

# **BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

August 24th, 2015

6:00 pm

Plympton Town House New Meeting Room

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

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

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## Plympton Mobil Gas & Convenience Corporate name change:

**TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE** 

Plympton Mobil Gas & Convenience is asking BOS for a name change approvant METON contract with Mobil ends on 9/1/15. Their new name will be Plympton Gas & Convenience. They have obtained a new business certificate from the Town Clerk. Selectmen Assistant Kristen has the ABCC name change application and will send all paperwork to ABCC for name change.

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to approve name change from Plympton Mobile Gas & Convenience to Plympton Gas & Convenience. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

#### **Selectmen Assistant search:**

Selectmen Assistant Kristen LeVangie submitted a resignation letter to BOS. Her last official day is Thursday August 27th, 2015. BOS and Town Coordinator have put an ad in local paper and will advertise on town website, library and will email to all boards/committees.

VOTE: Mrs. Joy made motion for BOS to accept Kristen's resignation letter. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

#### Tri-town regional access studio agreement:

BOS reviewed contract at last meeting and found a couple minor errors. Contract has been corrected. BOS are ready to vote on contract.

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to approve the Tri-town regional access studio agreement for a three year term. Second Mrs. Joy. 3/0

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to appoint Karen Foye as Board of Directors to the Area 58 Community Access Television, Inc to a three year term. Second Mrs. Iov. 3/0

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to appoint Mark Russo as Board of Directors to the Area 58 Community Access Television, Inc for a two year term. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

<sup>\*\*</sup> There is also an available alternate seat for this cable committee- anyone interested please contact Mark Russo at mrusso@town.plympton.ma.us \*\*

#### Parsonage basketball backboard damage:

• Recreation Commission was present at tonight's meeting. They advised BOS they have been in touch with a company that will clean up the glass at court, remove and replace backboard with plexiglass, weed whack area and replace fence. They will use the \$1600 that was issued by Town's insurance company to cover this expense. Recreation Commission asked BOS if they should submit another claim for the second backboard that was vandalized. BOS are unsure if they are willing to submit a second claim. Town Coordinator Dale said he will look into the Buildings and Grounds account to see if there is any money in that account to cover the expenses for the damaged second backboard. Mrs. Joy recommended putting in motion detector/lights for court. Recreation Committee said the damage is actually being done during the daytime hours.

VOTE: Mrs. Joy made motion for BOS to authorize Recreation Commission to fix the first damaged backboard including clean up not exceeding \$1600. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

## **Letter concerning 292 Main Street land sale request:**

 Mrs. Joy drafted and revised letter to resident requesting to purchase land at 292 Main Street. BOS assistant Kristen will put letter on BOS letterhead and mail to resident.

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

- Mrs. Joy and Mr. Traynor from committee met with Town Accountant Barbara Gomez and Town Treasurer Colleen Morin. Mrs. Joy stated that Barbara and Colleen have done tremendous work already. Most of the items on their list were done, making the committee's job a lot easier to tackle. Committee will meet again on 9/17/15 at 6 pm. Mr. Traynor will also be coming in to spend time with Town Accountant to see how things are run daily in their department.
- There was some discussion with BOS and Recreation Commission about Recreation Commission's accounts. (Donation, revolving and general fund).

#### Town Coordinator:

- Dale is still working on the final report for the Green communities grant.
- Dale stated the Public Safety Building Committee (PSBC) has authorized an engineer to come out and look at the land next to the Town House. Ms. Thompson said PSBC intent was to finish evaluation on Center Street and focus engineering at Town House land. The consensus from committee is that the PSB should be at land at Town House.

## **Sargent Costa Retirement:**

• There was a presentation for the retirement of Sargent Robert Costa. Sargent Costa is retiring after 30 years of service to the Plympton Police Department. Chief Dillon made a speech and presented Sargent Costa with a plaque. Rep. Calter was also present and made a speech and presented Sargent Costa with a citation. Sargent Costa gave a brief speech with his gratitude to his family, friends, co-workers and Town of Plympton.

## Public Safety Building Committee:

VOTE: Ms. Thompson made motion for BOS to authorize Town Coordinator Dale Pleau to proceed with evaluation at Town House land using funds approved at 2014 Town Meeting. Second Mrs. Joy. 2/0/1. Mr. Russo recused himself.

