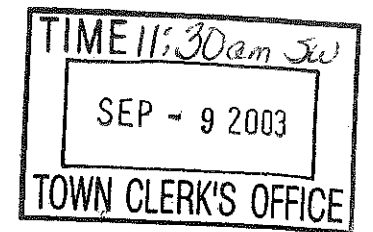


**TOWN OF MILLVILLE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
August 18, 2003**



The meeting duly posted with the Town Clerk, opened at 7:00 PM
Present were: Chairman Diane McCutcheon, Vice Chairman Paul Savage, Brian Dicks, Mike Pare and Tom Petrowicz. Also present were Executive Secretary Suzanne Horne, Scriber Amy Sutherland

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder to all board members that the informational workshop meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 15, at 6:00 PM.

The next Selectmen's meeting will be Monday, September 8, at 7:00 PM

The following Selectmen's meeting will be September 22, at 6:00 PM for a working session.

Diane McCutcheon and Paul Savage attended a meeting in Franklin hosted by Lieutenant Governor, Kerry Healey. This meeting was very informative.

Congratulations to Jennifer Dean and Keith Wing on their recent wedding.

The new fire truck has arrived and thanks to all residents for the support in acquiring this.

Deb McGee informed all that the fiscal 2004 Real Estate Taxes collected is 92% and Personal Property is 95% collected.

There continues to be opening on the board. Contact Sue if interested.

The Board of Health has an opening for a secretarial position. The hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM along with meetings the first and third Wednesday evening from 6:15 PM to 8:45 PM

On a motion made by Mike Pare, seconded by Tom Petrowicz, the Board votes unanimously to appoint John Shurick for the full-time dispatcher position through June 30th, 2004.

PUBLIC FORUM/GOOD & WELFARE

CORRESPONDENCE

MMA will be holding a conference for Selectmen on Friday & Saturday, September 19-20th at UMASS Amherst. Registration deadline is Monday, September 15th. If interested contact Sue Horne.

CMRPC will have their meeting on Friday, August 22nd at 10:00 at MASS Highway.

Charter has activated the AMBER ALERT system. There were a few glitches with this message, but these will be worked out.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

There is no news in regards to 46 Hope St.

There were 8 RFP's returned for the Phase 1 on the Legion. The Senior Center/Design Committee has reviewed all 8 and feels extremely confident with their top three choices. Sue will be checking references and conducting phone interviews

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, seconded by Mike Pare, the Board votes unanimously to authorize Sue Horne to award the Senior Center Contract after completing the reference checks and conducting the interviews.

Sue is still working on the disposition of property. She will have more information at the next meeting.

The bridge project is still planned to go out to bid by the end of the fiscal year.

Verizon will be coming in September to complete the planting at the "Old Town Hall Park". The name of this park will be a town article, to vote on if necessary.

The town employee badges are in, but Sue will be checking into getting clips for these.

Onnies/Nonnies should be getting their license from the ABCC by the end of the week.

Chief Mullaly has the titles for the two fire engines. The first will be returned to LeFrance since it was a loaner and the second will be disposed of.

It was the consensus of the Board to have Diane sign then Subordination agreement for Virginia Ethier.

OLD BUSINESS

Sue has copies of the agreement with Factory Auto.

Brian Dicks mentioned that Cable Access channel 11,12,13 has the buzzing sound back.

Mike Pare mentioned the recurring puddles at the police station, due to the paving patches from Precision Paving. He would like further action to be taken.

On a motion made by Mike Pare, seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board votes unanimously to give Sue Horne to authority to pursue the next steps in resolving this problem with Precision Paving.

Mike Pare informed the Board that he had researched several motion detectors ranging in price from \$175.00 - \$199.00. These devices would mount to the door and would only require a 9 volt battery since they are wireless.

Tom Petrowicz will be working on the phone equipment so that Cable Access may begin to occupy the room.

Sue will be researching and getting further clarification and interpretation in regards to Cork Circle emergency access.

On a motion made by Mike Pare, seconded by Brian Dicks, the Board votes unanimously have Sue send the Deeds to town counsel to seek clarity on the terminology. She will also contact Blackstone to seek assistance on how they settle a similar problem.

NEW BUSINESS

Tom Petrowicz wanted to mention his concern about the speeding in town. He urges residents to slow down with the beginning of school year starting in a few weeks. Chief Ryan would like residents to call his office if you notice speeding on certain streets.

Tom Petrowicz would like the school committee to review the bus routes on Kempton/Chestnut. Tom believes this is a problem, in which he has witnessed several potential accidents. Chief Ryan spoke and informed the Board that this same issue was addressed last year and the reason why buses can't go down this particular cul-de-sac street is that it adds time to the bus routes.

On a motion made by Paul Savage, seconded by Mike Pare, the Board votes unanimously to have Sue Horne draft a letter to the School Committee addressing the concern in regards to Kempton/Chestnut St.

GOOD & WELFARE

John Dean:

1. mentioned that the bus stops are a continuing problem with more new developments being built;
2. wanted to inform the Board that the mail for the housing authority is piling up. Diane mentioned that the mail should be opened to make sure there is not any important correspondence;
3. informed the Board that his workers are 95% finished doing the cutting and trimming on the streets. The cemetery is also complete.
4. shared information about the guardrail that is requested by the Blackstone Valley National Heritage Corridor.

Chief Ryan wanted to address several issues:

1. Shared the new pre-emption devices. He currently has five.
2. The Grafton Barracks will be determining the criteria when an AMBER ALERT is called.
3. The students at the Vocational Technical School will look at the bodywork on the cruiser. They will determine how long the work will take to complete.
4. Chief Ryan informed the Board that he will be getting the Bullet Proof Vests for no cost to the town. There is another grant to offset the remainder of the cost.
5. Badge America has completed the last batch of ID's.
6. All the cruisers are paid for.
7. Chief Ryan recently hired a part-time dispatcher. She will begin training for 911 soon.
8. A new patrolman will be starting after the background check and physical are complete.
9. There will be a MASS on Emergency Management on Sunday, September 14th at 8:00 a.m.
10. The Jimmy Fund Walk is tentatively scheduled for the third Friday in September.

Mike Pare wanted to commend Chief Ryan on his hard work.

On a motion made by Brian Dicks, seconded by Tom Petrowicz, the Board votes unanimously to accept the minutes from August 4th as written.

On a motion made by Mike Pare, seconded by Tom Petrowicz, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland


Diane McCutcheon


Paul Savage


Mike Pare


Brian Dicks


Tom Petrowicz