

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES September 29, 2014

6:15 pm

Plympton Town House Community Meeting Room

Selectmen, Chair Mark Russo (MR), Colleen Thompson (CT) and John Henry (JH) and Town Coordinator Dale Pleau present.

Chairman Russo called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. Mr. Russo opened meeting with "ground rules" and also welcomed BOS new Administrative Assistant, Kristen LeVangie.

# **ONGOING DISCUSSIONS:**

# **Solar Project**

• Chairman of Planning Board Irv Butler was in attendance. Planning Board discussed hiring an engineer to help with discovering more funds and relieving pressure of Board.

### **Rocky Harvest**

 Petition (117 signatures) was presented to BOS. Petition stated that no settlement or agreement be accepted by BOS in this legal matter. Mr. Henry stated that we are nearing a decision. Judge will rule soon. BOS feels good about what our attorneys have prepared. Mr. Russo reiterated that he stated he is obligated to look and consider all settlements. That doesn't mean he would necessarily accept a settlement.

### **Fire Department Donated Truck**

 BOS is required by law to vote and approve all donated items; this is to insure items are covered by budget. Mr. Russo and Mr. Pleau will draft letter to send to all departments to inform them of this rule.

#### Comcast

Making progress on this issue, BOS will keep on it.

### **Dennett Teachers' Union Contract**

 Contract was approved. The new contract runs for three years with raises of 2% for the first and second year. The third year will be negotiated at a later date with a 2% minimum.

### **Town Website**

BOS still aim to improve website.

# **Town Coordinator Report:**

- Mr. Pleau will meet with DOR on 10/7. Main focus will be financials.
- Kim Adams, Troop leader is actively looking for Eagle Scout projects. Contact Dale with inquiries.
- Vault is painted and shelves have been ordered. (Shelves arrive in about 8 weeks).
- Mr. Pleau discussed benefits of incorporating a high speed scanner so records could be digitized.
- Mr. Pleau suggested to BOS that they look into applying for grants through the MA Green Communities Designation and Grant program.

#### **New Business**

- Sign on County Road, Family doesn't want one. BOS previously voted against it.
- Email from concerned citizen regarding Upland Rd. /Upland Clubs sponsored events. Excessive gunfire and motorcycle racing. Mr. Henry will talk to club manager and remind them that they are in a residential area. Mr. Russo will email concerned citizen of what BOS efforts are to help control situation.
- Mr. Henry brought up concerns of a zoning change on Spring Street in Carver. Mr. Henry asked Mr. Butler (planning board) if he had heard or seen anything regarding this, Mr. Butler has not but will make a call looking into this matter.

# **Future BOS Meeting Schedule**

Next meeting scheduled for 10/06/14 at 6:00 pm & 10/20/14 at 9 am.

### **Correspondence:**

- BOS approve paperwork to appoint James A. Murphy as a Special Police Officer.
- Mark Gabriel was appointed to Special Police Officer.

Motion: MR to appoint Mr. Gabriel as requested. Second CT, Unanimous JH

Sergeant Costa requesting change in pay grade

Motion: MR in favor. Second CT, Unanimous JH

• Mr. Pleau suggests that BOS open a credit account for Sysco.

Motion: MR in favor. Second CT, Unanimous JH

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Mr. Russo thanked Mr. Pleau for all his administrative help while they were searching to fill the Administrative Assistant position.

#### Minutes:

 Motion: CT to accept minutes of 9/19/14 meeting with corrections. Second MR, Unanimous JH

7:40 MOTION: MR to adjourn the meeting. Second CT, Unanimous JH

Respectively submitted,

Kristen LeVangie Board of Selectmen, Assistant

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