

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 290 Main Street Millville, MA 01529

Monday, July 1, 2019

#### PRESENT:

Chairman Erica Blake, Vice Chairman, Jennifer Wing Dean, Members, Andrew Alward and Kevin Surette.

## ALSO PRESENT:

Town Administrator, Peter Caruso

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There are no new announcements.

## **MINUTES:**

## June 17, 2019:

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Kevin Surette, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from June 17, 2019. (Erica Blake abstained from vote)

#### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

Resident, Gerry Finn, 47 Grove Street:

Mr. Finn inquired about the status of the audit. It was communicated to Mr. Finn that there was an earmark of \$30,000.00 at the State level for the audit.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

• There is no new correspondence.

# **DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES:**

• No news from the Departments or Committees to report.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Reserve Fund Transfers:

The Board of Selectmen were informed that accountant is currently working on year end numbers and possible transfers. It was recommended to schedule a meeting with the Board of Selectmen next week to review any transfers. This will need to be done prior to meeting with the Finance Committee.

## Playground Equipment Storage Shed:

The Board of Selectmen were informed that a parent wanted to make arrangements for a donation of a shed for playground/recess toys and equipment. It was noted that the School Committee will need to vote to accept this gift. It was also recommended to contact the Town of Millville Parks and Recreation Commission about the placement of the shed.

#### Town Hall Summer Hours:

The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of a memo for a change to the summer hours. This is for a trial basis. There will be no effect on the budget with the change in hours. If a resident need to meet outside of the noted hours, arrangements can be made. The revised hours will be placed on the town website and cable access.

The recommended hours are noted below:

Monday:

9am - 1pm

Tuesday:

9am - 3pm

Wednesday:

9am - 3pm

Thursday:

9am - 3pm

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to adjust the Town Hall hours as noted in the memo.

#### Appointments/Reappointments:

The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of a memo of reappointments. The appointment of Kopelman and Paige was held.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Kevin Surette, the Board voted unanimously to approve the reappointments and appointments as presented through June 30, 2020.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to reappoint Eric Olson to the Conservation Commission.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to check the contract agreement with Kopelman and Paige.

The Chairman read the list of vacancies in town. This list will be posted on the town website and cable access.

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

## Central Street Project:

The Central Street project has slowed down since there are waiting for underground structures, one these are delivered, the work will commence.

#### Cannibas Application:

The Town Administrator has received an inquiry about a possible submittal for a cannabis operation. Mr. Caruso has been in communication with Town Counsel about this inquiry.

#### Baystate Accounting:

Baystate Accounting has an extension of 90 days.

#### Representative Soter:

Representative Soter would like to meet with residents on August 8, 2019.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN FORUM:**

Selectmen Alward wanted to know about the follow-up relating to the speed on Central Street. The Town Administrator communicated that he has spoken with the Highway Surveyor and Police Chief. It is the recommendation to wait to see how the site lines are once the street project is completed.

Selectmen Blake asked if there should be a barrel placed near the bike path. The Police Chief responded that there will be a warning sign placed there from a grant. It is also the plan to possibly reduce the speed to 25 miles an hour once the road is finished. The extra signage will also help reduce speed.

Selectmen Alward asked the Town Administrator if there was a respond from Town Counsel about the wording of the Finance Director in previous minutes. Town Counsel indicated that it is semantics and no issue and the minutes do not need to be changed.

Selectmen Dean Wing communicated that it is great seeing the Senior Center in full swing with programming and events. Thank you to those who made this happen.

# **PUBLIC FORUM**:

There were no comments during public forum

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

# **NEXT MEETING:**

Monday, August 5, 2019.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board voted by Roll Call vote to go into Executive Session under M.G.L Section c. 30 A, 21 (a) (3) to discuss strategy relative to pending litigation where discussion of these matters in open session would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the Town and to reconvene in open session to adjourn the meeting.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Jennifer Dean Wing aye Andrew Alward aye Kevin Surette aye Erica Blake aye

The regular meeting ended at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland Recording Secretary Chairwoman, Erica Blake

Mice Chairwoman, Jennifer Dean Wing

Member, Tom Houle

Member, Andrew Alward

Member, Kevin Surette

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