

PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
April 30, 2012

Present: John P. Henry and Barry DeCristofano.
Regular meeting began at 7:00 PM
Joe Freitas joined the meeting at 7:25 PM

7:00 PM APPOINTMENT: Plympton Garden Club representative, Ms. Ami Dion visited the Board with an application for use of town green property on May 19, 2012 for the plant sale. Ms. Dion asked for permission to set-up four sandwich boards around town to announce plant sale event.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to approve Ms. Dion's request for use of town green property on May 19, 2012 for the plant sale. Second Mr. Henry. 2-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to approve the *application* for use of town green property on May 19, 2012 for the plant sale. Second Mr. Henry. 2-0-0.

7:05 PM APPOINTMENT: Town Green Renovation Committee (TGRC) candidates were present: William N. Hayes, Jr., Lorna Rankin, Kathleen J. Murphy, Steven T. Lyons, Douglas F. Reese, Jonathan S. Shaw (representing the Historic District Commission) and David F. Alberti (representing the Garden Club). Mr. Henry asked about the history of the Norway maple trees planted along the town green and plans for town green. It was reported that the Norway maples were planted twenty five years ago during the Route 58 renovation. The State has declared the Norway maple an invasive species. The tree is the first to bloom and the last to shed; drowning out and overtaking other species of trees and plantings. If there is a disease in a monoculture system, all trees will die at once. The Committee will be the first to establish a plan and recommendations for the town green in the future.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to appoint to the Town Green Renovation Committee: William N. Hayes, Jr., Lorna Rankin, Kathleen J. Murphy, Steven T. Lyons, Douglas F. Reese, Jonathan S. Shaw, and David F. Alberti until June 30, 2013. Second Mr. Henry. 2-0-0.

DATES:

Absentee Ballots for the annual Town Election are available in Town Clerk's office. Contact Town Clerk for details.

Wednesday, May 02, 2012 at 7:00 PM Capital Purpose Fund at Town House.

Tuesday, May 01, 2012 Board of Selectmen Meeting. (will not take place.)

Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 7:00 PM Annual Town Meeting at Dennett Elementary School.

Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 8:00 PM Annual Town Meeting at Dennett Elementary School.

The Board and Town Coordinator reviewed the Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrant to finalize, sign, and forward to Finance Committee.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to recommend Article 16 presented by the Community Preservation to fund an upgrade of the drainage system at the Library. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

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VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to recommend Article 17 presented by the Community Preservation to fund a detailed survey of the town's historic assets and potential National Register District nomination submitted by the Plympton Historical Commission. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to recommend Article 18 to acquire a parcel of land 10 acres or more (Messinger property) on Main Street near junction of Maple Street to create "Churchill Park at Jones River." Second Mr. Freitas for discussion. 3-0-0. Mr. Freitas stated he will not support at Town Meeting.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to recommend Article 19 to vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the parcel of land (T. L. Edwards lot) located near Main Street and Ring Road containing approximately 77 acres to the Conservation Commission. Second Mr. Freitas for discussion. 1-2. Mr. DeCristofano will support.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to not recommend Article 23 to acquire and equip a new ambulance. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to recommend all remaining Articles and ready to sign Warrant. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. Freitas to accept the Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2012 as amended, regarding a vote to appoint Town Green Renovation Committee members. Second Mr. DeCristofano. 3-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. Freitas to accept the Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2012 as amended. Second Mr. DeCristofano. 3-0-0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to accept the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2012. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

REPORTS: Mr. Pleau reported that the Norrie land PILOT Agreement is near completion and does not need to be included in the town Warrant. A copy will be available in the Town Clerk's office.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to approve the application for use of town property to the Strawberry Short Cake Racers on May 19, 2012. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission – Public Notice Hearing – "Happy Hour Regulation."
T-Band – FCC narrowbanding mandate as of January 01, 2013 has been waived indefinitely.
Inspector of Animals Certificate of Appointment to Mr. Frank Bush through April 30, 2013.

Copied: Mr. Bush and Town Clerk.

Town Accountant – payroll sheets record daily hours including vacation, sick, and holidays.

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Town of Lunenburg – request for support regarding decision from the House of Appeals.

Mr. DeCristofano will research.

Genesis Amateur Radio Society – Judith A. Harris, Vice President – Field Day June 23 and 24, 2012 (Saturday and Sunday) Plymouth Airport. Copy Police, Fire, and CERT.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to Proclaim June 18 through June 24, 2012 as Plympton's Amateur Radio Week. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

OSD Operation Services Division Massbuys EXPO Wednesday, May 02, 2012.

Chambers Advisory Group, Mr. Levey – Town's phone lines audit and contract renewal.

Email from Kopelman and Paige – Taxation of Telephone Company Poles and Wires.

Copied Assessors.

Hold the rest of correspondence till next meeting.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to adjourn meeting at 8:10 PM to enter into Executive Session meeting. Second Mr. Freitas. 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Krance

Board of Selectmen, Assistant