TOWN OF MILLVILLE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING

JUNE 3, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.

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

Board Members Absent: Member John Laura and Member Robert Baker

The purpose of the meeting is to interview one candidate for Building Commissioner.

Chairman Barrett opens the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Lawrence Lench applied for the position of Building Commissioner and was called in for an interview.

Chairman Barrett thanks Mr. Lench for his interest in serving Millville. He acknowledges that his resume looks good and that Mr. Lench is a Certified Building Commissioner. Barrett questions Mr. Lench on how he would handle complaints; in other words, policy is that complaints must be in writing but would be accept an email or will he require a form. Lench replies that an email would be acceptable.

Barrett questions Mr. Lench's experience in dealing with contractors who infringe on neighboring properties and/or wetlands. Mr. Lench advises he would generally consult with Town Counsel but that the Conservation Commissions has more teeth than the Building Commissioner in these instances.

Wing questions what Mr. Lench does in the Town of Needham. Mr. Lench indicates is a Local Inspector and all of the inspectors split the workload. They have support staff to handle the paperwork.

Wing advises the public office hours would be Wednesdays, 6-8pm, and asks if Mr. Lench would be available on a consistent basis to meet with the public at these times. Mr. Lench indicates this would not be a problem and he would make himself available other evenings for special meetings as required.

Rapoza verifies that Mr. Lench's certifications are current. He questions the last class he attended. Mr. Lench replies he attended a class on swimming pools.

Barrett questions if Mr. Lench would require the Assistant Inspector to fill-in for him if he couldn't make the office hours. Mr. Lench questions if Mr. Barber does construction work in Town. He would insist that Mr. Barber sign something indicating that he doesn't do work in Town as he believes this would be a conflict of interest.

Wing questions Mr. Lench if he will be able to work with homeowners and contractors in this small town in order to make it easy for them but still follow the guidelines of the law? Mr. Lench explains that he had no problems dealing with people and enforcing the code; however, he also fully believes that educating people as to why things to be done a certain is important.

The Board doesn't have any further questions.

On a motion by Wing and second by Rapoza, the Board votes unanimously to appoint Larry Lench as Building Commissioner effective immediately through June 30, 2015.

Discussion follows among the parties regarding the rate of pay. Mr. Lench seeks \$40 per hour for administrative hours and \$30 per inspection. Wing has concerns about the line item being short at the end of the fiscal year so it will need to be closely monitored.

On a motion by Rapoza and second by Wing, the Board votes unanimously to authorize \$40 per hour for administrative work and \$30 per inspection.

On a motion by Rapoza and second by Wing, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Helen M. Coffin	
Roland Barrett, Chairman	Joseph Rapoza, Vice Chairman
Jennifer Dean Wing, Secretary	