

MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES

July 10, 2017

Millville Public Library, 169 Main St, Millville

Board Members Present: Chairman Joseph Rapoza; Selectmen Jennifer Dean Wing, Roland Barrett and Andrew Alward

Also Present: Town Administrator, Jennifer Callahan

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Announcements:

- Town hall is having a “soft” move on Thursday, July 13, 2017. An open house will be scheduled for the first week on August on a Wednesday evening.
- Story time at the library will be Thursday, July 13 & 20 at 10:00 am.

Minutes:

June 5, 2017:

Selectmen Alward noted corrections he would like in the minutes:

- The sentence Board of Selectmen “remained” in audience should be “moved” to audience.
- Public Forum section, resident wanted written confirmation of phase two.
- Special Town Meeting section, he noted Blackstone voted to approve changes which were higher. Not all in agreement with the Selectman Alward’s reasoning for recommended wording change. Selectman Dean Wing offered suggestions and the Town Administrator agreed to work on compromise language.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Andrew Alward, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the minutes from June 5, 2017 with noted revisions.

June 19, 2017:

The minutes from June 19, 2017 will be tabled until the next meeting.

Appointments/Resignations:

Council on Aging:

Resignation of Robert and Ellen Bowen:

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Ellen and Robert Bowen.

Richard Hurteau has chosen to not be reappointed.

The Town Administrator will put an announcement on the website seeking members.

Part-Time Patrolman:

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing, and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board of Selectmen accepted the resignation of Jeffrey Beckwith as the part-time patrolman.

Public Forum:

A resident spoke about the junk yard that has been created at 31 Hill Street.

The Town Administrator informed the resident that the town is aware of what is happening there and the Conservation has issued a non-disposition ticket.

The abutter indicated that the owner of 31 Hill Street is burning debris and must have a scanner since each time the police come, the fire is distinguished.

The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen would like to discuss this in executive session at their next meeting for potential litigation.

Public Records Guidelines:

The Board was made aware that based on the new public record guidelines. The town needs to appoint a records officer who will take in the requests and fulfill the request within the allotted timeframe. The town clerk would like to fulfill this appointment.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Joe Rapoza, the Board of Selectmen voted to place the official public records officer on the next agenda for appointment.

Vocational Schools:

The Board was made aware that the Norfolk Agricultural numbers have not changed. Tri-County has two returning students and potentially two more. The student's decision to attend is needed by July 14, 2017. Once the town gets the official numbers the transportation number may need to be revised. There will also be a student going to Keefe Tech in Framingham. It was suggested to reach out to the other communities to see if there are any students in those towns going to Keefe Tech, this could assist determining if another vehicle is needed for transportation.

Attorney General Office:

The Attorney General Office has informed the town that more time is needed to review Article 12 from the May 2017 Special Town Meeting.

Kids Club:

Resident and parent, Pam Maloney informed the town that a club has been set up with the assistance of her girls to pick up trash responsible. This club will meet monthly and will have an area in town which will be cleaned up. The highway department has offered their assistance. The first clean-up area will be on Berthelette Way and the Millville Elementary School. There are currently 15 kids signed up and all are welcome to attend.

Animal Control Warrant:

The Board is in receipt of the Animal Control Officer warrant.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board voted unanimously to approve and sign the Animal Control Warrant as presented.

Selectmen Forum:**Blue Wave:**

Elizabeth Glynn provided a presentation on behalf of Blue Wave. There is a solar power net metering opportunity the town can take part of from a project in Westport. The Town could benefit \$3,300 annually. The Town would be billed with credits for taking part in this program. The Town is also eligible for 20% off net metering rates. The agreement would need to be for 20 years. The representative would like to have a decision from the Board of Selectmen by August 15, 2017. Any contract which is established would be reviewed by Town Counsel.

Old Business:**Mass Works:**

Mass Works held a public forum on the Central Street project. There was great attendance. For any residents who were not able to attend, the video of the meeting is on cable access.

Special Town Meeting:

Town Meeting approved the increased amount for the school budget at the Special Town Meeting. The Town Administrator will begin to set up meetings in August, commencing with a Financial Summit to start working on developing a budget consensus figure before Town Meeting for the next fiscal year. A tentative date is set for August 14, 2017.

Member Wing has requested three times from the School Committee and Superintendent for a Five Year Financial Plan. To date the Board has not received one.

On a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Joe Rapoza, the Board voted unanimously to send a letter to the BMR district requesting a Five Year Financial Plan.

Ms. Dean Wing will continue to make this motion at the beginning of each month until the such plan is provided.

Enforcement Task Force:

- Monday August 7, 2017

Community Garden:

Member Wing informed all that the community garden is a great endeavor. She recently spent some time there weeding. She hopes other residents will take part and it gains momentum over the years.

Town Administrator Report:

Town Hall Update:

- The finish work is being completed.
- There will be a final walk through with the Building Commissioner.
- Some of the file cabinets have been moved.
- Tentative open house August, 2nd from 4:00-8:00 pm
- Will be planning a special event in the Fall for the BVT students.

Colonial Power:

The Town has decided to remain with National Grid, but will look at the rates in September 2017.

Cemetery Town:

The Town Administrator noted all the cemeteries in town are being maintained by a variety of entities. She is aware they are not owned by the town, but has been contacted by others regarding the current state of maintenance of several. The Selectmen agree they do not want to take on the maintenance of these. It was suggested that there be a meeting to invite those who may be maintaining these areas. There may be some assistance to these groups for funding for maintenance. Member Jennifer Dean Wing is hesitant about involving the Town because of the additional financial burden.

Demolition Grant:

The demolition grant was submitted and the Town is hoping to hear back from the State in August.

Fire Fighter Foundation:

Thanks to the help of Trish Benoit-Rudden, the Fire Department has a donation in the amount of \$4,800. This will be used for AED equipment which will be placed at the new town hall.

On a motion made by Andrew Alward and seconded by Joe Rapoza, the Board voted unanimously to accept the donation in the amount of \$4,800.00.

Millville Elementary School:

The Board was made aware that there appears to be a leak in the water tank at MES. The Chief is not yet not sure if it is the tank or pipe. It was suggested that the State Fire Marshalls office be contacted to see if they might have equipment to assist in figuring out why the water level is going down. The cost for potential repair at this time is not known. Chief Landry will follow-up and keep the Board informed.

At 8:57 pm, on a motion made by Jennifer Dean Wing, and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board of Selectmen voted by roll call vote to go into Executive Session under Section 21 paragraph 3 to discuss Collective Bargaining and will only exit to adjourn the regular session.

Roll Call Vote:

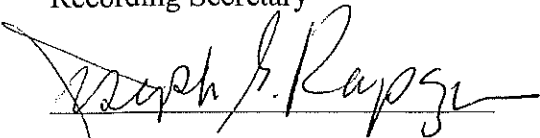
Jennifer Dean Wing Aye

Andrew Alward	Aye
Roland Barrett	Aye
Joe Rapoza	Aye

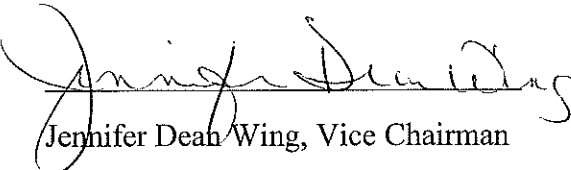
Upon return from Executive Session, on a motion from Jennifer Dean Wing and seconded by Roland Barrett, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Recording Secretary


Joseph Rapoza, Chairman


Roland Barrett, Member


Jennifer Dean Wing, Vice Chairman

Andrew Alward, Member

