

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION –MARCH 27, 2017

ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL

7:00PM

PRESENT: Chairman William D. Buckley; Selectmen Brian W. Murray, Esq.; William E. Kingkade Jr.; Town Administrator Richard A. Villani; and Minutes Recorder Jean M. DeTore.

1. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.
2. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the Minutes of March 13, 2017 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.
3. INVITATION TO SPEAK – Chairman Buckley recognized Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sanborn who voiced their support for the Town Engineer's petition to Mass Highway for stripping, signage and an overhead blinking light to assure safe pedestrian crossing on the Milford Upper Charles Trail from Walden Woods to the Bike Trail - Route 85.

At 7:07PM Mr. Murray recused himself and left the room.

4. Attorney Suzette A. Ferreira representing Traf Corporation d/b/a Banners, was present seeking a Transfer of the Common Victualler All-Alcohol License, Common Victuallar and Entertainment licenses from Scioli Corporation, 146 South Main Street.

Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Chairman Buckley: To approve the request for a transfer of the Common Victualler All-Alcohol and Common Victualler licenses, UNANIMOUS.

Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Chairman Buckley: To approve the request for a transfer of the Entertainment license, UNANIMOUS.

At 7:13PM Mr. Murray joined the meeting.

5. Scott Crisafulli, Chairman of the Transportation Advisory Committee, and Brian Long, Vice Chairman provided Monthly totals for ridership from August 2016 to March 17, 2017 as well as an update of the fixed Bus Route. Mr. Crisafulli stated that several revisions were made to the bus schedule noting that the Milford Town Library has been added as a stop. Mr. Murray stated that in his opinion, he was pleased with the increase in the monthly ridership and is anxious to see the attendance for the Spring and Summer months. He further noted that the bus transportation was an integral part of the working program at Crossroads. Mr. Kingkade expressed his appreciation for the information provided. Chairman Buckley requested that the information be presented to the Finance Committee as well.

6. Highway Surveyor Scott Crisafull provided a cost proposal for design for a crosswalk at the north corner of Franklin Street to the sidewalk at Draper Park. After a brief discussion relative to funding the project, Chairman Buckley suggested that Mr. Crisafulli seek input from Finance Director Taylor for the possibility of using a portion of the \$100,000 reserve fund for the immediate completion of the project.

7. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Senior Center Grant – I am pleased to report the Senior Center received a CHNA 6 Grant in the amount of \$3,172.00 for equipment for the Wellness Center. These funds will be used to purchase a new treadmill for the Center.
2. MassDOT Safety Audit – MassDOT is doing a Road Safety Audit on Routes 16 and 109 at three locations – East Main Street at Beaver Street, East Main Street at two driveways leading to Quarry Square Plaza and East Main Street at Medway Road. A meeting along with a site walk was held on March 21st which included officials and traffic engineers from MassDOT as well as the Fire Chief, Police Lieutenant, Town Engineer, Highway Surveyor and myself. All met after the site walk and provided thoughts and ideas on how to make these areas safer. MassDOT will issue a report with recommendations.
3. Police Department Grant – I am pleased to report the Police Department and Juvenile Advocacy Group received a CHNA 6 Grant in the amount of \$52,000.00 to be used for the Regional Substance Navigation Program.

8. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the May 22, 2017 Annual Town Meeting warrant as submitted, UNANIMOUS.

9. At the request of Chairman Buckley, the members submitted separate performance evaluations for the Town Administrator. After review, Chairman Buckley combined their input outlining the evaluation process and provided an evaluation of the Town Administrator from 7/1/16 to 2/28/17. He stated that in all the categories reviewed as well as his job knowledge and skills, work practices, policies and procedures, communication skills and willingness to take on responsibility, positive comments ranged from meeting expectations to outstanding. Mr. Murray stated that the Town Administrator is doing an excellent job and Milford is lucky to have him as the Town Administrator. Mr. Kingkade stated that he has received positive feedback that Mr. Villani treats everyone walking into town hall with respect and has excellent customer service skills. Chairman Buckley thanked the board for their input and expressed that Mr. Villani is providing excellent customer service and has exhibited strong ethics and judgement.

10. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the request from the Greenleaf Garden Club to hold their annual plant sale at Kiwanis Park on May 20, 2017 from 8:00AM-12Noon, UNANIMOUS.

11. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the request from the Milford Lions Club for a toll road on May 13, 2017 with a rain date of May 20, 2017 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM, UNANIMOUS.

12. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To nominate Rochelle Thompson as Inspector of Animals, with the term to expire April 30, 2018, UNANIMOUS.

13. Reno DeLuzio, Chairman of the Milford Upper Charles Trail Committee was present. He stated that the Town Engineer is petitioning the MassHighway to approve stripping, signage and an overhead blinking light on Route 85 to assure safe pedestrian crossing regarding the Walden Woods to Bike Trail – Route 85 Crossing. Mr. Murray moved seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To confirm the designated applicant as “Town of Milford, Board of Selectmen” as part of the application process required by MassHighway, UNANIMOUS.

14. The board reviewed correspondence from Christopher Pilla, Treasurer regarding a refinancing offer provided by the town’s Financial Advisor for the Geriatric Authority Loan. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: In order to reduce interest costs, the Treasurer is authorized to provide for the sale and issuance of refunding bonds under G.L. c.44, Sec. 21A to refund all or any portion of the remaining principal of and redemption premium and interest on any of the Town’s \$15,297,000 General Obligation Bonds dated December 15, 2006, outstanding as of the date of this vote, provided that no such refunding bonds shall be issued pursuant to this vote unless and until the final interest rates and other terms of such refunding bonds have been approved by this Board, UNANIMOUS.

15. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To remand the proposed zoning bylaw amendments relating to the following:

1. Amend Section 2.3 of the Zoning Bylaw relating to residential animals in the RA zone.
2. Amend Section 2.3 of the Zoning Bylaw relating to solar energy systems on town property and/or buildings to the Planning Board for public hearing, UNANIMOUS.

16. Mr. Murray moved seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To accept the gift from Laurelwood Condominium in the amount of \$250.00 to be deposited in the Milford Senior Center Gift Account, UNANIMOUS.

17. Mr. Kingkade requested that Town Administrator Villani obtain more information on various complaints he received on the property at 32 West Street.

18. **INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - None**

19. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To adjourn the Selectmen’s meeting at 8:00PM, UNANIMOUS. ROLL CALL VOTE: Chairman William Buckley; Selectmen Brian W. Murray,

Esq.; William E. Kingkade Jr. all vote in the affirmative to go into Executive Session to discuss, Milford Water Company, Contract negotiations for the Town Treasurer and Police Collective Bargaining.

Respectfully submitted:

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean M. DeTore
Minutes Recorder

William D. Buckley, Chairman

Brian W. Murray, Esq.

William E. Kingkade, Jr.