

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION –SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL

7:00pm

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

1. Chairman DeBartolomeis observed a moment of silence in memory of the late David Morganelli, Esq., who was a devoted husband, family man and valuable member of the Finance Committee.

2. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.

3. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the minutes of September 8, 2014 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.

4. INVITATION TO SPEAK – Chairman DeBartolomeis called upon Mr. James Wheelock, a resident of Milford who wished to comment on the complaints received on the event that took place over the Labor Day Weekend at the Tradesman, 284 West Street. He stated that even though he was away, in his opinion, the level of noise that was generated was relevant to the type of music played by the bands and that there was no need for a police detail for crowd control or concern for the noise level.

5. Building Commissioner John Erickson updated the board on the following inspections and status of each:

1. 200 Congress Street
2. 11 West Street
3. 12 West Street
4. 11 Sunset Drive-Tow Truck Parking
5. Former Gibbs Gas Station property
6. August 2014 Monthly Report –Open and Closed complaints

After a brief discussion, Mr. Buckley requested that the board receive a list of the open complaints and the status of each on a monthly basis.

Each member stressed the importance of the Neighborhood Task Force and requested that it be activated immediately.

Mr. Murray noted that he received an e-mail from an individual at 17 Draper Park for zoning violations at 38-42 Bancroft Park and therefore requested that Mr. Erickson inspect the property for fire safety, smoke detectors, and noise nuisance.

6. TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

1. Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program – I have been informed by Highway Surveyor, Scott Crisafulli that all projects applied for under the Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program have been completed. These projects included cold planing and repaving on Beaver Street and Medway Road, West Street and the Highland Street intersection, and on Fountain Street; leveling and chip sealing on Beaver Street and repairing guardrail sections on Cedar Street and Dilla Street. The total cost of these projects was \$122,593.00 for which the Town will receive 100% reimbursement.
2. Senior Center Hot Water heater – We needed to replace the hot water heater at the Senior Center last week. A new system was installed with no interruptions to the Center.
3. Upper Town Hall Sprinkler System – There were 2 leaks in the sprinkler system at the Upper Town Hall. Both leaks have been repaired. I am having the entire system inspected to determine the condition of the system.
4. Main Street Lights – I was asked to look into the problem with the Main Street lights not functioning. The issue is a broken PVC underground pipe on Main Street near Middle School East. We will be correcting this problem by removing the concrete sidewalk above the broken PVC pipe, repairing the broken PVC pipe and supplying wiring, and installing new conductors for lighting and plug circuits. Work should begin within the next two (2) weeks.
5. House Bill 4181 – This bill promoting economic growth across the Commonwealth contains two (2) sections that would loosen municipal zoning control by allowing wireless facilities to build within cities and towns with little restriction. Municipalities would no longer have control over where wireless towers, antennae, and other equipment are installed. I have spoken with Representative Fernandes and he has written a strong letter to the members of the Conference Committee considering this bill expressing his concern for its impact on local communities. He will continue to update the Town on the progress of this bill.
6. Special Town Meeting – The Special Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday October 20, 2014 at 7:30 PM. The Board will be approving the Final Warrant tonight. The members of the Financial Team will be meeting to review funding for the Articles and will present a report to the Selectmen on October 6, 2014. At the October 6th meeting the Board can review and discuss the Town meeting Articles.
7. Louisa Lake Dam – As the Board knows we received a Certificate of Non Compliance from the MA Office of Dam Safety. In your Informational Correspondence is a letter

from Town Engineer requesting an extension of the proposed schedule for repairs to the Dam. The original schedule required the Town choosing an Engineer by August 16th and commencing work by August 30th. The Final Phase II Report is due November 30th. We have an Article for the October Town Meeting seeking \$100,000.00 to prepare the Phase II Report. A revised schedule is included in the Letter.

8. National Grid Report – The Board received a Report from National Grid regarding double poles. They have included the “Legend” to help the board track the status of the double pole removals. Verizon will be doing a complete survey of all poles in Milford to make sure all of the data is accurate so National Grid can provide an ageing Report to the Board. Presently there are 55 double poles in Milford. Since the last report 21 poles have been removed and 1 installed for reliability reasons.
9. Crosswalks Main Street – The Highway Department will be redoing the crosswalks on Main Street with Stamped Asphalt. It is a raised walkway which will give the appearance of a “brick walkway.” Work should begin on Wednesday.

