

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION –SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

ROOM 03-TOWN HALL

7:00PM

PRESENT: Chairman Brian W. Murray; Selectmen Dino B. DeBartolomeis and William D. Buckley; Town Administrator Louis J. Celozzi; and Minutes Recorder Jean DeTore.

1. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To sign the warrant and approve the Regular Session Minutes of August 20, 2012 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.
Mr. Buckley wished to discuss the Executive Session Minutes of September 10, 2012 in Executive Session.

2. Citizen Participation – None.

3. Susan Clark, Community Development Director, stated that the Town recently submitted a grant application to the Department of Housing & Community Development in the amount of \$800,000 for infrastructure improvements to the Church Street Neighborhood and to continue the Housing Rehabilitation Program. She noted that the Town was awarded \$500,000 with \$375,000 for infrastructure, elimination of the Housing Rehabilitation Program, and \$125,000 allocated for program delivery and administration. The original estimate for the infrastructure project was \$625,000 (\$500,000 from CDBG and \$125,000 from the town's Highway budget). She further explained that after meeting with Town Engineer Santora, Highway Surveyor Crisafulli, and the Project Engineer, it was decided that the project should go out to bid with a base bid and four add alternates. The work to be done as add alternates was based on work that the Highway Surveyor indicated he could complete for a better price using his crew and hiring contractors from his contractors list.

The project was advertised in the Central Register, El Mundo, and the Milford Daily News on August 15, 2012. Bid packages were requested by sixteen (16) General Contractors and seven (7) General Contractors returned proposals.

Bids were opened on September 5, 2012, at Milford Town Hall. Proposals for the base bid ranged from \$371,912 to \$480,000, with the low bid being submitted by I.W. Harding Construction Co., 354 Pleasant Street, West Bridgewater, MA 02379. After reviewing the proposals with the Town Engineer, and GCG Associates, Ms. Clark recommended awarding the contract, pending Environmental Clearance from DHCD, to the low bidder I.W. Harding Construction Company at a base bid of \$371,912.

Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To award the contract for \$371,912 to the low bidder, I.W. Harding Constructions Company, UNANIMOUS.

4. Mr. DeBartolomeis, Chairman of the Milford Pond Restoration Committee acknowledged members: Frederick Andreotti, Reno DeLuzio, Donna Horrigan, William Kingkade, Jr., James Marcello, Paul Tanguoso and Vincenzo Valastro. He thanked Town Meeting members, the Finance Committee, Rep. Fernandes, Congressman Neal, Senator Moore, and former Rep. Marie J. Parente for their efforts on behalf of the project. He then recognized Tom Jenkins, Engineer from GZA who provided a presentation, past, present and future of the restoration of Milford Pond. The primary goals of the Milford Pond Restoration Project are:

1. To restore areas of open water aquatic habitat with a depth sufficient to discourage dense aquatic weed growth
2. To enhance total aquatic habitat for fin fish species;
3. To improve water quality, including nutrient and dissolved oxygen levels and water clarity;
4. To preserve habitat values for waterfowl, including State-listed species; and
5. To restore a balance between open water aquatic habitat, the dense aquatic weed beds, and emergent wetlands.

Additional benefits include aesthetic and recreational improvements including fishing, boating, and birding.

Mr. Jenkins reviewed the history of the efforts to restore the pond beginning with the 1970 Carr Research Labs report to dredge the pond. The present committee was formed in the early 1990's after a citizens group approached the Board of Selectmen concerned with conditions at the pond. In 1998, Baystate Environmental Consultants (now GZA) began efforts on behalf of the town. In 2011, at the urging of Congressman Richard Neal, discussions began with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, acting under Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996. The current proposal is \$5,050,000 to dredge 19.2 acres with a Federal contribution of \$3,280,000 and a Non-Federal(State/Local) contribution of \$1,766,000. The first cash installment of the Non-Federal contribution is \$301,000. The remaining \$1.5M would also be sought at this time but only expended if the Federal money was forthcoming.

After much discussion, the Board expressed their support for the project and agreed to seek funds at the upcoming Special Town Meeting.

5. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Monthly Financial Update All budgets under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen are on target.
- STM/Articles – I'd like to remind everyone that the warrant for the October 22, 2012 Special Town Meeting closes on Thursday, September 13, 2012 at Noon. If anyone has an article they should get it to our office as soon as possible.

- ICE Meeting - On Wednesday, September 5, 2012 Special Agent Bill Sansone and Eric Lesonsky, Auditor met with myself, Barbara Auger, Town Treasurer, Kathy Perry, Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. Carol Liberto to begin the process of the E-Verify system and the Town of Milford's self-audit. We must begin the E-Verify system by October 20, 2012, two months after signing the agreement. The next meeting will be ICE officials with the Town Treasurer on October 1, 2012 and the School Department on October 3, 2012. Everyone in town hired after November 7, 1986 must have an I-9 form. The self audit will review approximately 1,500 names.
- Town Hall Projects/Update – The painting project is moving ahead steadily. We are probably 60% into the project. As for the stair repairs, we have hit a snag, as the quarry seems to be quite busy. They have said that it will be mid-week for the granite steps to be delivered.

6. Mr. DeBartolomeis requested that Town Administrator Celozzi obtain a list of the accidents at the South Main Street and Fruit Street Intersection during the past ten (10) years from Police Chief O'Loughlin and also requested that Town Engineer Santora review the site and provide his recommendations on any improvements with lights or signs at this location.

