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NOTICE OF HEARING

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The Town of Plympton Municipal Bylaws

Board of Selectmen and Board of Assessors Joint Hearing

Name of Committee

Place of Meeting: Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, 5 Palmer Road

Date: Monday 10/03/2016
Day of Week Date (mm/dd/yy)

Time: 7:00 PM

AGENDA ATTACHED OR SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED LISTED BELOW:

DETAILS:

Allocation of the local property tax levy among the 5 property classes in the Town of Plympton for Fiscal Year 2017.

Scheduled Joint Hearing Posted Friday, September 23, 2016 in *Plympton-Halifax Express* weekly newspaper (see attached)

Signature:

Date:

9/28/2016

Halifax Police Blotter



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
 1:47 a.m. Holmes Street burglar alarm. Building secured.
 8:07 a.m. McClelland Road 911 unknown emergency investigated. See narrative.
 9:19 a.m. Elm & Pond Streets motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 2:03 p.m. Sycamore Drive 911 medical call. Removed to hospital.
 3:27 p.m. Buttonwood Road walk-in threats/harassment investigated. See narrative.
 3:39 p.m. Monponsett Street 911 medical call. Refused EMS service.
 4:39 p.m. Twin Lakes Drive walk-in suspicious activity. Log info only.
 5:32 p.m. Harvard Street outside smoke. Area search negative.
 7:45 p.m. Arrowhead Park fire alarm. Services rendered.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
 11:56 a.m. Industrial Drive electrical odor. Fire extinguished.
 1:18 p.m. Dartmouth Street 911 medical call. Removed to hospital.
 2:34 p.m. Plymouth Street larceny. Report to follow.
 2:43 p.m. Chestnut Road investigation. Services rendered.
 5:54 p.m. Anson Drive animal complaint investigated. See incident report.
 8:25 p.m. Monponsett Street animal complaint investigated. See narrative.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
 7:49 a.m. Brandois Circle animal complaint. Referred to animal control.
 11:22 a.m. Brentwood Road (Kingston) mutual aid EMS. Removed to hospital.
 11:54 a.m. Cedar Street vandalism. Report to follow.

2:11 p.m. Plymouth Street medical call. Services not required.
 3:59 p.m. Rosewood Drive medical call. Removed to hospital.
 4:26 p.m. Sycamore Drive medical call. Removed to hospital.
 4:37 p.m. Kestrel Lane medical call. Services rendered.
 4:47 p.m. Plymouth Street mutual aid fire. Services rendered.
 6:18 p.m. Redwood Drive investigation. Area search negative.
 6:31 p.m. Trinity Avenue medical call. Removed to hospital.
 7:05 p.m. Nabesway Circle larceny. Report to follow.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
 5:10 a.m. Orchard Circle 911 medical call. Refused EMS service.
 10:58 a.m. Lydon Lane non-domestic assault. Report to follow.
 12:19 p.m. Lydon Lane medical call. Removed to hospital.
 1:04 p.m. Plymouth Street lockout w/out hazard. Services rendered.
 4:41 p.m. Plymouth Street medical call. Services rendered.
 6:08 p.m. Redwood Drive medical call. Removed to hospital.
 10:33 p.m. Lake Street larceny investigated. See incident report.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
 6:58 a.m. Plymouth Street motor vehicle complaint. Log info only.
 9:19 a.m. Plymouth Street animal complaint. Log info only.
 12:34 p.m. Plymouth Street 911 investigation. Log info only.
 3:46 p.m. River Street lockout w/out hazard. Services rendered.
 4:10 p.m. Plymouth Street outside smoke. Fire extinguished.
 5:58 p.m. Plymouth Street