Chairman DeBartolomeis requested the following:

- Town Engineer Reis send a copy of the letter regarding the status of the Louisa Lake Dam to the abutters residing on Dilla Street.
- Request that Highway Surveyor Crisafulli consult with the Commission on Disability regarding the redoing of the Crosswalks on Main Street.

7. Town Administrator Villani provided the Board with a copy of the warrant for the October 20, 2014 Special Town Meeting. Mr. Murray moved to approve the warrant as submitted, Mr. Buckley seconded for discussion: Mr. Buckley noted that when individuals submit articles for the Special Town Meeting, they should be on the 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan previously submitted to the Board, UNANIMOUS.

8. After reviewing the proposed amended application request for One-Day Entertainment form submitted by Chief O’Loughlin and Town Administrator Villani, Mr. Murray suggested the following items be added: Provide written description of DJ and/or Bands; For Profit/Non-Profit; Attach Flyer/Posting; List exact number of Police Details requested- whether in house police officers or the applicant has hired a private detail; provide a Traffic Plan; use additional sheets, if necessary; submit application 30 days prior to the event. Mr. Buckley also requested and would like to encourage the 30 day minimum time for submission of the application.

9. Town Administrator Villani noted that it was acceptable to use monies from the Biomeasure T.I.F. Gift Account after consulting with Town Counsel Moody and Town Accountant Taylor as a source of funds to start the project to purchase wreaths, banners and/or flags to be placed on the decorative light poles on Main Street as requested by Scott Crisafulli, Highway Surveyor/Chairman of the Downtown Decoration Committee.

Mr. Buckley moved, seconded by Mr. Murray: To allow the use of monies from the Biomeasure T.I.F. Gift Account to start the project to purchase wreaths, banners and/or flags to be placed on the decorative light poles on Main Street, UNANIMOUS.

10. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve a Permit to Obstruct – Toll Road sponsored by the Milford Lions Club at the intersection of Route 16 and Route 109 on Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 9:00AM-2:00PM, with a rain date of October 25, 2014, UNANIMOUS.

11. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the request of the Italian American Vets, 4 Hayward Field, for a One Day All Alcohol License for Sunday September 28, 2014 12Noon to 4:00PM, UNANIMOUS.

12. Mr. Murray noted that in light of the upcoming Tax Classification Hearing, he requested the following information be provided by Priscilla Hogan, Assessor/Administrator prior to the meeting:

- A list of communities that have adopted the small business exemption
- How many small businesses would qualify in Milford
- An estimate of tax savings to those small business owners
- The impact it would have on other taxpayers

Mr. Buckley requested that the information also be provided to the Industrial Development Commission.

13. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept, with regret, the resignation of Michael A. Nicholson from the Commission on Disability, UNANIMOUS.

14. Chairman DeBartolomeis noted that in Sunday's edition of the local paper he read an article about the ways the Town of Framingham's IT Director provides information to the public via facebook, internet, etc. He suggested that Mr. Blivess contact her to discuss ways in which the town of Milford can increase ways to provide the public with information.

15. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

1. Finance Committee, re: Executive Committee Minutes-August 13, 2014
2. Finance Committee, re: Minutes-June 11, 2014
3. Town Engineer Vonnie M. Reis, P.E., re: Louisa Lake Dam Certificate of Non-Compliance: #MA00629
4. Jill M. Reddish, Sr. Staff Consultant-FIOS TV-Franchise Management, re: Invitation to Board Meeting

16. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To adjourn the Selectmen's meeting at 7:57PM, UNANIMOUS. ROLL CALL VOTE: Chairman DeBartolomeis, Selectmen Brian W. Murray, Esq. and William D. Buckley all vote in the affirmative to go into Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining for the Highway and Parks Departments, UNANIMOUS.

Respectfully submitted:

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean M. DeTore
Minutes Recorder

Dino B. DeBartolomeis, Chairman

Brian W. Murray, Esq.

William D. Buckley