7. Mr. Buckley inquired if any response was received from National Grid relative to the Boards' request for an inventory of "Double Poles" detailing location and responsibility. Mr. Celozzi noted that he repeatedly requests this information. The Board again requested that National Grid be advised of their request to receive monthly reports detailing the status of each double pole location as well as a commitment to removing as many as possible as soon as possible.

8. Town Administrator Celozzi provided the Board with a list of Articles submitted to date for the October 22, 2012 Special Town Meeting. Chairman Murray stated that since more articles will be submitted, the Board will discuss them at an upcoming meeting. He also requested that an article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen be submitted for the replacement of the fencing at the Senior Center adjacent to the bike trail. Also, after reviewing correspondence from Reno DeLuzio, Chairman of the Upper Charles Committee for the funding of general maintenance of the Bike Trail, Mr. Murray noted that if the Parks Department or the Finance Committee does not submit an article in the amount of \$20,000 for the General Maintenance of the Bike Trail, the Selectmen would sponsor one for this amount.

9. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To appoint the following: UNANIMOUS.

LIMITED DUTY CONSTABLES(For Traffic Control only)

Michelle Abbatinozi	6/30/13
Suzanne Banderest	6/30/13
Dawn Carbary	6/30/13
Karin Campbell	6/30/13

Margaret Farrell	6/30/13
Anthony Donald Iacovelli	6/30/13
Susan Kozlowski	6/30/13
Joan Lawton	6/30/13
Gloria Linnell	6/30/13
Lawrence Lowther	6/30/13
Sharon Maclean	6/30/13
Francis O'Neill	6/30/13
Ann Roccanti	6/30/13
Joseph Sherillo	6/30/13
SUBSTITUTE TRAFFIC SUPERVISORS	
Richard Brogioli	6/30/13
Melissa Juliano	6/30/13
Nadene Ladeau	6/30/13
Donna Mason	6/30/13
Raymond Pagucci	6/30/13
Marianne Wood	6/30/13

10. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve a One-Day Wine and Malt Beverage License for the Milford Youth Center/Jake Gallerani Foundation, 24 Pearl Street, Saturday, September 22, 2012 5:00PM – 1:00AM, and to waive the \$100.00 fee, UNANIMOUS. Mr. Buckley also requested that in the future, in addition to the applicant's signature, the Youth Center Director also is required to sign the one-day wine and malt application.

11. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve a One-Day All Alcoholic Beverage License for Café Sorrento, 143 Central Street, Sunday, September 23, 2012 1:00PM – 6:00PM, UNANIMOUS.

12. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the Traffic Aids request to designate a handicapped parking space at 5E Mark Drive, UNANIMOUS.

13. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the Traffic Aids request for the installation of a "DO NOT BLOCK SIDEWALK" at the sidewalk that leads to #6A Sidney Road, as recommended by Town Engineer Santora, UNANIMOUS.

14. Town Administrator Celozzi reported that he recently went out to bid for electricity through Usource, LLC. Milford entered into a two-year contract with Reliant Energy Northeast, LLC which will result in a savings of \$230,882 in year one and a two year savings of \$450,552. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the recommendation of Town Administrator Celozzi to sign a two-year contract for the supply of electricity, UNANIMOUS.

15. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the Traffic Aids request for the installation of Milford Softball State Championship Signs, UNANIMOUS.

16. After reviewing correspondence from Victor R. Valenti, Chairman of the Milford Board of Library Trustees regarding the Trustee vacancy, the Board requested that Mr. Valenti and the Board of Library Trustees be invited to the September 24, 2012 meeting to fill the vacancy. After consulting with Town Counsel Moody, Mr. Buckley requested that the minutes reflect: Town Counsel Moody re-stated that the Trustees have Thirty (30) days to give the Selectmen notice of the vacancy. If no notice is given after Thirty (30) days, the Selectmen can appoint. However, notice was given by the Trustees and any appointment must now be a joint decision of the two Boards.

17. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept, with regret, the resignation of Michael T. Stewart from the Capital Improvement Committee, UNANIMOUS.

18. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To proclaim October 24, 2012 as United Nations Day, UNANIMOUS.

19. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To appoint William Kingkade to the Finance Committee, UNANIMOUS.

20. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

1. William Kingkade, re: Application For Appointment
2. Rep. Fernandes, re: "An Act to Reduce Phosphorus Run Off"
3. COMCAST, RE: Discount of Eligible Senior Citizens; Side Letter Agreements
4. Central MA Mosquito Control Project, re: Update
5. ABCC, re: Advisory-Caterer's License
6. Town Engineer, re: Stormwater Update
7. Schedule of Meetings
8. Claudia & Ezra Tamsky – Streetlight Request on Genoa Avenue

21. Mr. DeBartolomeis moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To adjourn the Selectmen's meeting at 8:58 PM, UNANIMOUS. ROLL CALL VOTE: Chairman Murray, Selectmen DeBartolomeis and Buckley vote in the affirmative to go into Executive Session to discuss a Land Proposal and Police Association Collective Bargaining issues, UNANIMOUS.

Respectfully submitted:

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean DeTore
Minutes Recorder

Atty. Brian W. Murray, Chairman

Dino B. DeBartolomeis

William D. Buckley