walk-in animal complaint. Referred to animal control.
 7:22 p.m. Lilly Pond Lane motor vehicle complaint investigated. See narrative.
 7:25 p.m. Franklin Street vandalism investigated. See narrative.
 9:02 p.m. Franklin Street motor vehicle disabled. Log info only.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
 2:05 p.m. Monponsett Street motor vehicle crash. Services not required.
 6:06 p.m. Industrial Drive 911 medical call. Removed to hospital.
 7:41 p.m. Chestnut Road 911 medical call. Removed to hospital.
 8:55 p.m. Penman Way medical call. Removed to hospital.
 10:10 p.m. South Street burglar alarm. Building secured.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
 12:06 a.m. Orchard Circle noise complaint investigated. See narrative.
 12:29 a.m. Holmes Street noise complaint investigated. See narrative.
 7:18 a.m. Thompson & Walnut Streets motor vehicle stop. Arrest of 31 y.o. Halifax female.
 9:12 a.m. Plymouth Street medical call. Services rendered.
 9:52 a.m. Plymouth Street animal complaint. Log info only.
 10:57 a.m. Plymouth Street medical call. Services rendered.
 11:26 a.m. Holmes Street 911 lockout w/out hazard. Services rendered.
 12:01 p.m. Chestnut Road walk-in investigation. Advised civil action.
 2:12 p.m. Lingan Street medical call. Services rendered.
 2:31 p.m. Hillside Avenue motor vehicle complaint investigated. See narrative.

Plympton Police Blotter



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
 2:38 a.m. Plymouth Street (Carver) assist other police department. Services rendered.
 7:08 a.m. County Road medical emergency. No services necessary.
 8:53 a.m. Forest Street serve warrant. Arrest (s) made.
 12:45 p.m. Brook Street medical emergency. Transported to hospital.
 7:17 p.m. County Road domestic disturbance. Investigated.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
 8:53 a.m. Palmer Road & Center Street motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 11:21 a.m. Main Street motor vehicle stop. Written warning issued.
 1:55 p.m. Mayflower Road motor vehicle stop. Written warning issued.
 5:06 p.m. Parsonage Road suspicious activity. Report done.
 5:57 p.m. Mayflower Avenue suspicious activity. Investigated.
 6:49 p.m. Mayflower Road motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 10:10 p.m. Cress Street suspicious activity. Investigated.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

5:04 p.m. Spring Street disabled motor vehicle. Services rendered.
 5:40 p.m. West Street assist citizen. Item logged.
 6:39 p.m. Palmer Road restraining order served.
 8:58 p.m. Ring Road medical emergency. Transported to hospital.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
 1:45 a.m. Grove Street medical emergency. Transported to hospital.
 9:03 a.m. S. Meadow Road (Carver) ambulance. Transported to hospital.
 10:13 a.m. Spring Street motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 10:39 a.m. Village Way (Carver) ambulance. Transported to hospital.
 10:52 a.m. Main Street motor vehicle accident. Report done.
 6:13 p.m. Palmer Road disabled motor vehicle. Item logged.
 6:22 p.m. Palmer Road assist citizen. Arrest (s) made.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
 12:42 p.m. Main Street motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 12:48 p.m. County Road medical emergency. Transported to hospital.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
 7:13 a.m. Franklin Street (Halifax) 911 medical emergency. Transported to hospital.
 9:55 a.m. Main Street motor vehicle stop. Written warning issued.
 10:10 a.m. Lake Street well-being check. No services necessary.
 10:30 a.m. Center Street inside investigation. Investigated.
 10:49 a.m. Colchester Road investigation. Investigated.
 11:50 a.m. County Road larceny/forgery/theft. Report done.
 1:45 p.m. Mayflower Road animal complaint. Item logged.
 4:30 p.m. Brook Street civil complaint. Services rendered.
 5:45 p.m. Main Street motor vehicle stop. Citation issued.
 6:05 p.m. Brook Street & Mayflower Road erratic operation. Area search negative.
 7:17 p.m. Palmer Road erratic operation. Investigated.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
 5:25 p.m. Palmer Road disabled motor vehicle. No services necessary.
 7:58 p.m. Thomas Blanchard Drive noise complaint. Area search negative.

