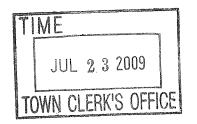
TOWN OF MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Minutes of Meeting July 6, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chairperson Jackie Lima, Vice Chairman Tom Petrowicz, Charlie Poulin, John Laura, and Roland Barrett

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin

Chairperson Lima opens the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Millville Town Hall.

Announcements None.

Minutes of Meetings

Minutes of June 15, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Poulin, second by Petrowicz, to approve the Minutes as written. Motion passes unanimously.

Minutes of June 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Poulin, to approve the Minutes as written. Motion passes unanimously.

Minutes of June 16, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Poulin, second by Petrowicz, to approve the Minutes as written. Motion passes unanimously.

Minutes of June 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Poulin, to approve the Minutes as written. Motion passes unanimously.

Public Forum

Resident Norman Thuot wishes to congratulate and thank the Board of Selectmen for foregoing their annual stipends and further to thank the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen for the amount of work done this past budget season.

Mr. Thuot wishes to commend the Millville Fire and Police Departments on the outstanding job done last Wednesday evening in connection with a missing child incident. He adds that the assistance provided by the surrounding towns as well as the neighbors was impeccable. This could have been a tragic event and much credit should go to the Town of Millville. He feels that letters should be sent to the surrounding towns. Chief Landry agrees to send out letters.

Mr. Thuot questions the status of the Hope/Prospect Street property encroachment issue. He has had conversations with Margaret Carroll who spent a great deal of time surveying the land. He would like to know how many more Executive Session meetings the Board will hold on this matter. Chairperson Lima explains that much progress had been made on this matter and that she appreciates Miss Carroll's concerns. Mrs. Lima indicates that the majority of the Board voted to work with the homeowner on this matter.

Appointments/Resignations

Full-time Patrolman Appointment. Chief Landry presents Tony Dinis to the Board for appointment as a full-time patrolman. Officer Dinis has worked for the Town of Millville part-time for three years and was self-sponsored to the full-time academy. Chief Landry feels he is a great candidate as he is motivated, interacts well with the residents, and is excited to be part of the full-time staff.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Barrett, to appoint Tony Dinis as a Full-time Patrolman for the term effective July 20, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Full-time Dispatcher Resignation. Dispatcher Cindy Mercier delivered her resignation letter earlier in the day and it was read aloud by the Chairperson. Mrs. Mercier was a valued employee for many years and will be missed. Best of luck to her in her new position in Mendon.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Poulin, to accept the resignation with regrets. Motion passes unanimously.

Warrants

The Executive Secretary reads the warrants dates and totals.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Barrett, to approve the vendor and payroll deduction warrants as read. Motion passes unanimously.

Correspondence

Planning Board. The Planning Board has requested a meeting with the Board to discuss the land on Main Street as well as possible litigation on another matter. The Board agrees to meet with the Planning Board on Monday, July 13, 2009 at 7:45pm, however, the meeting with be posted for 7:30pm.

Northeast Water Solutions. Correspondence was received from Bob Ferrari from Northeast Water Solutions responding to and addressing the Board's recent concerns and questions in connection with the Elementary School. The Executive Secretary will follow-up on the status of the proposal for the bleeder connections.

MES Water Update. Vice Chairman Petrowicz indicates that the results of the last round of water testing at the School are not available as yet. There have been no reports, positive or negative, as to the function of the new filtration bags. Discussion follows concerning future water testing and the operation of the water filter bags.

MES Water Tank. Chairperson Lima questions how the Board would like to proceed on the inspection of the water tank. Discussion follows concerning the robotic method of inspection versus the dry inspection and cleaning. There are concerns about emptying the water tank due to the fire suppression issues. The Board agrees to proceed with obtaining new estimates for the robotic method. The Executive Secretary will obtain these for the next meeting.

