

**MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Millville Town Hall
290 Main Street**

January 2, 2018

Board Members Present: Chairman Joseph Rapoza; Vice Chairman Jennifer Dean Wing; Selectman Roland Barrett; Tom Houle; Andrew Alward.

Also Present: Town Administrator, Jennifer Callahan

Minutes

December 13, 2017:

Selectmen Dean Wing would like the minutes to be held over until the next meeting.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board voted unanimously to table the minutes until the next meeting.

Department/Board:

Highway Snow Sidewalks:

Highway Surveyor was present and explained there have been eight snow events over the last month. There have been some changes this year in how we are contracting for snow plowing and road treatment. A time clock has been installed at the salt shed. There has been 780 tons of salt ordered. It took 440 tons to top off what we had in the shed. The members are in receipt of a packet regarding regulations relating to sidewalk clearing. All residents are responsible for clearing sidewalks in front of their homes within 24 hours of snow events. Also, residents should adhere to the winter parking ban, since it makes plowing easier when those vehicles are off the streets. Information about the parking ban and snow events have been posted on the Town website.

Council on Aging:

Resignation:

On a motion made by Tom Houle and seconded by Jennifer Dean Wing, the Board of Selectmen voted to accept the resignation of Michelle Dumond and Judith Monroe from the Council on Aging.

Appointment:

On a motion made by Tom Houle and seconded by Jennifer Dean Wing, the Board of Selectmen voted to appoint Pamela Dean Kobetitsch to the Council on Aging.

Top Dog Winner:

The Town Clerk's Office has completed its annual top dog contest. Jesse, a Miniature Pinscher, owned by Deborah Ducharme was voted Millville's Top Dog. There were 11 contestants submitted. The voting was done by the public and internal staff members.

Public Forum/Citizen Comments:

- There were no citizen comments.

Correspondence:

- The Blackstone/Millville School Committee is seeking another Blackstone member to serve. There was a recent resignation. This is being posted.
- MORE: Regional meeting scheduled for January 17th at 10:00 am in Worcester.
- MIIA: Issued information alerts about emergency freeze and water loss prevention.

New Business:

Demolition Day:

The demolition on Central Street is complete. In the spring, there will be grading and removal of the asphalt. To stick with the aggressive timetable, the Town Administrator will be putting together an RFQ for the property redevelopment. Selectman Rapoza referenced a document from the Massachusetts Department of Recreation and Conservation which could be used as a reference. The RFQ submission timeline will be within 45 days.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Joe Rapoza, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to issue the RFQ with a minimum of a 45 day posting period.

The Highway Surveyor wanted guidance about what to do with the barrels on site. It was agreed upon to allow the Highway Surveyor discretion, but it was suggested to put the barrels 1/3 up the paved area on Bow Street.

Old business:

Selectmen Forum:

Selectmen Houle wanted an update on the possible solar project on Lincoln Street. The Town Administrator indicated there has been no proposal submitted to the Planning Board. This is the owner's responsibility to provide the correct documentation necessary along with proper permits.

Selectmen Rapoza would like to convene a workshop to discuss the increase to the tax bills. He would like to review the policies and practices involving the evaluations. His current bill increased 38% and thinks it would be helpful for resident to better understand what goes into determining overall property values and tax rates.

The Town Administrator explained there is currently a new professional assessor for the Town and he is willing to provide information. Selectmen Rapoza indicated that the last report of the Assessors department from 2010 had 14 recommendations which should have been implemented. With the new Assessor, the Town needs to make sure this will finally happen. The Town Administrator will work on setting up a meeting or workshop.

Town Administrator's Report:

Tax Bills:

The tax bills did get distributed on time. There was an Open Space & Recreation Planning preliminary survey which was included. It is hoped that residents will take the time to fill this

out. The Town received a grant and will be working with CMRPC to put together all the information by an aggressive deadline of June 2018.

School Committee Budget Meeting:

The Board of Selectmen is invited to attend a meeting with the School Committee on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the BMR High School. The Superintendent will speak about the upcoming budget.

Senior Van Driver:

There is a part-time senior center transportation driving position available. The qualifications and requirements are posted for those interested.

Alcohol License:

The Town submitted the alcohol licenses and they are accepted and there were no violations.

Future Meeting:

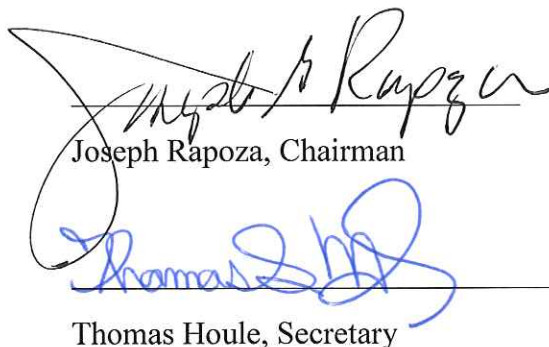
- Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

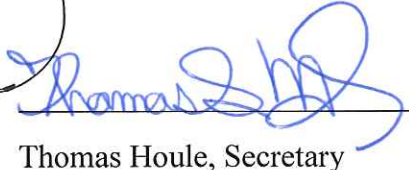
Adjourn:

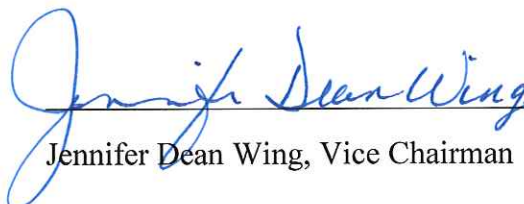
On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by, Tom Houle, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm.

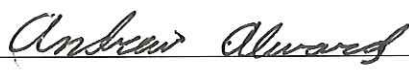
Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Recording Secretary


Joseph Rapoza, Chairman


Thomas Houle, Secretary


Jennifer Dean Wing, Vice Chairman


Andrew Alward, Member

Roland Barrett, Member