Woman vs. beast

Herself is a woman of spirit and adventure. She may not be quite as spunky as Ava Gardner was in the movie version of Hemingway's "The Snows of Kilimanjaro," but we date ourselves with that reference. She is, however up to the task of facing down wild beasts as she did some years ago as a young Army wife fishing with her husband in Alaska; to wit "hey honey look at that neat grizzly bear just across the stream." Yipest! Husband says, "Thank you Mr. Bear, yes you can have my fish."

You can picture the scene.

She has also lived the "City Slickers" movie herding and roping cattle galloping across the high plains of Montana, a firm believer that there is no cool like cowgirl cool. She's also familiar with branding, dehorning and gelding, a threat she used on our boys in High School years.



By Eileen Macgregor

Monday was a day to challenge the mettle of even the most stalwart adventurers, toughened on the mean streets of Savin Hill's St. William's Parish. Monday she looked danger in the eye and smirked. She had to take the cat to the veterinarian. Hemingway would have backed away from this challenge, preferring a free for all boxing match at Sloppy Joe's in Key West. Herself does not back down and she planned her every move. Danger is her business and business is good.

Abigail the cat masquerades as a docile domestic creature that spends 20 of every 24 hours napping. One should not be lulled into believing this is a truly domesticated animal. In truth this cat is a closer cousin to the King of Beasts or a Bengal Tiger than she is to Garfield. The cat is constantly plotting; ready to pounce on unsuspecting creatures or to whip visiting dogs into submission. This beast will not be physically subdued. This mission requires stealth and cunning. The cat must be outsmarted. Herself is the woman to do it.

The trap was laid. Two days before the vet appointment the rarely-used cat carrier is positioned by the fireplace so that it seems now a part of the furniture. The day of the entrapment, Herself lures the carrier with copious quantities of catnip. Abigail is a catnip sot. She doesn't fall for it. Slowly, Herself and her cousin maneuver the wily cat into a corner, moving ever so nonchalantly then Herself pounces! Cat is secured, sort of. Who knew a 14-pound critter had so much strength in her forelegs? She didn't go quietly. Legs braced against the doorway of the carrier had to be gently folded into the body. Herself used her best WWE ring moves. Cat is in. Slam the door. Cat looks with pure cat kill fury at her alleged mistress! Cat begins a primal howl that dates from sabre toothed tigers. The howl lasts all the way to Halifax and in the door of the veterinary clinic.

The lady vet, an old friend works her best magic to get Abigail out of the carrier. Howls continue through examination, blood tests and pedicure. Cat is not pleased. Herself is worried about getting cat back in the carrier. No problem. The door is opened and cat runs in then howls until she realizes she is finally home. Carrier is opened and cat dashes to safe corner behind a chair to plot her revenge. Mission accomplished. Herself is not a woman to be trifled with, but beware cats have long memories.

PLYMPTON NEWS BRIEFS

TAX CLASSIFICATION HEARING SCHEDULED

A public hearing on tax classification will be held Monday, October 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's meeting room of the Town House.

Allocating the local property tax levy among the five property classes for Fiscal Year 2017 will be discussed. A public hearing prior to the local determination of the levy percentages is one of the requirements of legislation relating to property tax classification. The legislation also vests the local policy decision regarding the shift of the property tax burden from one class to another exclusively with the Board of Selectmen.

The hearing will give taxpayers an opportunity to present their views as to whether residential, open space, commercial, industrial and personal property should all be taxed at the same or different rates. The Board of Assessors will provide supporting data relevant to the fiscal effects of available alternatives.

Selectmen will also be required to vote on the small commercial exemption. Such an option, if voted, would in effect, reduce the property taxes on properties occupied by small businesses and shift those taxes onto other commercial and industrial properties.

After the hearing the Assessors will submit the recap sheet to the Department of Revenue for approval of the tax rate.