Dispatch Regionalization – Impact Bargaining. The Board received a letter from the Union concerning impact bargaining for the dispatch regionalization. This session has been scheduled for July 14, 2009 – the Board agrees that it is wise to have legal representation present for these negotiations.

Dispatch Regionalization – Antenna Installation. Legal counsel suggested the Board send a letter to the Blackstone-Millville School Committee seeking consent to install the antenna on the Elementary School rooftop which is necessary for the dispatch regionalization. A copy of the letter was provided for the Board's review. This is simply a formality.

Executive Secretary Report

Council on Aging. The Senior Center Director asked that the Board review and sign an Inter-municipal Agreement with the Town of Blackstone in connection with the shared transportation services and expenses. The Board always has legal counsel review these type of Agreements prior to signing them. The Senior Center Director completed a Legal Request Form so that this could be forwarded to counsel for review. The Board would like to know why the insurance cost is 50%/50% which differs from the other expenses.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Laura, to approve the Request for Legal Services and forward the Inter-municipal Agreement to Town Counsel for review. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

North Smithfield Sewer Tie-in. The Board previously received a request from Peter Labonte of Century Discount Liquors to allow him to tie-in to the North Smithfield sewer system. The Town recently received communication from the North Smithfield Town Administrator questioning the status. The Board also received a request from the Board of Health to set up a meeting with all involved parties. The Board has many questions it would like answered prior to meeting. Discussion follows regarding the many questions and issues with respect to this situation. The Executive Secretary would like to forward this to legal for review.

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Poulin, to approve the Request for Legal Services and forward the questions concerning an Inter-state Municipal Agreement in connection with sewer tie-in to Town Counsel for evaluation. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Cable Committee. The Board received a request from the Cable Committee to schedule a workshop meeting to discuss four topics. The Board also has a few topics of its own they would like to discuss including the meeting tape procedure, status of equipment, and meeting schedule. The Board agrees to schedule the meeting for Monday, August 3, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. The Executive Secretary will notify the Chairman of the Cable Committee.

Liaison Reports

Board of Assessors. Selectman Laura was notified by the Chairman of the Board of Assessors that things were running smoothly in the Assessors Office. The bills were mailed out as necessary. Discussion follows concerning the current situation with the clerical position. The Board does not want the individual sitting in the hallway. The Board requests that the Executive Secretary and Treasurer confirm that all confidential information is secure and move the individual back into the office area. Chairperson Lima has concerns regarding the job postings – she feels these should be run by the Executive Secretary first to ensure legality. Selectman Laura will speak with Jennifer Dean-Wing to follow-up on the various issues discussed as well as the status of a policy manual and keys to the file cabinets.

Selectman Barrett questions whether the lack of residency of an Assessor will hinder her ability to attend the meetings. Selectman Laura will address this issue with the Assessor.

Selectman Barrett would like to clarify that Jennifer Dean-Wing wrongly accused him of saying something at the May 18, 2009 meeting. He reviewed the DVD and maintains he never said what he was accused of saying.

Old Business/Updates

Selectman Barrett would like to know how the badge pictures will be handled now that Dispatcher Mercier has resigned. This matter will be dealt with by Chief Landry.

New Business None

Final Public Forum

Resident Paul Ouellette feels the Town and Board of Assessors should move forward with getting the property record cards online. The funds have been budgeted and Chairperson Lima advises that this is something the Board will address during the year with the Assessors, once the office is more stabilized.

Executive Session

Jackie Lima, Chairperson

Charles Poulin, Secretary

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Barret, to enter Executive Session under MGL c.39, section 23B (3) to return to open session only to adjourn. Roll Call Vote: Lima, aye; Petrowicz, aye; Poulin, aye; Laura, aye; Barrett, aye. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Laura, second by Poulin, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 9:35 P.M. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen M. Coffin

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Roland Barrett, Selectman

John Laura, Selectman

Thomas Petrowicz, Vice Chairman