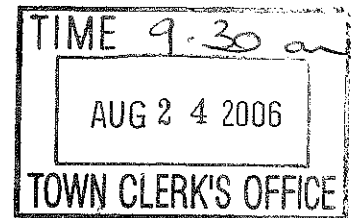


BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2006
WORKSHOP w/ Fire Department @ 5:30 p.m.



Members Present: D. McCutcheon, Chairperson; P. Savage, Vice Chairman;
B. Dicks, Selectman

Members Arrived Late: K. Gikas, Selectman

Members Absent: T. Petrowicz, Selectman

Others Present: H. Coffin, Executive Secretary; J. Mullaly, Fire Chief;
L. Clements, Deputy Fire Chief

The Board meets with the Fire Chief to discuss staffing issues at the Fire Department. The Board reviews and discusses information provided by the Chief indicating staff coverage compared to the number of calls received during the month of July. The parties discuss ways of motivating staff to take additional shifts and further, how to go about attracting new people to the Department. Brief review of advertising options and the posting of open positions on the Town cable channel. The Board would like the Chief to continue documenting the staffing each month and turn the statistics in monthly.


The parties discussed the current circumstances regarding the Town's ambulance and its eventual replacement. The Board would like to obtain information regarding leasing rather than purchasing from the Town Accountant.

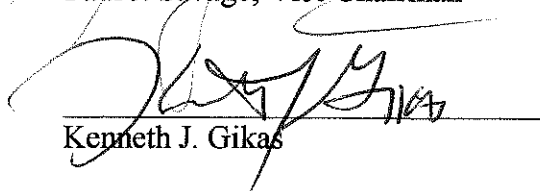
Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Coffin

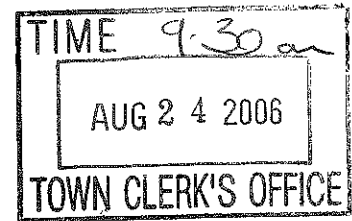

Diane O. McCutcheon, Chairperson


Paul J. Savage, Vice Chairman


Brian T. Dicks


Kenneth J. Gikas

**TOWN OF MILLVILLE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Monday, August 7, 2006**



The meeting duly posted with the Town Clerk, opened at 7:00 p.m.

Present were Chairperson Diane McCutcheon, Vice Chairman Paul Savage, Selectmen Brian Dicks and Ken Gikas. Also present was Executive Secretary Helen Coffin and Scribe Amy Sutherland.

Not Present: Selectman Tom Petrowicz

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A reminder to all town employees to complete necessary NIMS training. The deadline is September 30, 2006.
- The Special Town meeting is scheduled for Tuesday August 22nd at 7:00 p.m.
- There will be a member of the Board of Selectmen available on one Wednesday evening a month at the Town Hall from 6:00 –8:00 p.m beginning in September.
- Thank you to the Fire and Police Departments, and to all the residents who offered recent help with a tree that fell onto Lincoln St. A special thank you to Brian Mullaly for coming to cut up the tree.
- Channel 4 had a feature story about Lyme Disease and they interviewed Millville resident Mark Morton who serves on the Conservation Commission. He was infected by Lyme Disease and has provided information on the town website to inform people about the signs and symptoms of this disease. The Board of Selectmen hopes he has a speedy recovery.
- There are vacancies on a few boards. Please contact the Executive Secretary if interested.
- There was an article in the Municipal Advocate recognizing the Blackstone Town Administrator Ray Houle for his actions taken in the contamination of the water tank.

Approval of Minutes:

- On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the Executive Session minutes dated June 5, 2006.

- On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the Executive Session minutes dated June 19, 2006.
- On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the Workshop Session minutes dated June 19, 2006.
- On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the minutes from the regular meeting dated July 17, 2006 with the noted changes to the Electrical Monthly Report and addressing that the mold problem has been fixed at Firestation 2.

Appointments:

- On a motion made by Ken Gikas, and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to appoint Rebacka Lapierre as the part-time dispatcher through June 30, 2007 pending completion of the required training.
- On a motion made by Ken Gikas, and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to appoint Chris Kalnicki as a Part-time patrolman and dispatcher through June 30, 2007.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- There is a Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission meeting being held on Wednesday August 16, 2006 at 4:30 in Worcester.
- The Board of Selectmen has sent a letter to Senator Moore showing support for the feasibility study on railroad service.
- The town will receive a STRAP Grant of \$227,850.00 for the Lincoln St. project.
- The requirements for the new postal service have been outlined. They will be trying to find a new facility. This project has not received fully funded.
- A letter from the Blackstone Valley Heritage Commission indicated that 25% of the design plan for the bikeway is completed. They will be changing the review of plan by adding a split rail fence.
- A letter was received from Governor Romney releasing 55 million dollars in Chapter 90 monies. The town will get an additional \$26,000+/-.
- Electrical report for July.
3 permits: \$200.00

8 inspections: \$280.00
Total: \$1775.00

GOOD AND WELFARE:

John Dean work on the sidewalk. The sidewalk repair is only a temporary repair. John was trying to get the federal government to pay, but they denied that. John is recommending that the town possibly use the strap grant.

