

MIDDLEFIELD SELECT BOARD MEETING

Middlefield Town Hall

March 28, 2011

Present: Noreen Suriner (Chair) Mitch Feldmesser Alan Vint

- Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.
- Minutes of March 21, 2011 were read. Alan made a motion to accept the minutes with amendments. Mitch seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered.
- David Dinicola requested that the Select Board sign a letter stating that Scott Will has disconnected his sewer and water lines. The Select Board signed this.
- Tom Austin informed the Select Board that permission was given to a former resident to perform Community service for the town. Discussion ensued on 911 dispatches difference in cost by using Northampton instead of Berkshire Jail. Matter will be looked into.
- Appointment of Large Animal Inspector discussed. Mary Wheeler described duties involved for position. Discussion ensued. Alan made a motion to re-appoint Mary Wheeler as Large Animal Inspector. Noreen seconded the motion. Mitch abstained from voting. Vote was 2-1. So Ordered.
- Erica Johnson (PVPC) requested that the Select Board give their approval to go ahead on the roof design plan for the COA. Discussion ensued. Alan moved that we approve the document. Mitch seconded it. All were in favor. So Ordered.
- Skip Savery submitted Matt Radwich's resignation from the highway department. Discussion ensued. Mitch made a motion to accept Matt Radwich's resignation. Alan seconded the motion. All were reluctantly in favor. So Ordered.
- Discussion ensued concerning warrants. Jane will call Suzanne on Tuesday morning to find out if warrants were approved at the Select Board's meeting before the checks are issued.
- Noreen announced that Joe Kearns will receive the Grace and Calvin Coolidge Public Service Award.
- A suggestion from Paul Tacy (Building Inspector) to combine Plumbing, Gas and Electrical inspections in one package was addressed. Select Board is in favor of this.
- Select Board received two petitions that were requested to be put on the town warrant at the annual town meeting. Discussion ensued. According to town bylaws, articles must be presented to the Select Board not later than 45 days prior to Town Meeting. These petitions were presented 41 days prior to Town Meeting, therefore will not be include in the Warrant. Secretary will notify warrant submitter.
- The Finance Committee submitted Annual Town Warrant draft. Discussion ensued. Alan made a motion to recommend that the town raise and appropriate \$5,000 to establish a reserve fund (Article 12) Mitch seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered. Finance comm. will be updating Warrant next week and again the week after.
- Discussion on Wired West. Noreen will check into having a Wired West representative be at the pre-town meeting to answer questions.
- Alan reported on Town's Counsel Advice to put Artioli's petition on the town warrant verbatim. Alan made a motion to have the Planning Board get a legal opinion about the Artioli petition. Mitch seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered.
- Secretary asked to contact MIIA representative re. MIIA's current partnership with Cor Vel Corp.
- Secretary asked to contact Charlie Hunter to follow-up on fee schedule.
- Noreen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Alan seconded the motion. All were in favor. So Ordered.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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