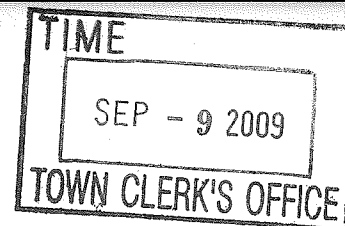


TOWN OF MILLVILLE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting

August 6, 2009
7:30 p.m.



Board Members Present: Chairperson Jackie Lima, Vice Chairman Tom Petrowicz, and Secretary Charlie Poulin

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin; Police Chief Ron Landry; Town Officials from the Towns of Mendon and Hopedale

Motion by Petrowicz, second by Poulin, to open the meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Millville Town Hall. Motion passes unanimously.

The Board meets with Town officials of Mendon and Hopedale to discuss the financial numbers recently provided by Mendon in connection with the costs and charges to the Town of Millville for regional dispatch services.

Chairperson Lima informs the parties that Millville officials were surprised by the numbers received from Mendon as they were much higher than anticipated. The Town of Millville prepared a presentation and the Chair reviews the document with the parties by reading it aloud. The focus of the presentation is to reallocate the percentages from equals thirds to percentages based on the number of service calls taken for each of the three towns.

Chief Horn of Mendon does not feel this method is comparing apples to apples since all departments define how they track their calls differently. Discussion follows regarding using the Uniform Crime Index to get a more accurate breakdown. Chief Landry feels this is a more equitable system and it is used by other regional dispatch center in the state.

Chairperson Lima indicates that in a letter received from Mendon in January 2009, it was noted that the cost savings to Millville would be \$125,000 per year and potentially more. Additionally, the numbers that Millville has heard for a participation cost is \$35,000, far less than the \$65,000 presented by Mendon recently.

Lengthy discussion follows among the parties regarding the various verbal agreements made with respect to the equal split followed by more lengthy discussion concerning the advantages, disadvantages and appropriateness of basing the division on number of service calls taken by Town.

Mendon feels it is late in the game to be discussing the numbers. Chairperson Lima reminds the parties that the numbers were just received recently.

Mendon will take a look at the numbers and get back to Millville as to whether the numbers/savings to Millville can be improved. Based on the information Mendon brings back to the table, the Millville Board will meet to determine how it will proceed.

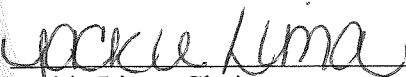
The Board takes a five-minute recess before opening the regular meeting while the Mendon and Hopedale officials leave.

The Board reconvenes to general discussion regarding some of the comments and statements made during the evening. The Board will meet again to discuss this when we hear back from Mendon.

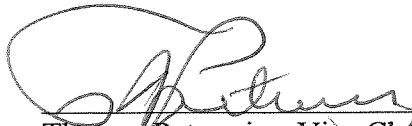
Motion by Poulin, second by Petrowicz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. at the Millville Town Hall. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Coffin



Jackie Lima, Chairperson



Thomas Petrowicz, Vice Chairman



Charles Poulin, Secretary