

MIDDLEFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Middlefield Town Hall

June 7, 2010

Present: Robert Gazda , Noreen Suriner, Larry Pease

Others:-Joe Kearns, Terry Walker, Wally Smith, Sherri Vendetti, Maureen Sullivan, Cathy Roth, Marge Batorski, Jay Swift, Laurie Lafrenier, Skip Savery, Susan Baker-Donnelly, Judy Hoag

- Meeting opened 7:30 p.m.
- Cathy Roth “Middlefield Heritage Society” The society grew out of the first Middlefield “Heritage Days” and has become a non-profit organization, which can receive grants. They have been looking at the mile corridor “Concentration of historic homes” Cathy submitted a map which shows the corridor beginning at Bill Denault’s home to 187 Skyline Trail, and proceeds up Bell Rd. to the fairgrounds. “See attached” Two public meetings with Bonny Parsons “PVPC” .have occurred. 2/3rd of the property owners in this corridor attended one or the other meeting, and have shown tremendous support. If a majority of property owners do not favor it, they need to make that official by having a notarized letter sent to the Mass. Historic Commission, National Registered District is a no-restriction designation. Benefits: Helps honor our history; tax benefits to encourage business; grants. The MHC will send an official letter to every property owner to inform them that this has gone from public meetings to this step. Noreen made a motion to support the efforts of the Heritage Society to create a National Register District. Larry Pease seconded the motion. All were in favor. Cathy will call the commission to get the exact wording which is needed to support the district. The BOS will then send their letter of support.
- Letter received from Nan Dugan, re: dog complaints to be filed. Agriculture Committee has visited property to inspect fence being erected. Fence should be completed by June 13. The Agric. Com. will re-visit after completion and report back to the BOS. Noreen has received correspondence from Nancy Graham, which establishes a process for requesting hearings for nuisance dogs. This shall be filed with dog regulations.
- Discussion re: maintenance of town’s buildings in center of town ensued. Bob requested a letter from the COA asking the BOS to investigated possibility of grant funding, and other sources in order to accomplish this.
- Susan Baker-Donnelly submitted written request for the BOS to make new appointments to the COA. Larry Pease made a motion to appoint Cathy Roth & Ed Vivier to the COA. Noreen Suriner seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- BOS requested that Marge Batorski present a list of 5 Historical Committee members to be appointed.to the BOS.
- Bob requested a posting of a list of appointments in the annual report, requesting individuals interested in maintaining or adding their names as potential

appointees, to please let the BOS know no later than June 28. Incumbents need not apply.

- Discussion of item being added to special town meeting warrant re: settlement in order to avoid litigation. 2nd special town meeting to be scheduled for July 12th @ 8:00 p.m.
- A public records request log will be established. Who is making the request, date of request and a listing of requested items under the BOS's control will be duly noted. Files also need to be secured with 2 sets of keys.
- Request for business licenses brought up. BOS will review zoning by-law before signing licenses.
- BOS read June 29, '09, June 22, '09, May 24, '10 minutes, approved and signed.
- Bob entertained a motion to appoint Amy Jasmine as an alternate representative to Wired-West Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
- Beaver problem discussed. A price to trap and remove beavers was quoted at \$750. Other alternatives to solve this problem will be investigated.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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