

PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
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January 27, 2014

Present: Joe Freitas, John Henry and Mark Russo  
The Meeting began at 7:00 PM

The Board of Selectmen met earlier, at 6:30 PM in Executive Session

The board of Selectmen did not meet Monday, January 20, 2014 (Holiday – Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Ms. Juliette Pennington, Reporter for the Boston Globe – South Section was present at the meeting.

Ms. Patricia Royal of Main Street addressed the Board regarding the Sunday newspaper article outlining the Town Complex Study developments with Reinhardt Architectural firm.

Selectman Henry briefly outlined the possible future sites for Fire and Police Stations.

- Center Street will not be considered – too small
- Present Town House property
- Maple St. and Palmer Road

Septic systems and well water will be a main concern for any future sites.

At the start of the discussion, Selectmen Russo stated that he is an abutter to the Maple Street/Palmer Road property; and on the advice of the Massachusetts Ethic Commission, left the Selectmen table to avoid appearance of conflict of interest. He returned at the end of the discussion.

At last Town Meeting, voters approved a \$50,000 study for future Town Buildings. Reinhardt Architectural firm will submit their report to the Town Complex Building Needs Study Committee. The Committee will then bring report to next Town Meeting for voters to decide.

**TOWN COORDINATOR UPDATES:**

Mr. Pleau reported that the Town House roof needs replacement at a cost of approximately \$50,000.

The Insurance Budget line will be increased by \$5,000.00 to cover new vehicles.

He asked the Board if they wanted to make any adjustments to FY15 budget lines.

**REPORTS:**

Mr. Henry reported that the Towns computer system needs to be upgraded. The cost would be \$100,000.00 and spread over a certain amount of time or be funded out of the Capital Stabilization Fund. Mr. Freitas asked for more information on subject.

The draft Medical Marijuana By-law was discussed in length. One of the main concerns is the location of any proposed site; Commercial Zone and think of site as a “drug store.”

Mr. Henry suggested the location not be in the Industrial Zone/Park or Residential/Agricultural. Regulation and Location are key components to consider in the By-Law.

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The Public Gathering/Festival draft By-law was discussed in length. The daily fine was taken into consideration. Mr. Pleau will confirm that a \$1,000.00 a day for fine is accurate.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Russo to impose a fine for 250 people or more at any Town Public Gathering/Festival. Second Mr. Henry 3/0

Mr. Freitas is waiting for a call from Comcast.

Mr. Russo reported he attend the Halifax/Carver Advisory Board Meeting on January 15, 2014 Mr. Buckley and Attorney Epstein were at the meeting as well. Mr. Russo will attend their next Advisory Board meeting and report back to Board.

**CORRESPONDENCE READ BY CLERK:**

*Filed in Selectmen Assistant's office unless noted otherwise:*

Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project Report for 2013 – for Annual Town Report.

(an electronic version will be requested)

Two photo submissions for cover of Town Report 2013. Mr. Freitas asked if anyone in the viewing audience had a picture of the Barn Restaurant that was on Center Street.

Tallage, LLC – Mass Municipal Tax Lien Investment Company – services.

SLRSD Strategic Plan School Committee – Mr. Russo took for review.

U.S Senator Elizabeth Warren – calendar for 2014

Plymouth County Commissioners – Cooperative Procurement for paper for copiers.

MEGA – Risk Reminders – The Hazards of Fatigue.

Old Colony Planning Council – Minutes of December 04, 2013

Selectmen's Secretary – Request to Departments/Boards/Committees for Annual Reports – due By February 20, 2014. Submissions for cover of photo for Town Report as well.

Community Preservation Committee – report for projects for consideration:

1. Plympton Historical Society seeking \$13,000 for purchase and installation for a chairlift.
2. Plympton Recreation Commission seeking \$15,000 to renovate the "Winnetuxet Swimming Hole" transform into a fishing pond and provide boat access to river.

Carver Zoning board of Appeals – January 09, 2014

Best Buddies Challenge bicycle ride through Town Saturday, May 31, 2014. The Board did not Sign and will wait for Chief Dillon and Chief Borsari's approval.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Russo to approve the Best Buddies Challenge bicycle ride through Town, Saturday, May 31, 2014 subject to Chief Dillon and Chief Borsari's approval. Second Mr. Henry 3/0

Plympton School Committee/Capital Improvement Sub-Committee letter (via email)  
Location for primary site for Plympton residents' emergency shelter. The Board discussed this briefly and stated Fire Chief Borsari is working with the Town of Kingston and Silver Lake Regional High School. The Board will meet with Chief Borsari to discuss and report back to Plympton School Committee/Capital Improvement Sub-Committee.

Nextera Energy Supplier – rate increase.

*This concludes correspondence.*

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

Nothing to report tonight.

**DATES:**

Monday, February 03, 2014 Executive Session 6:00 PM Contract #2

Monday, February 03, 2014 7:00 PM State Representative Thomas Calter

***Annual Town Warrant closes, Monday, March 31, 2014 at 8:00 PM***

**REPORTS CONITINUED:**

Mr. Henry reported that two or three years ago, the Board created a Committee to inventory the present town owned land. In Mr. Henry's report he suggested:

- Land behind Upland Road abutting Dennett property is put into Conservation
- Sell approximately ten out of the thirty parcels – with approval at Town Meeting
- Land locked pieces – offer to abutters.

Mr. Henry also suggested land swaps for future Police and Fire Stations sites.

Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2014 will be reviewed at next Meeting.

**VOTED:** Motion made by Mr. Russo to adjourn meeting at 8:40 PM Second Mr. Henry 3/0

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Krance, Board of Selectmen, Assistant

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