



# TOWN OF MENDON

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MEETING MINUTES .....MAY 18, 2005

APPROVED: JUNE 1, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Chairman Kenneth O'Brien, attended by Selectmen Sharon Cutler & Lawney Tinio.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Board recites the Pledge.

2. Warrants

Board signed the warrants.

3. Minutes

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to approve the May 4, 2005 meeting minutes as written, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to approve the May 4, 2005 Executive Session as written, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

4. Recognition

Chairman O'Brien asked former Chairman Shaheen to come forward and receive a plaque presented to him by the Board for his service to the Town for the last 6 years as a Selectmen. Mr. Shaheen thanked the Board.

5. Open Forum

Linda Labastie wished Mr. Shaheen well but criticized his words to former employees.

6. Financial Management Review

Ms. Tetreault informed the Board that DOR has a service that they offer to the cities & towns at no cost called a Financial Management Review. They send a team into a town to review and make recommendations on the financial management processes of the Town. They speak to officials & employees of the Collector/Treas., Assessor's, Town Accountant's office, also the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen. Once the review is done, a report is given to the Selectmen. The review takes about 2 months. DOR is scheduling for the fall now. A request from the Board of Selectmen starts the process. **Motion by Sharon Cutler to ask DOR to do a financial Management Review of Mendon, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

Administrative Issues

- Lions Club

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to allow the Mendon Lions Club to hold the summer carnival & fireworks on June 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

➤ Mendon Festival Committee

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to allow the Mendon Festival Committee to place 10 flags on telephone poles on Maple St, Rte 16 and Main St, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

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➤ Insurance Advisory Committee

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to appoint Pam Ratcliff to the Insurance Advisory Committee until June 30, 2005, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

➤ Petition

Chairman O'Brien read the petition; after the Town Clerk certified the signatures the petition was sent to Town Counsel. Chairman O'Brien read Counsel comments on the petition. The Board acknowledged and is taking no action on it.

Linda Labastie questioned why the Board isn't setting a STM date. The Board explained that the petition is not in a question format and does not meet the requirements of Town Meeting. Chairman O'Brien stated there is no question asked, therefore there is nothing to be voted on.

7. Tony's Café

**Motion by Sharon Cutler to allow Tony's Café to be open on Friday & Saturday late night from 11:00 pm till 3:00 am to be reviewed in December, Lawney Tinio 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

8. Con/Com

**Motion by Lawney Tinio to transfer \$6640.00 from the Wetland Protection Account to pay invoices from Carr Research Laboratory, Inc, this amount represents engineering services to review engineering plans, attending hearings, prepare and write reports regarding the Bridlewood subdivision, the invoices are being billed to Mujeeb Ahmed, developer for Bridlewood, Sharon Cutler 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.**

Selectmen Tinio mentioned Mr. Thomas Bauer submitting a letter of interest for Fin/com. Ms. Tetreault told the Board that she gave the request to Fin/com and await their recommendation.

The Board acknowledges Margaret Bonderencko's certification as Town Clerk.

Motion by Lawney Tinio to go into Executive Session to return only to adjourn under MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B with respect to collective bargaining, Sharon Cutler 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

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

Meeting adjourned @ 7:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Terry Palmer  
Administrative Secretary  
Board of Selectmen