

PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
February 11, 2013

Present: John Henry, Joe Freitas and Barry DeCristofano
Meeting began at 7:00 PM

7:00 PM APPOINTMENT: Conservation Commission, Open Space Committee, Community Preservation Commission

The Community Meeting Room was full to capacity for the meeting. Many residents attended the meeting for companionship and warmth, as well as attending the 7:00 PM appointment. The Town was still without electrical power since Friday, February 8, 2013 from the Blizzard Nemo. The Town House generator was supplying electrical power to the Town House offices in order for the meeting to take place.

There were several different Committees and Members in attendance at the Selectmen Meeting. Ms. Linda Leddy of the Conservatin Commission and Open Space Committee gave a presentation on the Churhill Park Site. Ms. Leddy requested an extension on the Purchase and Sales agreement due to an unexpected obscure IRS hold on the land. Ms. Leddy noted that the "Church Hill Park at the Jones River Brook" is actually 10.8 acres.

Ms. Leddy presented:

- A handout to Board "Draft Outline of Permitting Process for Churchill Park
- Budget – Churchill park implementation
- Original *Second Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement*, ----, 2013 (June 06, 2012 and extended by mutual agreement on August 6, 2012) on file in Selectmen's Office
- State GIS maps gave more clarity to the topography of land
- Town Committees have been actively communicating with Mass Endangered Species Act, Department of Environmental Quality and Americans With Disabilities Act regarding compliance with Local and State regulations
- The Churchill Park area is not within a conserved area on the MESA map and will not have to go through the National Heritage Program for permitting
- Expert consultants will aide in the laying out of trails and building the board walk

(For more information – see Halifax/Plympton Reporter's commentary in the February 22, 2013 Edition.)

Mr. Henry questioned the MESA findings on the spotted box turtles and the ADA compliancy.

Mr. DeCristofano agreed that all Committees are diligently working and communicating on the Churchill Park project.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. Freitas to sign the extension on the Purchase and Sale Agreement on behalf of the Town, with an expiration date of September 01, 2013
Second Mr. DeCristofano. 2/0/1.

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8:00 PM APPOINTMENT Mr. Jon Wilhelmsen stressed the importance of present website contents to include the historical pages and content become part of the new website with VTS. The Board thanked Mr. Wilhelmsen for building and maintaining the Town website for the past ten years. The Board expressed the need for Town Departments and Committees to be able to have more direct accessibility to the new Town website. They Board also thanked Mr. Pleau for coordinating the new Town Website project. Mr. DeCristofano stated he will contact the current website host, Fishnet Media.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to appoint Ms. Karen Foye to the Cable Advisory until June 30, 2016. Second Mr. Freitas. 3/0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Memo – Finance Committee Reserve Fund Policy and new application form.

Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee Agenda for February 14, 2013

Reschedule of the February 09, 2013 Zoning By-laws/Land Use Workshop sponsored by Town Council.

DATES:

February 18, 2013 – President's Day. Town offices will be closed.

Next Board of Selectmen Meeting, Monday, February 25, 2013.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to accept the Meeting Minutes of February 04, 2013. Second Mr. Freitas. 3/0.

VOTED: Motion made by Mr. DeCristofano to adjourn Meeting at 8:50 PM Second Mr. Freitas. 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Krance,
Board of Selectmen, Assistant