
MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION – September 14, 2020
ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Chairman William E. Kingkade, Jr. and Selectmen Michael K. Walsh, Selectman Thomas J. O’Loughlin and Town Administrator Richard A. Villani.

Also present: Police Chief Mike Pighetti and IT Director, Chris George.

1. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.
2. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the Regular Session Minutes of August 24, 2020 as submitted. UNANIMOUS.
3. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the Regular Session Minutes of August 31, 2020 as submitted. UNANIMOUS.
4. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the Executive Session Minutes of August 24, 2020 as submitted. UNANIMOUS.
5. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the Executive Session Minutes of August 31, 2020 as submitted. UNANIMOUS.
6. Invitation to Speak – Vincent Cifizari was present to request the Board’s assistance to add two (2) Milford War Veterans names to the Draper Park Monument and to the Wall of Heroes to be placed in Town Hall. He gave a history of each veteran. They are Dianantino M. Lopes and Walter Franklin Howe who were killed in action in World War II. The Board asked the Town Administrator to determine the process to add the names as requested.
7. Jim Berandino of Bohler Engineering was present for Nouria Energy Corporation, 91 Medway Road, (existing Shell Station) seeking an amendment to their Chapter 148 Fuel Storage License. The amendment is to amend the license to store flammables, combustibles or explosives. The amendment is to store underground, 30,000 gallons of Class I Flammable Liquids and 6,000 gallons of Class II Combustible Liquids. It also seeks to store above ground, 200 gallons of LP-gas. The Fire Chief sent a Memo approving the proposed amendment to the license. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the amendment to the Chapter 148 Fuel Storage license. UNANIMOUS.

8. Attorney Michael Juster was present on behalf of Mariscos Lagunas, LLC of 206 East Main Street, Unit 1, along with the owner, Mariana Felipe to request a new common victualler wine and malt beverage license. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To approve the new common victualler wine and malt beverage license. UNANIMOUS.
9. Police Chief Mike Pighetti was present to discuss public access to the Police Station. He reviewed with the Board his Memo regarding the current access to the Station. Mr. Walsh asked why he could not open the lobby doors in case someone in "distress" needed to access the station. Chief Pighetti stated they do not have the ability to stop people at the door as there could be up to 12 people in the lobby. He has no way to control people as they enter the Station and no way to contact trace. Selectmen O'Loughlin said the Town is using the Youth Center and Memorial Hall as Day Care centers and the Milford Regional Medical Center is now open to the public. He further said the Station has two dispatchers behind bullet proof glass. He recommended using a clipboard for people to sign in to contact trace and placing markers on the lobby floor for social distancing. He believes the lobby can be open and requested the Police Chief set up protocols to open. Chief Pighetti stated he "fears he is being set up to fail." He said the dispatchers can't control people coming in to the station. Mr. O'Loughlin moved to direct that the lobby be open to the public. Mr. Walsh then stated we should provide to the Chief what he needs to open. There was no second. Mr. O'Loughlin then moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To direct the Police Chief to open the Police Station lobby to the public and the Board will assist the Chief as to what he needs to open and further directed the Chief to inform the Board as to his needs. IT IS A VOTE. (2 TO 1). Mr. Kingkade dissenting.
10. Police Chief Mike Pighetti was present recommending the installation of a crosswalk at Depot Street and Whitney Streets. He reviewed his Memo outlining the reasons for the crosswalk. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To approve the installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Depot Street and Whitney Street. UNANIMOUS.
11. It Director, Chris George, was present to review the plan to install a security camera system at Town Hall and Memorial Hall. The cameras will only record video. The Board reviewed the plan and authorized him to implement the plan.
12. Cassia B. Viana filed an application to amend the existing Common Victualler license of SDM Corporation D/B/A Sabor De Minas Restaurant to change the name of the business to Cassia's Restaurant, Inc. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To approve the name change. UNANIMOUS.

13. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – September 14, 2020

- A. Drop Box – I want to inform the Board and the public that we have installed a second drop box on the Court Street side of the Town Hall building. It is at ground level and is ADA compliant.
- B. Tree Cutting- Tree Warden Chuck Reneau has informed me a Tree Cutting Company will be trimming trees from overhead electrical wires at various locations in Milford.

14. The Board reviewed the new Town Hall operating hours which were to go into effect on September 14, 2020. Mr. O'Loughlin stated he would recommend the new hours be put "on hold" to assess and determine if the new hours should be implemented. He asked why all offices need to be open late on one day. He said more people are doing things on line and we have 2 drop boxes. He also said employees have day care issues. Mr. Kingcade said in this COVID environment he is not sure if we need a late night. He did ask how this might affect the MACE contract which included the new hours. Mr. Walsh agreed to put the new hours on hold. The Board directed the Town Administrator to not implement the new hours.

15. The Board reviewed a request by Geri Edins, Chair of the Cultural Council, to appoint Mr. Gary Bonetti to the Cultural Council. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To approve the appointment of Gary Bonetti to the Cultural Council. UNANIMOUS.

16. The Board reviewed a request from Joe Zacchilli, Plumbing and Gas Inspector, to waive the permit fees for replacement of ovens in the kitchen at Milford High School and for the installation of water heaters at the Brookside School. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To waive the permit fees as requested. UNANIMOUS.

17. The Board reviewed a letter from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council requesting the Town appoint a representative to the Council. The Planning Board previously voted to appoint Planning Board member Joseph A. Calagione as the MAPC representative. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin: To approve the appointment of Joseph A. Calagione as the Town of Milford's representative to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. UNANIMOUS.

- 18.** The Board reviewed a Memo from Town Planner Larry Dunkin requesting the Board VOTE to remand two (2) proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendments to the Planning Board for public hearing to be included on the October 26, 2020 Special Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To remand to the Planning Board for Hearing an Amendment to 3.9 of the Zoning Bylaw relating to Inflatable Signs definition and an Amendment to 4.1 of the Zoning Bylaw relating to the definition of Massage Parlor. UNANIMOUS.
- 19.** The Board reviewed a request from Jason McLevy of Design Architect Construction requesting the installation of “No Trailer “parking signs to be placed along National Street. The signs are a condition required by the Planning Board for the final Site Plan approval for the project. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To approve the installation of the No Trailer Parking signs along National Street. UNANIMOUS.
- 20.** The Board reviewed a list of the School Crossing Guards sent by Kathleen Perry to be appointed by the Board. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To appoint all of the crossing guards on the list. UNANIMOUS.
- 21.** Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To accept the resignation of former Selectman Bill Buckley from the Woodland School Building Committee. UNANIMOUS. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To appoint Selectman Thomas J. O’Loughlin as the Board of Selectmen’s representative to the Woodland School Building Committee. UNANIMOUS.
- 22.** Mr. O’Loughlin said he received an email form Marie Palomares regarding clearing and installing a fence along a path that abuts her property along East Main Street. He asked the Town Administrator to speak with the Highway Surveyor and for him to provide recommendations for the requests from Ms. Palomares.
- 23.** Mr. O’Loughlin asked to include on the next Agenda the request from Norfolk County Agricultural School to be receive funding from the Town of Milford’s allotted Cares Funding. Mr. O’Loughlin asked the Town Administrator to contact the Superintendent to request more information on their student needs and how it will impact students residing in Milford.

24. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

25. Mr. Walsh moved, seconded by Mr. O’Loughlin: To adjourn the Selectmen’s meeting at 8:39 PM, UNANIMOUS.

Richard A. Villani
Minutes Recorder

William E. Kingkade, Jr. Chairman

Michael K. Walsh

Thomas J. O’Loughlin