## PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES May 24, 2010

Attendees: Joseph Freitas, Barry DeCristofano, and John Henry Meeting called to order at 7:25 PM

Mr. Henry opened the meeting and reported that an Executive Session Meeting with the Town Zoning Enforcement Officer, Bob Karling began at 6:30 PM and ran late.

APPOINTMENTS: 7:15 PM Finance Committee Members: Max West, Lisa Hart, and David Pecinovsky were present. The discussion pertained to the Transfers FY 2010 that Town Accountant, Barbara Gomez presented earlier. The line items are:

- Plymouth County Retirement \$3,840.00 (Tax Collector)
- Plymouth County Retirement \$1,274.00 (Treasurer)
- Fire Department Salaries \$5,000.00Insurance \$1,000.00

These items lines were put on hold until next meeting. Mr. Pecinovsky suggested that there be a financial control mechanism in place in order to prevent any surprises to both Boards present.

Mr. Henry reported that he has asked the Town Accountant to increase her hours from ten hours per week in order to watch for financial short falls and avoid these same problems.

There was some discussion regarding the Ambulance line being used strictly for salary or used in the event of a financial emergency. Mr. Freitas will contact Town Counsel and report back.

The Board asked Chief Inglis to reduce training efforts and take shifts himself to reduce the Ambulance salary line.

Mr. West report that the following budget lines will be paid: Unemployment, (to avoid penalties) Veterans, Legal, Insurance, and pay roll.

There are two positions open in the Finance Committee and it has been posted. Nominations will be taken after Thursday, June 03, 2010. Mr. Henry recommended Ms. Susan Ossoff and Cathryn Vroom.

Mr. West asked for approval from the Board to contact Town Counsel for four hours. He would like them to review alternative possibilities for the Town Budget.

There was discussion for the Finance Committee to possibly seek a different Counsel firm to avoid conflict of interest. Mr. West stated he would like to stay with present Counsel.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to allow the Finance Committee up to four hours of service with Town Counsel. Second Mr. Joseph Freitas. 3-0-0.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to amend the vote to allow the Finance Committee up to four hours of service with Town Counsel or another legal firm based upon present Town Counsel's recommendation. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

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Interim Police Chief Harrison visited the meeting and asked the Selectmen to address the mold and mildew situation in the locker room and bathroom at the station. Mr. Henry asked if project could be taken care of by Deril Fernald, town maintenance man. He reported that within the next six months that the Police Department will be moved into the space that the Assessors Offices are in and this subject will be addressed more thoroughly at that time.

DATES: May 27, Old Colony Planning Council 43rd Annual Meeting.

May 31, 2010 Memorial Day Parade Town Green 10:00 AM.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Barry DeCristofano to create a Sign By-law Committee to be in effect until next Town Meeting and disband after that. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

Members of the Sign By-law Committee: Brian Wick, Mary Lou Sayles, Dick Gauley, James Kuketz, Barry DeCristofano, and Bob Karling.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Freitas to appoint Mr. Gauley as the 43D Coordinator. Second Mr. DeCristofano. 3-0-0.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Freitas to accept as printed the Minutes of the May 17, 2010 Meeting. Second Mr. DeCristofano. 3-0-0.

CORRESPONDENCE: Town of Plympton reorganization letter.

Letter to the Town of Wareham regarding Plympton seeking to join their ETA.

Email from Halifax Town Administrator regarding "sharing" Animal Control Officer/ Dog Officer.

Plympton Finance Committee – post for two vacancies.

Plympton Finance Committee – reorganization. Mr. West, Chairman, Ms. Hart, Secretary until September 01, 2010.

United States Bankruptcy Court - Pina file.

NSTAR – herbicide spraying.

Prospect Hill Farm - Town Copied regarding "NO SPRAY FREE ZONE."

Kopelman and Paige - Memo Amendments to Family and Medical Leave Act Regulations.

Southeast Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council (SRAC) survey request.

R.E. Brown and Company Audit Firm introduction.

Bay State Gas - Forgiveness Program. Copy Council on Aging.

Comcaster Connections flver.

MEGA Risk Reminder – Safety for employees. Copy Highway.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Freitas to adjourn meeting at 8:30 PM. Second Mr. DeCristofano. 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Krance

Board of Selectmen, Secretary