



TOWN OF MENDON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MEETING MINUTESOCTOBER 20, 2004
APPROVED: NOVEMBER 3, 2004

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Chairman Dennis Shaheen, attended by Selectmen Ken O'Brien & Sharon Cutler.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Board recites the Pledge.

2. Warrants

The Board signed the warrants.

3. Minutes

Motion by Ken O'Brien to amend the August 25, 2004 meeting minutes item 13 & approve with the changes, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

Motion by Ken O'Brien to approve the September 13, 2004 meeting minutes, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

Motion by Ken O'Brien to approve the September 27, 2004 executive session with changes, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

Selectmen Cutler requested putting the meeting minutes of October 6, 2004 on hold.

4. Kennel License – Cape Road

Damon & Lisa Bernier discussed their request for a Kennel License.

Abutter Richard Bethel discussed the hours of operation and estimated number of dogs.

Motion by Ken O'Brien to approve the Kennel License for 30 Cape Road not to exceed 30 dogs boarded, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

5. Open Forum

Logger Jim McCarthy, Kathy Daniels, Alan Tetreault, Peter Coffin & Mike Ammendolia discussed with the Board logging the Kelly property. The Board discussed putting an article on the 11/4/04 STM warrant.

Motion by Ken O'Brien to ask the Land Use Committee to consider appropriating some money for a management plan for the Kelly Property out of which a cutting plan will be developed. Sharon Cutler 2nd. Chairman Shaheen abstained. Motion passed 2-0

Suggestion was made to put an article on the Nov. 10, 2004 STM for funds to do the management plan.

6. Approve STM Warrant

Motion by Ken O'Brien to approve 9 articles for the STM Warrant for November 4, 2004, including the addition of the article discussed previously, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

7. Administrative Issues

- Upgrade Study Committee
The Board discussed the Upgrade Study Committee. Ken O'Brien & Sharon Cutler will represent the Board.
- **Motion by Ken O'Brien to appoint Michael Pichel as part time dispatche effective immediately at a rate of pay of \$11.948 per hour, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.**
- **Motion by Ken O'Brien to approve having the Parks Department buildings & field winterized, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.**
- Set Meeting Dates
The Board set meeting dates of 11/3/04, 11/17/04, 12/1/04, 12/15/ 04, 12/29/04.

The Board discussed increasing the mileage reimbursement rate paid to most Town employees from \$.315 to the current IRS rate of \$.375. Board would like more information on the cost of this increase before a decision is made.

Motion by Ken O'Brien to go into Executive Session to return only to adjourn under MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B for contract negotiations, Sharon Cutler 2nd, all in favor.

Roll Call, Shaheen – Yes, O'Brien – Yes, Cutler - Yes.

Meeting adjourned @8:30 pm.

Return from Executive Session, meeting adjourned @ 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Terry Palmer
Administrative Secretary
Board of Selectmen