

MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING MINUTES

Millville Senior Center, 40 Prospect Street

February 21, 2017

Board Members Present: Chairman Joseph Rapoza; Vice Chairman Jennifer Dean Wing
and Selectman Roland Barrett

Also Present: Town Administrator, Jennifer Callahan

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

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TIME:

Signature

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:08 pm.

Announcements:

- The Millville Elementary School will be holding the Community Reading Day on Thursday, March 2, 2017. The Town Administrator will be reading at this event along with representatives from public safety.
- The Town Administrator and the Board extended Birthday wishes Moderator Les Davis

Minutes:

February 6, 2017:

On a motion made by Roland Barrett and seconded by Jennifer Dean Wing, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the minutes from February 6, 2017.

Public Forum/Citizen Comments:

- There were no citizen comments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Special Employee Status:

Deputy Chie Steve Furno seeks special employee status to be able to plow for the town.

On a motion made by Roland Barrett and seconded by Jennifer Dean Wing, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to appoint Steve Furno as a special employee for the Town of Millville to allow him to snow plow for the town.

Town Clerk:

The Town Administrator will work with the Town Clerk in applying for a grant for up to \$6,000 through the National Endowment for Humanities which would provide preservation of government documents to assist the Town Clerk's Office. This could include digitalizing and storage. The deadline for submittal is May 2, 2017.

POSTED
On-line

The town received a letter from the Rhode Island Department of Transportation stating construction on the Central Street Bridge will begin March 1, 2017 and should conclude by the end of November 2017. This will add more traffic to Providence Street. Selectmen JD Wing and R Barrett suggested the following: Put this information on the town website; Speak with Chief Landry about increased police presence at Providence Street; Use the electronic board to inform public and notify neighboring ambulance services about this construction.

A nonprofit representative contacted the Town to see if the town wanted to take part in a program called Vehicles for Veterans. The Board would like to Town Administrator to research this company and also inform the Veteran's Agent Lincoln Barber about the request. The Board is hesitant about putting information like this on the Town's website.

FEMA approved the CMRPC- Town of Millville's hazardous mitigation planning submission. This was a long process with CMRCP. This now allows the town to qualify for mitigation grants.

Town Kennel:

The town was made aware that the Aldrich Kennel will no longer be taking dogs. The town is exploring opportunities with the Town of Blackstone. The Town Administrator & Chief Landry met with Blackstone Police Chief and Animal Control to discuss a possible agreement. They visited the proposed Blackstone Animal Shelter site and it was very clean. There was a recommendation that before any decision is made the town should do a cost comparison of options.

New Business:

Budget:

The town will be modernizing the budget process. This year, departments will be submitting their budget requests on-line. This will be in place February 28, 2017. The process will be reviewed with department heads. This new system should assist with the budgeting for 2018. The finance committee has been informed of this change.

Central Street:

Prior to discussion, Selectmen Dean-Wing recused herself.

The Town Administrator informed all that the EPA has provided a large document with the evaluation which was done at 171 Central Street and surrounding properties. The town is still waiting for the EPA results from Rhode Island sites. There will be a public meeting set up at the senior center where representatives from the State will explain the results, once the results from the Rhode Island evaluation report are completed. The current report will be placed on a link under the Board of Health website.

Selectmen Dean-Wing returned after discussion of the agenda item was completed.

Blackstone Valley Regional Study:

There has been a recent CMRPC study concerning freight rail potential along Blackstone Valley railroad lines. Millville expressed concerns about ethanol transportation through town and fire suppression capabilities. This will continue to be an item for discussion with the planning board

to see if there is indeed any economic development opportunity with regards to freight rail along 181 Main Street property.

Complete Street News:

The Town Administrator announced they have received their grant request of \$29, 400. This grant will be used to produce a priority plan of all streets in town. She thanked the Board for adopting a policy to be eligible. The town will continue working with TEC Engineering to get documents needed to put the plan in place. The timeline for this is quick and once completed the Town Administrator will be seeking further grant funding to implement recommended improvements.

Selectmen Forum:

Selectmen Dean-Wing wanted to acknowledge the recent passing of Mr. DelGizzi who was a resident of Blackstone who impacted the lives of many people, especially children who were part of the town's baseball program. Condolences go out to his family.

Town Administrator Report:

Town Hall update:

The following work has been completed or is on-going:

- Plastering of the BOS meeting room.
- Bathroom plumbing and fixtures are almost complete.
- Wiring for State computers are in place.
- Reviewing options for a new phone system.
- Cabinets have been delivered for employee kitchen area.

Town Meeting Schedule:

The town meeting warrant was opened and will close on March 20, 2017. There was discussion about not having a special town meeting prior to the Annual Meeting. All of the necessary business will be able to be covered during the annual meeting.

Regional Agreement:

The town will need to start discussion about the regional communications dispatch agreement with the Town of Mendon. The members are in receipt of the old agreement. The Town Administrator has reached out to Mendon about setting up a date and time.

Future Meeting:

- The next Board of Selectmen meeting will be Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourned:

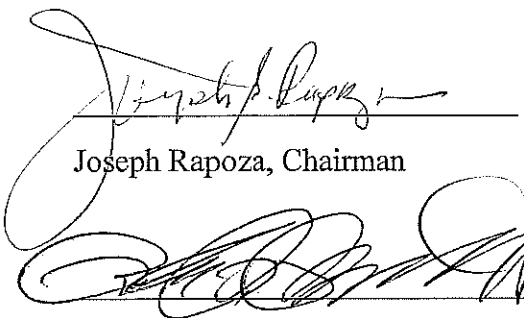
On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen vote unanimously to adjourn.

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Callahan & Amy Sutherland

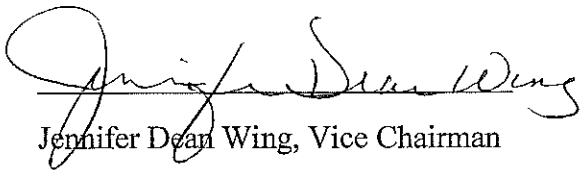
Board of Selectmen Signatures:



Joseph Rapoza, Chairman



Roland P. Barrett, Member



Jennifer Dean Wing, Vice Chairman