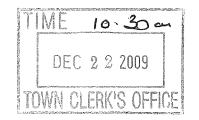
TOWN OF MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



MINUTES OF MEETING

December 7, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chairman Jackie Lima, Secretary Charles Poulin and

Selectman John Laura

Board Members Absent: Vice Chairman Tom Petrowicz and Roland Barrett

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin

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

VETERANS MEETING ROOM SPOTLIGHT

Margaret Carroll provides a brief presentation on the history of the Veterans Meeting Room including the Honor Rolls of the war veterans.

ANNOUCEMENTS

- State primary elections are being held tomorrow at the Town Hall.
- Thank you to the Trustees of the Memorial Park and Fire Department for a successful tree lighting ceremony.
- Reminder that the Tax Classification Hearing will be held this Wednesday evening, December 9th at 6:00 p.m.
- There will be a program for Town of Millville employees and their families sponsored by the Town's insurance carrier, MIIA, regarding "How to Survive the Holidays." The program will be held Thursday, December 9th at the JFK/AFM complex in Blackstone.

MINUTES

November 4, 2009

To be held until the next Meeting

November 16, 2009

On a motion by Poulin and second by Laura, the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Minutes of November 16, 2009.

November 16, 2009

To be held until the next Meeting.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Poulin and second by Laura, the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Warrants as presented.

CELL PHONE TOWERS

Joseph O'Shea of ATS Communications is present to speak on the possibility of conducting a feasibility study in the Town of Millville for cell phone tower sites. This could generate income for the Town. Mr. O'Shea explains the process and answers questions from the Board. A handout is distributed. The feasibility study involves evaluating wireless coverage for the footprint of the Town, to identify dead spots and to determine if any municipal properties fall near the dead locations. ATS would market the site to wireless carriers. It is estimated the revenue may be \$2,000-\$2,500 per month, per carrier.

Chief Landry advises that the Public Safety departments are in desperate need of an updated tower due to dead spots and issues with the radio system. He would like to see this happen.

Richard Hurteau of the Planning Board explains that the Planning Board is currently working on a Town ordinance involving cell towers to be presented at the Annual Town Meeting. This ordinance would give priority to Town-owned land.

Motion by Laura, second by Poulin, to proceed and give permission to ATS Communications to conduct a feasibility study in Millville as explained. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Chief Landry.

- Received a \$55,000 one-year grant for a full-time officer.
- Advises that the older white cruiser is beyond repair and must be taken out of service. He will be meeting with Capital after the first of the year to discuss the purchase of a new cruiser.
- Has again applied for the car seat grant.

Motion by Laura, second by Poulin, to officially surplus the white cruiser, turn in the registration and remove it from the Town's insurance. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

John Dean.

- Asks for the Board's signature on a Chapter 90 reimbursement form.
- The bid for surface treatment for Chestnut Hill Road will also include Orchard, Depraitre and Milk Streets. The bid opening will be the end of January.

Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to approve and sign the Chapter 90 Reimbursement Form for \$59,602.52. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Norman Thuot.

Mr. Thuot would like to know the status of the Hope Street property encroachment issue and the Agreement for Judgment which was reached by the parties. It is explained that the Town is in the process of enforcing the Agreement for Judgment via documentation including signed affidavits. Lengthy discussion follows regarding the reasoning behind how the Board proceeded on this matter. Chairperson Lima addresses questions from Mr. Thuot and Resident Margaret Carroll. John Dean has concerns regarding a rock which was recently placed on Town property causing puddles. Chief Landry feels the matter should be addressed through the court system as any other way could cause problems. The Board followed the recommendations of Town Counsel and continues to work with Town Counsel on this ongoing litigation.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

Police Department.

Patrolman Brian Crater submitted his resignation to be effective December 20, 2009. Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to accept the resignation of Brian Crater. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Patrolman Stephen Evans submitted his resignation effective November 28, 2009. Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to accept the resignation of Stephen Evans. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

None.

LIAISON REPORTS/UPDATES

Board of Assessors. Selectman Laura indicates that things are running smoothly. The Board of Selectmen received a Memo from the Executive Secretary in conjunction with discussions with Town Accountant Marilyn Mathieu and Chairman of the Board of Assessors, Betsy Cournoyer. The Memo recommends that the Board request an Assessment Review by the Department of Revenue.

Motion by Laura, second by Poulin, to authorize the Executive Secretary to draft a letter to the Department of Revenue requesting an Assessment Review. The letter should first be reviewed by Marilyn and Betsy and available for the Board's review at the next Regular BOS Meeting. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES

<u>Dispatch IMA.</u> The Board reviews the final version of the Inter-Municipal Agreement with Mendon and Hopedale. There was one minor change made from the previous version signed which was approved by Town Counsel.

Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to authorize the Chairperson to sign the six originals of the Inter-municipal Agreement on behalf of the Town. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Shuras Kennel. This matter will be held until the next Meeting.

Assessors Office appointment. Selectman Laura would like to address the matter of appointing Mr. Jim Ryan to the Board of Assessors. An informal legal opinion was received from Town Counsel indicating that although the Board is authorized to remove certain language in the Settlement Agreement, the Board of Selectmen should look into the reasons for the insertion of the language to begin with.

Selectman Poulin recommends holding this until the next Meeting when all members are present to address the matter.

Selectman Laura will check with Mr. Ryan to see if he would like to proceed with an appointment if it involves opening the files for review.

Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to table this matter until the next Meeting. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>2010 Meeting Dates</u>. The Board reviews the 2010 BOS Meeting Dates. Motion by Poulin, second by Laura, to accept the 2010 Meeting Dates. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

2010 Liquor Licenses. There are four establishments that hold liquor licenses in Town. All inspections have been performed and all passed review by the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Building Inspector and Tax Collector. The establishments are: Onnies n Nonnes, Pot Belly Pub, Polish Americans Citizens Club and Century Discount Liquors.

Motion by Poulin, second by Laura to approve and sign the License Renewal Applications for the four establishments. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

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Motion by Poulin, second by Laura to approve and sign the Renewal Certification to be send to the State. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

FINAL PUBLIC FORUM

Paul Ouellette asks the status of the Cable Access. Margaret Carroll provides a brief update. The Cable Committee will be invited to the Board's December 21st Meeting to discuss the status of the equipment. The Board has many questions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Poulin, second by Laura, the Board votes to enter Executive Session under MGL ch.39 section 23B paragraph 3 to discuss ongoing litigation, only to return to open session to adjourn. Roll Call Vote: Lima, aye; Poulin, aye; Laura, aye

ADJOURN

On a motion made by Poulin, second by Laura, the Board votes <u>unanimously</u> to adjourn the Meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Charles Poulin, Secretary

Respectfully Submitted, Helen M. Coffin

Jackie Lima, Chairperson

John Laura, Selectman

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