



BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
290 Main Street

Millville, MA 01529

7 PM Monday November 14, 2022

PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Administrator Peter Caruso

RESIGNATION:

Veterans Services Officer:

On a motion made by Jennifer Gill, seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Jean Turcotte as the Veterans Services Officer.

APPOINTMENT:

Veterans Services Officer:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Warren Campbell as the Veterans Services Officer through June 30, 2023.

Conservation Commission:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Roland Barrett as a Conservation Commission Member through June 30, 2023.

Cultural Council:

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Kristen Alves, Nicole O'Brien, and Lynn Foley to the Cultural Council through June 30, 2023.

Reappointment Cultural Council :

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted unanimously to reappoint Erica Allen as a member of the Cultural Council through June 30, 2023.

BMRSD MES Heating System Capital Requirement and Potential Use of ARPA Funds :

The Board of Selectmen will be provided with updated ARPA funds and spendings at the next meeting. The list of spending is still being worked on. It was suggested that there be a memo sent out to the Boards/Committees asking if there are any further needed items. Some of the anticipated fundings would include police station renovations, town hall renovations, funding senior center van, facility software upgrades, and \$55,000 needed in FY 24 for mitigation of asbestos at the high school. There is also a list of the current school repairs which are needed. The MES heating repairs are reported to be covered by insurance. The BOS need to sign the funding consent approval in case insurance payments come through the town. It has not yet been determined if the school or town insurance will cover this cost.

On a motion made Rich Bremilst, seconded by Jennifer Gill, the Board voted to sign the capital repairs consent approval per the regional and lease agreement for the Blackstone Regional District Heating Repairs. Andrew Alward abstained.

Library HVAC System Replacement:

The Board was informed that the furnace at the library continues to fail. This replacement has been on the capital agenda the last three years. The quote to fix this is \$15,500.00. This will be paid through ARPA funds.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted to approve the quote for \$15,500.00 to be used to fix the furnace at the library, which will be funded using ARPA funds.

Revised Shared Planning Intermunicipal Agreement:

The Board is in receipt of the revised intermunicipal agreement for a shared planner for the towns of Uxbridge, Mendon and Millville. The IMA includes funding for a junior planner. There are 6 hours for a junior planner and one hour for a senior planner. The goal is to have the senior planner phase out in 18 months.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted to approve the shared planner intermunicipal agreement as presented.

Consideration of Sale of 46 Hope Street Under Affordable Housing Restriction:

The Board is in receipt of a request to approve the sale of an 8 unit affordable housing facility at 46 Hope Street which was initially financed in part using grant monies received by the Town.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board of Selectmen voted to authorize Tri Properties, Inc., the owner of property located at 46 Hope Street and subject to an Affordable Housing Restriction held by the Town, to convey said property subject to said Restriction provided that Tri Properties, Inc. repays the Town the amounts secured by the Town's mortgage on said property, and to execute, and to authorize the Chair to execute on behalf of the Select Board, any consents, releases, discharge of mortgage, and/or other documents as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

Policy Discussion Town Handling of Complaints:

The Board of Selectmen wanted to discuss how it will handle the complaints which come into town. The Board discussed that the Town Administrator will be handling the initial complaints and will decide which Boards/Committees need to be notified. The most recent complaint regarding 52 Fisher Street has been handled. There were site visits by necessary departments and no violations were found.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:

The Board of Selectmen continue to work on the finalization of the policies and procedures. The last edits were incorporated into the current document.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward, seconded by Richard Bremilst, the Board voted to approve the Policies and Procedures with revisions. (The new amended dates will be added)

BOARDS AND DEPARTMENTS:

- Highway Surveyor Brian Mullaly will be invited again to the next meeting to go over the Highway Department agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Thanksgiving festival at BMR will be November 15, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

MINUTES:

OCTOBER 17, 2022:

On a motion made by Jennifer Gill, seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board voted to approve the minutes of October 17, 2022 as revised.

TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

MES Water:

The Board is in receipt of an updated correspondence from Mass DEP. The Town has been able to have the elimination of some of the testing requirements approved. The town will continue to work on a improved solutions.

Kempton Water:

The Town Administrator met with Congressman McGovern and other representatives about the water situation at Kempton Road caused by illegal chemical dumping decades ago. The Town of Uxbridge currently provides limited water to this area. Uxbridge is seeking funding of a \$4.5 million project to improve water services in the affected areas.

Cable Advisory Committee:

The Cable Access Committee has been working to renew the expiring cable contract with Charter Communications. The town has been in a hold over status since August. The Committee is providing edits to the present contract. The town is looking to get greater band width and other service and contract benefits. Fios is also coming to the Town. The Committee will continue to work on finalizing the contract, including sending a committee edited contract to Charter in the near future.

Lifted Luxury:

The Board of Selectmen discussed at a previous meeting that they will provide Lifted Luxury until the end of the year to show progress. The Board of Selectmen would like the applicant to be invited to the December meeting.

Next meeting: December 5, 2022

Executive Session:

On a motion made by Jennifer Gill, seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board voted by Roll Call to enter into executive session per M.G.L. Section 30 A, Section 21(a)(3), to discuss strategy relative to pending litigation (BMRSD/Millville v NV5 et al and Detoma v Town of Millville) where discussion of these matters in open session would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the town.

Roll Call Vote:

Jennifer Gill	Aye
Andrew Alward	Aye
Richard Bremilst	Aye

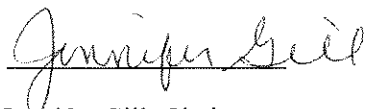
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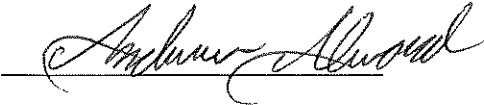
Respectfully Submitted,

TOWN CLERK

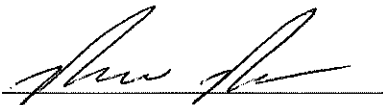
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