Selectmen Dicks informed the residents of Millville that he has purchased a piece of property in another town. When the business deal is final he will then submit an official resignation to the town.

Selectmen Gikas informed residents that he has bought property in another town and will let the Board of Selectmen know when it is official and will resign from his position.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT:

Special Town Meeting:

The Special Town Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. The final drafts are available and require signatures from the Board of Selectmen signatures. On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the warrant.

Strap Grant Contract:

On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract with MASS Highway for the Lincoln St. project.

Collective bargaining for the labor agreement:

The Board of Selectmen will sign agreement.

Handicap Ramp Bid:

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract for the handicap ramp.

The work will begin the week of August 28, 2006. It will be completed by September 8, 2006. Helen will coordinate with the police in regards to the access in and out.

Crack sealing Bid:

On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract for the crack sealing.

Town Hall Exhaust Fan:

The town hall fan has been fixed.

Town Hall Downspouts:

The three downspouts on the town hall were repaired.

Legal Request:

On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Ken Gikas, and seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Planning Board to seek legal advice.

Library Permit Waiver Fee:

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Paul Savage, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize a waiver of building permit fee for the town library.

Community Opportunity Group:

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Chairperson to sign the new agreement relating to in-kind work at the new Senior Center.

Senior Center director:

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, and seconded by Ken Gikas, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to authorize the Chairperson to sign the application for the Council on Aging formula grant.

Air Conditioning System:

The executive secretary received a quote of \$5,000 to provide a ductless air conditioning system for the Board of Selectmen room. The Board of Selectmen are in agreement that this estimate is too much. The executive secretary will look into getting just a new air conditioner for upstairs.

Town Planner:

The new Town Planner is coming up with some good ideas and the Board of Selectmen would like him to come to one of the meetings.

Charter Complaint:

The Board of Selectmen received an email from a resident complaining about charter communications. This resident does not understand why the town cannot use another company. The Board of Selectmen explained that the town is under a ten-year contract with Charter. Any resident that has a complaint should contact the executive secretary and also provide a written reason so we could address it with Charter.

Resignation:

On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the resignation from Erin Chicoine as a part-time dispatcher.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Snow Plowing Contract:**

Mr. Lafontaine will be taking over the contract for Mr. Lemay. The board has received excellent references. The Board of Selectmen met with John Dean and he would like the snowplow drivers to use the time cards. This will be monitored by John Dean. If John is not available Helen will make copies of the time cards and handle the billing.

- **Police Chief Hiring Process:**

The advertising for the new police chief is being advertised. The applications are due back September 15, 2006.

- **Police Department Assessments:**

The police department is in the process of being assessed. This is being completed by a professional organization that will make specific recommendations to the town once completed. The assessment team will be compiling information from a variety of sources.

- **Landfill:**

The company, BATG, that was hired to cap landfill has encroached into the wetlands. There will be a joint meeting with the Conservation Commission, Tata & Howard, and BATG to assess and determine what steps to take. The meeting will be Wednesday, August 9, 2006.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Kopelman & Paige:**

Jay Talerman, the lead attorney from Kopelman & Paige, has recently left the firm. Our new lead counsel recently appointed is Lauren Goldberg. The Board of Selectmen wants to research other firms.

- **Quaker Street:**

The Board of Selectmen wants the sidewalk issue resolved by Carriage Estates II.

- **Tree Warden:**


The Board of Selectmen would like to set up a meeting with the tree warden to determine if more support is needed.

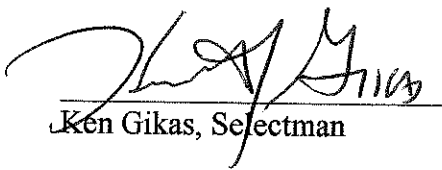
On a motion made by Paul Savage, and seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Sutherland


Diane McCutcheon, Chairperson


Paul Savage, Vice Chairman


Brian Dicks, Selectman


Ken Gikas, Selectman