

PLYMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
October 22, 2012

Attendees: John Henry and Barry DeCristofano

Absent: Joe Freitas

The Board met at 7:00 p.m. for its regular weekly meeting.

A discussion about the status and composition of the Town Building Needs Study Committee began the meeting. Regarding the status, Mr. Pleau tendered his resignation from the committee and the Board accepted it (motion – Mr. DeCristofano, second – Mr. Henry; 2-0-1)

Mr. Henry asked if Mr. DeCristofano was prepared to vote on appointments for three residents that have volunteered – Jack Doyle, Bill Slater and Jim McQuiggan. Mr. DeCristofano stated that he wasn't. He pointed out that over the last couple of meetings, he had made two suggestions about the committee composition. One was to appoint Mr. Wilhelmsen (at the recommendation of the existing committee members) and then to expand the committee to five members (at the request of Mr. Henry and Mr. Freitas). That was rejected and that meeting abruptly ended. The second suggestion made the following week was to appoint himself to the committee, finish-out the preliminary work and report to the Board for future direction at that time. That suggestion was not responded to.

Mr. DeCristofano stated that at the least, he wanted to talk with the other candidates to find out what their views of the committee's purpose was and how they were planning to approach the work. It was agreed to take up the discussion of the committee's composition at a subsequent meeting.

Regarding the status of the committee's work, Mr. Prescott and Ms. Ossoff presented the Board with a mission statement they had written. It was read aloud and the Board agreed that it captured the goals that the Board has in mind for the work to be done. Regarding an earlier draft report of the committee that considered hiring a firm to write an RFP for an architectural firm to create a design concept, they reported that further conversations with other towns about their experiences has now inclined them to feel that we can do the RFP in-house.

Next, the Board made appointments to the Ambulance Study Committee. To date, only Mr. West had been appointed. On a motion by Mr. DeCristofano and a second by Mr. Henry, the Board voted 2-0-1 to appoint Christa Prescott, Jim Mulchahy, Justin Silva and Jeff Marani to the committee.

The Board signed a letter of thanks to an anonymous donor of \$1000 to the library. motion – Mr. DeCristofano, second – Mr. Henry, vote 2-0-1.

The Board signed a contract with Colleen Thompson to continue her in the position of Treasurer/Tax Collector. motion – Mr. DeCristofano, second – Mr. Henry, vote 2-0-1.

Mr. Pleau reported that he was in the process of getting recent audit reports to the bank as prelude to finalizing the financing of the new pumper truck for the Fire Department. The bank has also offered to refinance our exist loan on the last truck we purchased. He will pursue that further.

The Board voted to accept the minutes of their October 15th meeting as printed. motion – Mr. DeCristofano, second – Mr. Henry, vote 2-0-1.

At 8:10 p.m., the Board adjourned on a motion by Mr. DeCristofano, second – Mr. Henry. 2-0-1

Respectfully submitted,
Barry DeCristofano
Selectman