



BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

290 Main Street

Millville, MA 01529

Monday September 26, 2022

PRESENT:

Chairman Jennifer Gill, Vice Chairman, Andrew Alward and Member Richard Bremilst.

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Administrator, Peter Caruso

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Reminder BMRSD SEPAC Truckapalooza will take place on October 2, 2022 from 12-4 pm at BMRHS.
- MECC Dispatch Career Days will take place and open interviews are October 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.
- The Zoomobile will be at the Millville Senior Center on October 1, 2022 from 10:00 – 11:00 am

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Notice of filing a public hearing from Eversource. – presenting 3-year energy efficiency plan.
- There was a memo from National Grid recommending residents to take part in the Energy Aggregation Program.

Consideration of 66 Ironstone St. As Public Nuisance.

The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of paperwork regarding the historical issues with the property located at 66 Ironstone Street dating back to 1995. The Building Commissioner and Board of Health has been active in pursuing this being a public nuisance. The town has sent several letters through the years. The property owners at this location have been deceased for a few years. There needs to be mitigation put in place with achievable timelines for completion.

A representative for the family was on zoom. She communicated that she wants to work with the town in resolving this situation. She was instructed to communicate with the Town through the Town Administrator. There was a suggestion to get a power of attorney for this property.

Paul Parenteau, abutter expressed that he has lived next to this property and has made numerous complaints through the years with no resolution. There is currently a big rat issue on the site. There are also tires, unregistered vehicles and debris on site.

This process of designating the property as a Public Nuisance in accordance with Town Bylaws will continue at future Board of Selectmen meeting while the property stakeholders work to resolve this situation.

MINUTES:

August 15, 2022:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from August 15, 2022 as revised.

September 6, 2022:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from September 6, 2022 as revised.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS:

Planning Board:

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the documentation for the appointment of Jason Maille as a Planning Board member and Pamela Williams to the Planning Board as an Associate Member through June 30, 2023.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Jason Maille as the member of the Planning Board until the next election and also to appoint Pamela Williams as an Associate Member for a term through June 30, 2023.

Part-Time Police Officer:

The Board of Selectmen were in receipt of the resume and letter of interest for Shawn Hollis for part time police officer. Chief Coupe provided an overview of this experience. This applicant has attended the bridge academy.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Shawn Hollis as a part time police officer through June 30, 2023.

Cultural Council:

The Board is in receipt of paperwork from Joyce Indelicato who is interested in serving on the Millville Cultural Council through June 30, 2025.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Joyce Indelicato to the Millville Cultural Council through June 30, 2025.

Adoption of the Town of Millville Hazard Mitigation Plan 2022 Update:

Sarah Hoecker was present to review the draft of the Town of Millville Hazard Mitigation Plan 2022. This plan needs to be adopted and was updated to have the town be eligible for a variety of State and Federal grants. Without the adoption of this document, the town is not eligible for some of the grants. This document was put together with the efforts of many Board and Committee members and residents. By adopting this plan the town will be in a good position to apply for grants in the Fall and Spring. The last grant period has been extended to December 31, 2022. There is a grant opportunity for Federal grants which at 90% federal funds and 10% town funds. The BOS will be looking into this further. There will also be a meeting with representatives to see what streets may be eligible for some of these funds.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Town of Millville Hazard Mitigation Plan as prepared.

ARPA FUNDS:

The representative Sarah Hoecker was present. The Board of Selectmen were informed that there will be an updated sheet showing what has been allocated and spent relative to the ARPA funds. The Board of Selectmen will be provided a sheet at the next meeting with an update on the spending to date. The Town Administrator also has a list of items which could be funded with this money. This will also be reviewed at the next meeting.

There will be a request for the library furnace. This has been on capital for years. These funds can be used for this. The MES control system has also failed and there are quotes being gathered for this.

This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Friends of the Town Millville Library Toll Day Approval:

There has been an application submitted for a parade/toll day permit. The application was submitted by Alyssa Thompson for the Friends of Millville Library. The date will be October 15, 2022 from 8:00 -1:00 with a rain date of October 22, 2022. The paperwork is complete.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to approve the toll road permit for October 15, 2022 and a rain date of October 22, 2022 for the Friends of the Library.

NEW BUSINESS:

Preliminary Special Town Meeting Consideration and Planning:

There is no reason to hold a special town meeting.

Consideration of the BOS/Department Newsletter:

There was discussion about sending out a newsletter to residents about the happenings in town. The newsletter can include information about the energy aggregation and how to apply, the

insurance reimbursement of funds stolen by the former accountant, and the work that has been done with the State representatives. The goal is to have something sent out in November.

OLD BUSINESS:

Continuation/Update of Discussion of BOS Policies and Procedures:

The Board is in receipt of the most recent version of the BOS policies and procedures. The vision statement was included with the goals of the master plan from 2018. In the policies, it referenced the vision and goals and cross referenced the master plan. There were revisions to the appointment policy. There were also revisions to the hold over status. The debit card policy was reviewed and updated within the in the policy document. There was also a recommendation about the disposition of equipment. Once the document includes all the revisions, it will be adopted by the Board.

PUBLIC FORUM:

- No comments

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT:

- Richard Bremilst reported on a library event he attended for the dedication of a bench recognizing the years of service to the library by longtime resident Evelyn McNamara.

NEXT MEETING:

- October 3, 2022

Executive Session:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted by roll call to enter into Executive Session per M.G.L, Section 30A, Section 21 (a)(2) to discuss strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel (Police Chief) and also under per M.G.L, Section 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss strategy relative to pending litigation (BMRSD/Millville v NV5 et al) where discussion of these matters in open session would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the town.

Roll Call Vote:

Andrew Alward	Aye
Richard Bremilst	Aye
Jennifer Gill	Aye

ADJOURN:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

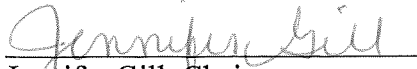
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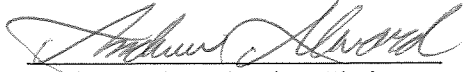
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Recording Secretary

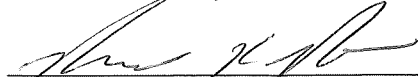
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