

MEETING MINUTESAPRIL 21, 2009

APPROVED: APRIL 30, 2009

Attended by: Chairman Breen & Tinio
Town Coordinator Dale Pleau

Meeting open @ 7:38 pm

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1. COA appointments

Motion by Selectmen Tinio to appoint James Negei of 151 Providence Street to the Counsel on Aging for a term to expire on June 30, 2010, Chairman Breen steps down to 2nd, all in favor.

Motion by Selectmen Tinio to appoint Earl Pearlman of 13 Teresa Drive to the Counsel on Aging for a term to expire on June 30, 2011, Chairman Breen steps down to 2nd, all in favor.

Motion to appoint Carol Kotros of 171 Uxbridge Road to the Counsel on Aging for a term to expire on June 30, 2011, Chairman Breen steps down to 2nd, all in favor.

2. Temporary Trailer Permit

Motion by Selectmen Tinio to extend the Temporary Trailer Permit, Temporary Living Quarters for Duncan Stewart @ 31 Hartford Ave East for a period of June 30, 2010, Chairman Breen steps down to 2nd, all in favor.

Ms. Palmer will send a letter to Mr. Stewart when she returns from vacation.

3. Correspondence

- Selectmen Tinio reads the letter from the Inspector General requesting all information on Cobblers Knoll.

The Board takes a 10 minute recess to wait for the moderator to arrive.

4. Annual Town Meeting discussion

Present are:

Moderator, Kevin Rudden

Town Clerk, Margaret Bonderenko

Finance Committee members, Art Homes, Ken O'Brien

Jay Byer

The Board discussed with the persons mentioned the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

The mechanics of article 4 will be decided at the meeting on April 22, 2009.

Articles 5 – 13 will be voted as a Consent Calendar vote.

Articles 14 & 15 will be passed over if there is no word of the grant the day of the ATM.

Article 16 will allow the Board to appoint one of their own members to the Conservation Commission.

Article 17 will be passed over.
Article 18 will be presented by Shirley Smith.
Article 19 will be passed over.
Article 20 will be presented by Wayne Wagner.
Article 21 will be presented by Shirley Smith.
Article 22 will be presented by Shirley Smith.
The motions for the long articles will say, "As written in the warrant".
Article 23 will be presented by Shirley Smith.
Article 24 will be presented by the Board of Selectmen.
Article 25 will be presented by the Board of Selectmen.

Special Town Meeting discussion

Article 1- 5 will be presented by Fin Com.

5. Tri State Trek

Chairman Breen reads the letter dated 4/17/09 and asked Chief Horn if he is aware of the event and will update the Board.

6. Regional Dispatch with Millville

Chairman Breen reads letter from the Town of Millville, to do a feasibility study. Chief Horn advises the Board that Millville has chosen to go with Mendon. All of the technology issues are solved and we are moving forward slowly. There will be two phases:

- First phase will be with Hopedale around July 1st
- At some time after with Millville, they have given a date of October 1st
- Draft contractual language is out to the lawyers
- Rough numbers of what is needed for upfront costs and will be discussed with the Fin Com tomorrow at their meeting
- Expected to save the Town of Mendon \$100,000.00 per year, understanding the first year there are upfront costs that might reduce that savings but in the end he does expect the savings to stay firm at \$100,000.00 or more in savings.
- The dispatch has agreed to allow the personnel to come in at their current rank, years of seniority.
- Millville received a grant of \$50,000.00 to do the study and will include Mendon, Hopedale & Millville and they have permission from the state to do that.

Richard Skinner asked why Chief Horn is not paid as a Director of Public Safety. Chief Horn addressed Fin Com would like to see \$20,000.00 in the Fire Dept line item, and if the town were to increase it to his salary it would increase his Quinn bill, and the Town is still obligated to have the \$20,000.00 in the Fire Dept line item.

Motion by Selectmen Tinio to go into Executive Session under MGL Chapter 39, s23B with respect to collective bargaining & litigation to return to adjourn, Chairman Breen steps down to 2nd, all in favor.

Roll Call Vote – Breen, Yes – Tinio, Yes.

Meeting adjourned @ 9:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Terry Palmer
Administrative Secretary
Board of Selectmen