

**TOWN OF MILLVILLE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

MINUTES OF MEETING

February 17, 2015 - 6:30 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Members Present: Chairman Roland Barrett, Vice Chairman Joseph Rapoza, Selectmen John Laura and Jennifer Dean Wing

Board of Selectmen Members Absent: Selectman Robert Baker

Others Present: Executive Secretary Helen Coffin; Structural Engineer Charles Sacre; Local Building Inspector Lincoln Barber; Municipal Building Committee Chairman Richard Crivello; Ronald Landry, Chief of Police and Fire

Chairman Barrett calls the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. at the Longfellow Municipal Center.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss financial priorities of the Town. Of specific concern this particular evening is the status of the roof of the Town Hall. There have been ongoing concerns regarding the obvious stress issues on the second floor and added concerns regarding possible progression of the failure of the roof truss as reported in the Existing Conditions Study.

Structural Engineer Charles Sacre was sent out by the Town's insurance company, MIIA, to provide a second opinion. He spent time in the attic this evening and his observation is that there is deflection of the ceiling as a result of the failed central truss which carries the ceiling. If this fails it will bring down the ceiling and areas of the roof and walls. There is evidence of recent timber deterioration. He goes on to provide further lengthy technical descriptions of the condition of the roof truss system. Mr. Sacre indicates that the probability of failure is not imminent but there is always uncertainty; however, there is limited probability of failure.

His recommendations are as follows: (1) shore four points of the ceiling and carry it down to the ground level; and (2) eliminate the snow loads from the roof. Mr. Sacre also addresses a question of Lincoln Barber regarding the cracks in the walls. Mr. Sacre will report his findings to Tom Donaldson of MIIA and he will speak with Isaac Blair in Boston regarding shoring towers. He will contact the Executive Secretary on how/when the Town should proceed.

Executive Secretary advises that the Town has not received confirmation that this situation will be covered as an insurance claim as it was a pre-existing condition. She will inform the Finance Committee of the possible need of a Reserve Fund Transfer. Mr. Sacre leaves at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Barrett calls for a short recess before opening the regular Board of Selectmen Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen M. Coffin, Executive Secretary

Roland P. Barrett, Chairman

Joseph G. Rapoza, Vice Chairman

Jennifer Dean Wing, Selectman

John M. Laura, Selectman