

# **MILLVILLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Millville Senior Center, 40 Prospect Street**

**August 29, 2016**

**Board Members Present:** Chairman Joseph Rapoza; Vice Chairman Jennifer Dean Wing, Secretary John Laura and Selectman Roland Barrett

**Also Present:**

Town Administrator, Jennifer Callahan

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The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

**Announcements:**

- The State Primary Election day will be Thursday, September 8, 2016. The polls will be open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm. The voting will take place at St. Augustine.

**Appointments and Resignations:**

**Municipal Center Building Committee:**

- James Fish
- Les Davis
- Thomas Houle

*On a motion made by John Laura and seconded by Jennifer Wing Dean, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to appoint Les Davis, Thomas Houle and James Fish to the Municipal Center Building Committee.*

**Public Forum:**

There were no citizen comments.

**New Business:**

**STRAP Grant:**

Town Administrator provided a presentation on the STRAP grant through MASS works. The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of the application for approval.

The grant is for an improvement project on Central Street. The town due to its size and population qualifies the town for this type of grant. If the town does not apply for the grant this year, it is not available for another three years.

Central Street was chosen for a variety of reasons: (photos were referenced)

- Conditions of road are deplorable with the heavy truck traffic.

- Sidewalks which are falling apart and some do not exist.
- Some dirt paths are a safety risk when inclement weather and cause pedestrians to walk in street.
- Waffled pavement.
- Drainage issues

#### **Aspects of Project:**

- Reconstruct road with pavement marking, to slow and improve visibility for driving
- ADA compliance
- Drainage improvements
- Sidewalk construction Make a complete street design, since have bikeway – need signage to promote downtown.

#### **Millville Central Street Project Cost:**

- \$1,300,000

#### **Breakdown Costs:**

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| • Survey                 | \$ 20,000.00   |
| • Permitting             | \$ 5,000.00    |
| • Design and engineering | \$150,000.00   |
| • Construction           | \$1,125,000.00 |

#### **Project funding pieces:**

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| • Chapter 90 | \$300,000.00 |
| • Mass Works |              |

#### **Partners:**

- Blackstone Valley Heritage Corrido
- CMRCP
- TEC engineer
- Comber of commerce
- Public safety
- Highway experts
- Local officials
- Local business

The Town Administrator communicated that the Highway Surveyor was consulted and there was discussion about the fire suppression lines which are inadequate and will need to be addressed in the future. He is comfortable with the application being submitted with Chapter 90 as part of the funding. There was a concern about the parking on Central Street. Currently, parishioners are parking on parts of the sidewalks and road. The potential project will help with the delineation of the sidewalks and locations where people can park. This will be determined by the experts designing the plan. The consultants will look at what is feasible to enhance the public safety. There was discussion about the truck traffic which goes from Central Street to Rhode Island and

more specifically to Great Road. The truck traffic is coming from Rt. 146 A. The complete street project does not want to encourage heavy traffic going through street. It wants to welcome pedestrian friendly walkways which are safe for travel. The types of traffic could be addressed with signage. The Town Administrator suggested that someone from the State Department could come to discuss this concern. A recommendation was made to have green energy incorporated.

This deadline for submission of this application is September 2, 2016. The construction for this project will be vigorous with a one year completion date November 2017.

**Sign the Grant Application:**

*On a motion made by Roland Barrett and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to sign the grant application as presented.*

**Letters of Support:**

*On a motion made by Roland Barrett and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to sign the letters of support.*

**New Business:**

**Election Warrant:**

The Board of Selectmen were presented with seven copies for the election warrant.

*On the Roland Barrett and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to sign the election warrant for Thursday, September 8, 2016.*

**Payroll and Vendor Warrant:**

The Board of Selectmen signed the payroll and vendor warrant.

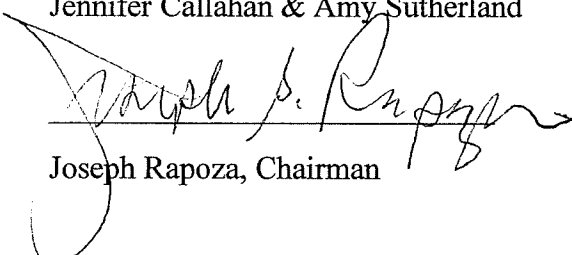
**Future Meeting:**

- Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Millville Senior Center.

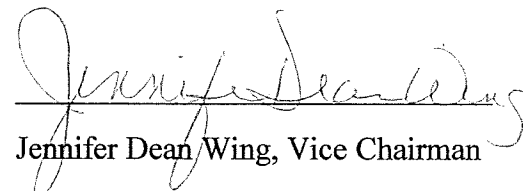
**Adjourn:**

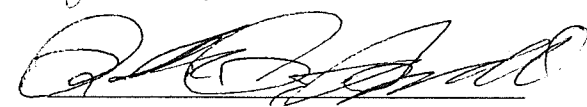
*On a motion made by Roland Barrett and seconded by John Laura, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Callahan & Amy Sutherland

  
Joseph Rapoza, Chairman

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John M. Laura, Secretary

  
Jennifer Dean Wing, Vice Chairman

  
Roland P. Barrett, Selectman