effective March 17, 2009 at 4:00 pm.

# **Annual Reports**

The Board of Selectmen discussed making sure that all the Annual Reports remain focused on the working and operations of the departments.

• On a motion made by Tom Petrowicz and seconded by Jackie Lima, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to have the Board of Assessors rework the third paragraph of their Annual Report.

A memo will be sent to the Board of Assessors asking them to work with Selectman Laura in editing the third paragraph.

Selectman Lima recommended that the names in the dedication of the Annual Report be listed alphabetically.

# **COA Grant**

The Council on Aging seeks a signature from the Chairman for the formula grant.

• On a motion made by Jackie Lima, and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the standard contract as presented.

# **Building Inspector Legal Request**

The Building Inspector provided additional information seeking a Request for Legal Services. After discussion, it was clear that the sign issue needs to be resolved and that counsel needs to clarify some questions.

 On a motion made by John Laura, and seconded by Jackie Lima, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to allow the Building Inspector to contact legal but to not exceed two hours.

## Town Hall Hours

The Executive Secretary reviewed the Town Hall hour options which were submitted by Selectman Lima and also created another proposal to address the Town Hall hours. Discussions about the pros and cons of each proposal were discussed. It was recommended by the Executive Secretary to keep everything open until 2:00 Monday through Thursday. The money to cover the additional staff hours will come from the

Executive Secretary's budget. She asks that the Board of Selectmen try this from now until June 30, 2009 at which point it can be open for discussion again if things are not going well.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee informed the Board of Selectmen that the Finance Committee discussed this and feels the proposal is a good idea.

On a motion made by Tom Petrowicz and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectman voted to support the proposal presented by the Executive Secretary for a trial basis through June 30, 2009. It will be revisited for the 2010 budget.

Roll Call Vote:

John Laura Paul Savage aye nay

Tom Petrowicz

aye

Charlie Poulin

aye

Jackie Lima aye

#### Kennel Order

• On a motion made by Jackie Lima, and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to submit the Order in regards to the kennel issue as prepared by Town Counsel.

The Executive Secretary will work with the Animal Control Officer in creating a log template for the inspections.

# **Liaison Reports**

# **Business Retention Grant**

Selectman Lima would like to thank all that attended the meeting in regards to the business retention grant. There were many options discussed on to how to spend the remainder of the money.

On a motion made by John Laura and seconded by Charlie Poulin, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to move forward with the interest in the river walk.

Selectman Lima would like to set up a committee with 5 to 10 people to assist with the Business Retention Grant. She would like a notice to be placed on cable asking for committee members.

# **Old Business**

## A & J Well Invoices

Selectman Laura spoke with A&J Well about the recent invoices...the library's invoice may cause a future budget transfer request.

#### **MES Water**

The Finance Committee approved a Reserve Fund Transfer for an additional water filter system. The update and equipment will be installed in April. The plans about installation were provided. bag filter and Ph probe

#### **Hope Street property**

The Board of Selectmen discussed the property at 21 Hope Street. The gate, fence and personal belongings have not been removed. The paperwork on this will be filed in court at the end of the week. The Executive Secretary will look into quotes for taking down the fence.

#### **Bridge**

The bridge dedication will take place on Friday May 15, 2009.

# **Town Hall Egress**

Sheriff Glodis' office will help with some of the demolition at the Town Hall. The Executive Secretary is still waiting for three electrical quotes.

# New Business

#### Chuck Singleton, 164 Main St.:

Mr. Singleton wanted to thank Chairman Savage for his years of service to the Town.

# Next Regular Meeting

The next Board of Selectmen meeting will be <u>Tuesday</u>. April 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Longfellow Municipal Center. (Town elections will be held Monday, April 6, 2009).

#### **ADJOURN:**

 On a motion made by Jackie Lima and seconded by Charlie Poulin, the Board of Selectmen voted <u>unanimously</u> to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Amy Sutherland

Paul Savage, Chairperson

Charlie Poulin, Selectman

Thomas Petrowicz, Vice Chairman

Jackie Lima, Selectman

John Laura, Selectman