

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION –JULY 10, 2017

ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL

7:00PM

PRESENT: Selectmen William D. Buckley and Michael K. Walsh; Town Administrator Richard A. Villani; and Minutes Recorder Jean M. DeTore. Chairman William E. Kingkade Jr. was absent.

1. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.
2. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the Minutes of June 19, 2017 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.
3. INVITATION TO SPEAK – Mr. Bernard Earl, 6 East Street was present to discuss the following:
  - Replacement of the apron to his driveway after the repaving of East Street, Beach Street and Hayward Streets.
  - Parking concerns at the corner of East and Beach Streets
  - Installation of natural gas

After a brief discussion Mr. Buckley suggested that Town Administrator Villani forward Mr. Earl's contact information to Town Engineer Dean and Highway Surveyor Crisafulli so that they may meet with him to discuss his concerns.

Mrs. Beverly Swymer voiced her concerns relative to the proposed article to amend the zoning by-law concerning retail marijuana. Mr. Buckley noted that the proposed article was on tonight's agenda only to remand it to the Planning Board for review and public hearing; but requested that Town Administrator Villani place it on the next agenda for discussion since the Citizens of Milford would like to make some revisions to the wording.

Mr. William Sanborn was present voicing his concerns relative to the timely scheduling of meetings for the use of upper town hall due to forums for the possible acquisition of the Milford Water Company as well as discussions on the Retail Marijuana Referendum question.

4. Paul Winshman, Manager Richard's Food & Drink, 67 Medway Road, was present to request a change of d/b/a from Bison Burgers to Richard's Roadhouse. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the change of d/b/a, UNANIMOUS.

**5. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

1. Fire Works – I want to thank Chief Touhey and members of the Fire Department for overseeing the Fireworks' Show on July 3, 2017. Their hard work is most appreciated.
2. MS4 General Permit – We have now learned the EPA has agreed to a one year delay of the MA MS4 General Permit effective date from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018. It also delays the September 28, 2017 due date for the filing of the Notice of Intent. The appeal of the permit will now move forward, but the postponement will now provide cities and towns with immediate relief from the cost of complying with the permit until the appeal is resolved.

3. I-90 Reduced to Three Lanes – We have been asked by Representative Murray to remind people that in order to prepare for the upcoming 2017 Construction Shutdown to replace the Commonwealth Bridge over I-90 beginning on July 26, I-90 has been reduced from four lanes to three lanes in each direction in Boston between the Alston Interchange and the Beacon Street overpass. This lane reduction is now in effect and will remain in effect until August 28th. 2017. MassDOT will strive to make lane shift decisions in the best way possible to lessen the impact on drivers using the highway.
4. Access Northeast Project – I have been informed by Jon Bonsall of Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC that they will be withdrawing the Access Northeast Project from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Pre-filing review process.
5. FY 18 State Budget – The Legislature has passed a \$40.2 billion fiscal state budget plan that includes the full \$39.9 million increase in unrestricted Municipal Aid which is the same increase originally proposed by Governor Baker and voted by the House and Senate. The budget also includes a \$119 million increase in Chapter 70 education aid.
6. Municipal Vulnerability preparedness (MVP) program Grant – I am pleased to report that Town Engineer Mike Dean has informed me the Town has been awarded a \$20,000.00 Grant under the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program. This is the initial year of this program which was established by Governor Baker to address climate change. The grant money will be used to complete a community resiliency planning process that will examine the Town's vulnerability and strengths which will then be used to identify priority actions to build resilience as the climate changes. This will help us better understand the impacts of various natural hazard events, such as intense precipitation and winter storm events. Once the planning process is complete the Town will seek to receive designation from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) as an MVP Community. I want to congratulate and thank Mike for his work in securing this Grant.

6. Mr. Walsh expressed his concern regarding the re-appointments/appointments that were made at the June 19, 2017 meeting. He stated that after reviewing the list that was submitted for the board's review, Mr. Steven Manguso was on the list but not re-appointed to the Milford Youth Commission. He further noted that Mr. Manguso was one of the longest members on the commission as well as a coach, teacher and great influence to our "youth". After reviewing the matter with Town Counsel, Mr. Walsh stated that there may be up to twenty-one (21) members but not less than three (3) members appointed to the commission; therefore Mr. Walsh made a motion to appoint Mr. Steven Manguso as the eighth member of the Commission. **THERE WAS NO SECOND.**

Mr. Buckley requested that Mr. Villani seek information from the Department of Environmental Protection concerning the Archer Rubber "cleanup" such as: monitoring the banks of the Charles River; remediation and overseeing of the cleanup.

7. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the request from Jennifer S. Walsh, Coordinator of Special Programs, Milford Community Programs to hold the annual road race to benefit the Milford Special Olympics on September 23, 2017, UNANIMOUS.

8. After reviewing correspondence from Elizabeth Fernandes, Parking Clerk requesting to add to the Traffic Rules, two (2) "15-Minute Parking" spaces for the first two spots only in front of 36 Spruce Street; and to replace the sign and add to the Traffic Rules "No Parking Here to Corner" at the corner of South Bow Street at Café Sorrento; Mr. Walsh moved seconded by Mr. Buckley to approve the request, UNANIMOUS.

9. After reviewing correspondence from Town Counsel Moody requesting an article for the Fall Town Meeting warrant that would enact the Ban of Retail Marijuana Sales if there is an affirmative vote by the voters: Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To remand the proposed article to the Planning Board for review and public hearing, UNANIMOUS.

10. After reviewing correspondence from Town Counsel Moody recommending that the members of the Fair Housing Committee, be classified as "Special Municipal Employees" under G.L. c. 268A, § 1, Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the recommendation, UNANIMOUS.

11. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To approve the list of FY2017-Chapter 44 Section 33B – Transfer of Funds between Line Items as submitted by the Finance Director dated 6/30/17, UNANIMOUS.

12. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept the gift in the amount of \$2,500.00 received from Benjamin Moore and Company to be deposited in the Fire Department gift account, UNANIMOUS.

13. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept with regret, the resignation of Attorney Warren S. Heller from the Personnel Board, UNANIMOUS.

14. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept with regret, the resignation of Arthur E. Morin, Jr. from the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee, UNANIMOUS.

15. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To accept with regret, the resignation of Lisa Bacchiocchi from the Board of Library Trustees, UNANIMOUS.

**16. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Police Chief, re: Annual License Establishments Activity Report January 1, 2017-June 30, 2017
2. Celebrate Milford, re: Certificate of Appreciation

17. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Buckley: To adjourn the Selectmen's meeting at 7:45PM, UNANIMOUS. ROLL CALL VOTE: Selectmen William D. Buckley and Michael K. Walsh all vote in the affirmative to go into Executive Session to discuss, Milford Water Company; and potential land acquisition.

Respectfully submitted:

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Jean M. DeTore  
Minutes Recorder

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William E. Kingkade, Jr., Chairman

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William D. Buckley

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Michael K. Walsh