PSBC will like to continue the evaluation of land on Center Street; this is a fall back site if
Town House land doesn't work out. They however would like to take the Maple Street land
off the table so they can focus on the Town House land. Fire and Police Departments are
also not in favor of pursuing land at Maple Street.

VOTE: Ms. Thompson made motion for BOS to remove Maple Street land as possible site for Public Safety Building. Second Mrs. Joy. 2/0/1. Mr. Russo recused.

- Mrs. Joy asked Dale to compile an inventory report of all town owned land.
- Mr. Russo stated he recently received an email from a concerned resident about the Public Safety Building. Mr. Russo stated if anyone has any concerns now is the time to speak up. There are has been numerous opportunities by now to bring up any questions/comments/concerns. These are open meetings- Agenda's and minutes have been posted. Ms. Thompson let everyone know the next PSBC meeting is 9/2/15 at 6 pm.

#### **Recreation Commission:**

- BOS has heard back from Ilana from Kopelman & Paige regarding jurisdiction over the Dennett School. In Ilana's opinion custody falls to the hands of the School Committee.
- The renting of the town's fields is now in the hands of the School Committee. Jon
  Wilhelmsen was in attendance and said at today's School Committee meeting the
  Committee voted to give Recreation Commission authority over the school fields. Mrs. Joy
  asked if Recreation Commission will take over all fields; Harry Jason Park has their own
  committee but they haven't met in two years.

VOTE: Mrs. Joy authorized Recreation Commission to pursue CS United Soccer club about using Harry Jason Park fields. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

BOS Assistant Kristen will forward Recreation Commission all info submitted by CS United Soccer club.

#### **Solar Project / Dennett:**

• Jon Wilhelmsen was present from the School Committee. He relayed to BOS that the School Committee spent the good part of their meeting discussing the solar panels. In discussing the main roof, Principal Veneto said that the roof installed was a high end roof and has only had a limited issue with leaking. The roof still has a life expectancy of 10-15 years. If panels are put on and will be there for 20 years, what happens if roof needs to be replaced after 15? Since school is not facing a new main roof in immediate future the School Committee didn't feel that proceeding with panels would be in their best interest at this time. They agree however when the time comes to replace the main roof they will look into all options, including solar panels. There were some discussions on gym and metal back roof as well. Jon stated solar was never on anyone's radar but has now opened up the discussion for it. Educational aspect of panels are a plus.

# 59 Parsonage Road records request:

- Town Clerk has responded to records requests at 59 Parsonage Road.
- BOS suggested that all elected officials and select boards and committees have town emails.
  Town Coordinator Dale created a new town email for Mark Russo
  (mrusso@town.plympton.ma.us) and will do one for Christine Joy as well. Dale will look into a composing town emails for select officials and committee/board members within budgetary constraints.
- Resident Jon Wilhelmsen suggested that Dale look into google or other vehicles for cloud based options for Town documents/emails.

#### **Future BOS Meeting schedule:**

- Monday August 31st at 6pm. BOS Open Meeting
- Monday September 14th at 6pm. BOS Open Meeting
  - \*\* (Weekly meetings start again in September) \*\*

# **Correspondence:**

- Plympton-Halifax Express
- Letter from Resource Controls
- Comcast free account review
- K&P litigation documents
- Letter from Sauchuk Farms to Zoning Officer regarding new building at farm
- Massasoit Community College/customer service classes for Municipalities
- Cranberry Harvest 5k Run/Walk
- Selectmen Assistant resignation letter

• Letter from Building Inspector Tom Millias to recommend William Kelly, Jr. as new Assistant Building Inspector.

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion for BOS to appoint William D. Kelly, Jr. as new Assistant Building Inspector through 6/30/16. Second Mrs. Joy. 3/0

\*\* Mr. Russo wanted to make a quick note that the Community Preservation Plan for 2015 will be accepting requests for projects. The deadline is October 15th, 2015. The plan is exactly the same as the previous year and can be found on Town website. \*\*

#### Minutes:

VOTE: Mr. Russo made motion to approve 8/10/15 BOS meeting minutes as amended. Second Ms. Thompson. 3/0

Meeting Adjourned 7:40 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Kristen LeVangie

Board of Selectmen, Assistant

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