



# BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

6:00 pm

Plympton Town House  
New Meeting Room

Approved.....8.10.15

Present: Selectmen; Mark Russo, Colleen Thompson, Christine Joy & Town Coordinator Dale Pleau  
Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Russo opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

## **D.O.R report:**

- Mrs. Joy and Town Moderator John Traynor met two weeks ago for a preliminary discussion regarding the D.O.R report. They have an outline of tasks they will begin to tackle. They are meeting again on August 6<sup>th</sup> and will be joined by Finance Committee member Susan Ossoff. In future they will also be including department heads as advisory roles.

## **Public Safety Building Committee:**

- The Public Safety Building Committee is now formed. Appointments are ready to be approved and voted on. Chair Colleen Thompson hopes to have the first meeting next week. (August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm). Ms. Thompson is drafting an outline of what she expects of committee. She will send to BOS and Town Coordinator to review. The Public Safety Building Committee members are as follows:

Colleen Thompson  
Robert Karling  
Art Morin  
Nancy Butler  
Jake Jacobson  
Jon Wilhelmsen  
Harry Weikel

Advisory members of Public Safety Building Committee will be: Police Chief Dillon, Fire Chief Borsari, Town Coordinator Dale Pleau and Highway Surveyor Jim Mulcahy.

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion that BOS vote to approve the above 7 people to be appointed to the Public Safety Building Committee until committee dissolves. Second Mrs. Joy. 3/0**

*Ms. Thompson said committee will consider another member, there is a potential opening.*

*BOS needed to re-vote the appointments for Public Safety Building Committee. Mr. Russo wants to recuse himself from vote.*

**VOTE: Mrs. Joy made motion that BOS appoint Colleen Thompson, Robert Karling, Art Morin, Nancy Butler, Jake Jacobson, Jon Wilhelmsen and Harry Weikel to the Public Safety Building Committee until committee dissolves. Second Ms. Thompson. 2/0/1 Mr. Russo recused.**

### **Town Coordinator:**

- Mr. Pleau informed BOS that he is closing out the Green Communities Grant and will be forwarding all paperwork to the State.
- The New meeting room is now complete.
- Ms. Thompson inquired about the roof repairs in Old Treasurer's office, Dale will follow up with the roof company.
- Mr. Pleau informed BOS that the town basketball court was vandalized again; the backboard needs to be replaced. The Recreation Commission received a quote of \$2600 for repairs. Insurance company gave Town \$1600 for repairs. Mr. Pleau left message for company who put in bid to see if they can do repairs for \$1600. Mr. Pleau priced out a new backboard and that estimate is around \$500. Mr. Pleau thinks \$1600 is a fair price for new backboard and clean-up of court. Ms. Thompson asked Mr. Pleau if he thinks only option is glass backboard, Mr. Pleau believes glass is standard. Mr. Pleau will follow up with Recreation Commission. Mr. Pleau also mentioned possibility of installing lights up at the court.

### **Correspondence:**

- Plympton-Halifax Express
- The Beacon
- Kopelman & Paige litigation documents
- Letter from Global Jewish Advocacy Group

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to sign the Global Jewish Advocacy statement letter. Second Mrs. Joy. 3/0**

- Visiting Nurse Association of Cape Cod (FY16 Contract)

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to sign Visiting Nurse Association of Cape Cod FY16 Contract. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0**

*(Art Morin from the Board of Health was present and wanted everyone to know that the BOH no longer offers a free blood pressure clinic due to lack of turnout).*

- UMASS Energy Symposium- 9.30.15 from 8:30 am- 12:30 pm
- Letter from Xfinity regarding changes to service
- MIIA newsletter about new website
- Kopleman and Paige welcome letter to Mrs. Joy
- Old Colony Notice of Meeting and agenda- 7.28.15
- Use of Town Property application from CS United/Soccer Club requesting to use Plympton's fields behind the Town House (Hoyt Field) for 11 weeks for a soccer clinic. BOS would like some more information regarding this request. Mr. Russo would like Selectmen assistant Kristen to get more information and send this request to the Recreation commission. Mr. Pleau suggested Jason Park fields as another option.

- Use of Town Property application from Plympton Historical Society. They would like to hold a movie night at Hoyt Field on 9/11/15.

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for the Plympton Historical Society to use Hoyt Field for a movie night on 9/11/15 pending approval from BOH, Fire Chief, Police Chief and Highway Department. Second Mrs. Joy. 3/0**

- There was a second request from the Historical Society to use the Town Green on 9/12/15 for Old Home Day.

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for the Plympton Historical Society to use the Town Green for Old Home Day on 9/12/15 pending approval from BOH, Fire Chief, Police Chief and Highway Department. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0**

*Ken Thompson from the Zoning Board of Appeals was present at meeting. He wanted to clarify statement made at meeting last week regarding the open seat on the ZBA. They are welcoming a 5<sup>th</sup> member but member needs to be recommended and nominated. They are looking for a qualified person to fill open seat. Experience and some exposure with Planning, Building and Zoning board are welcomed.*

*Linda Leddy was present at meeting and mentioned that she saw an article in the Plympton- Halifax Express that had to do with the recent grant Halifax received through the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters grant. She is hoping Plympton has the same opportunity to apply for these grants. Mr. Russo said he will follow up with the Fire Chief regarding grants and will put grants on the agenda for next meeting.*

*Mr. Russo mentioned to BOS that he received the Tri-town Area 58 cable contract. He will forward to BOS so they can review it. BOS will discuss contract at next meeting and may be able to take a vote and sign contract.*

*Mr. Russo suggested BOS invite Town Counsel to a meeting in September to review on-going legal matters. They would also like to invite Ilana Quirk to hold an educational session. Mr. Russo will review dates with Ilana. A Wednesday night meeting might be a possibility.*

**Future BOS Meeting schedule:**

- Monday August 10<sup>th</sup> & August 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. BOS Open Meeting

**Solar Projects:**

- Ms. Thompson reached out to Mr. Henry. Borrego is still seeking financing and Blue Wave is tied up in litigation. Mr. Russo will reach out to Town Counsel to see if they have any updates.
- Ms. Thompson said Mr. Henry had a couple questions on proposed Dennett School solar roof project. Would vote need to go to Town Meeting? Mr. Pleau replied no. Does project need to go out to bid? Mr. Pleau also replied no. Mr. Pleau has invited IRC-Solar Roof Systems to attend a BOS meeting and give a presentation on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Mr. Pleau and Mr. Russo also suggested that Silver Lake School Committee, Dennett School Committee, Silver Lake Superintendent, Finance Committee and Principal Veneto all be invited to presentation meeting as well.

**Minutes:**

**VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion to approve 7/13/15 BOS meeting minutes as amended.  
Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0**

**Meeting Adjourned 7:04 pm.**

Respectively submitted,



Kristen LeVangie  
Board of Selectmen, Assistant

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