

**TOWN OF MILLVILLE**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**JUNE 1, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.**

**Board Members Present:** Chairman Roland Barrett; Vice Chairman Joseph Rapoza; Secretary Jennifer Dean Wing; Member Robert Baker

**Board Members Absent:** Member John Laura

**Others Present:** Executive Secretary Helen Coffin

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Chairman Barrett opens the meeting at 7:07 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Barrett wishes to express his apologies for his handling of the last two meetings. In the last meeting he made a comment to Wing regarding being a teacher and this was insulting to teachers. He clarifies that he was only making a point regarding working in the private business sector and there was nothing personal meant by it. He advises that going forward he will requests any individuals who wish to speak form a line behind the Executive Secretary, similar to what was requested at Town Meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**May 18, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**

*On a motion by Baker and second by Rapoza, the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Minutes of May 18, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.*

**May 18, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**

*Wing requests these be tabled as she has changes to request and will send to Executive Secretary via email.*

**May 19, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**

*These will need to be held since Laura is not present to vote/sign.*

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

*On a motion by Wing and second by Baker, the Board votes unanimously to approve and sign the Warrants as prepared and read.*

**TOWN BOARDS/OFFICIALS** None Scheduled.

## **FIRST PUBLIC FORUM**

Les Davis, Quaker Street. Mr. Davis reads out loud a letter he prepared expressing his personal feelings and dismay at the Board's conduct at the last meetings. He feels there was a lack of professionalism and respect and he was embarrassed for the Town. He suggests the Board consider reorganizing.

Mr. Barrett replies that he never said a teacher wasn't professional. He doesn't think the Board needs to reorganize and we would like to move forward.

Jennifer Lewis, Central Street. Ms. Lewis interviewed for the position of Assistant Animal Control Officer and wanted to express her interest to the Board. She has a background in animal/human relations. She met with the Animal Control Officer.

**CORRESPONDENCE** None.

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT** None.

## **APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**

Animal Control Officer Gary Fagan recommended the appointment of Lenard Ranslow as Assistant Animal Control Officer. Mr. Ranslow was the former Assistant ACO. Wing prefers to table this matter due to some confusion regarding another individual getting sworn in by the Town Clerk. Executive Secretary advises there was a miscommunication in the Town Clerk's Office. Chief Landry prefers this not be held up as his department continues to handle these calls. Wing would like to see the other applications. Executive Secretary suggests appointing Mr. Ranslow through the end of this month and meeting with Animal Control Officer to discuss. A meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Baker suggests the Board address the kennel concerns as well.

***On a motion by Wing and second by Rapoza, the Board votes unanimously to appoint Lenard Ranslow as the Assistant Animal Control Officer through June 30, 2015.***

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Brown Bear Circle. The Planning Board obtained an estimate from an engineering firm for the evaluation of the drainage issue previously addressed in a joint meeting between the Boards. Wing met with the Highway Surveyor and he agreed to cover the remaining cost (after \$1,200 from Planning Board bond) providing the work is done under the current budget. Executive Secretary advises vote is needed to authorize Chairman to sign quote.

***On a motion by Rapoza and second by Baker, the Board votes unanimously to authorize the Chairman to sign the quote from Graves Engineering for Brown Bear Circle.***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Town Counsel Selection. The last two firms were interviewed last week. Barrett was absent. Attorney Gary Brackett send a letter advising he has decided not to retire and asked to be considered a candidate. Rapoza has reservations and questions 24 hour coverage. He was comfortable with two of the three firms interviewed. Wing is confident is one of the firms. She has concerns regarding the notification procedure and office structure of Brackett & Lucas.

***On a motion by Rapoza and second by Wing, the Board votes unanimously not to entertain the offer of Brackett & Lucas.***

Barrett's choices are: (1) Petrini and (2) Kopelman & Paige

Rapoza's choices are: (1) Petrini and (2) Deutsch Williams

Wing's choices are: (1) Petrini and (2) Deutsch Williams

Wing feels the attorneys at Petrini & Associates were calm, down-to-earth, hands-on, knowledgeable, and personable and the Town Planner praised Barbara St. Andre's reputation.

***On a motion by Rapoza and second by Wing, the Board votes unanimously to appoint Petrini & Associates as new Town Counsel in accordance with the RFP effective July 1<sup>st</sup>.***

### **MEMBERS FORUM**

Chairman Barrett. Mr. Barrett clarifies that at the last meeting Mr. Baker was told he could not vote on a motion from which he had previously abstained from on May 4<sup>th</sup>; this was not true. He was willing to vote and Town Counsel has clarified that he could have voted on the motion, and that he would only need to abstain if his reason had been ethical in nature, such as due to personal gain.

**FINAL PUBLIC FORUM** None.

**NEXT MEETING** Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

**SIGNATURES** The Board signs the documents voted on earlier this evening.

### **ADJOURN**

***On a motion by Rapoza and second by Baker, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen M. Coffin

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Roland Barrett, Chairman

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Joseph Rapoza, Vice Chairman

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Jennifer Dean Wing, Secretary

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Robert Baker