

SELECTBOARD MINUTES
NOVEMBER 7, 2016

Meeting opened at 6:00pm

Present: David DiNicola, Chair; Denis Basak
Duane Pease, Town Administrator (TA)

Warrants reviewed and signed; Payroll: \$17,705.61; Expenses: \$15,828.79.

Prior S/B minutes approved on motion by Dave, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0.

Planning Board member Doreen Black addresses board on need for two additional members as PB only has 3 members at this time and full board is 5 members. They need to fill board as they are continuing the work on the Village Center District and would like to see it on the ballot for the Annual Town Meeting. Pioneer Valley Planning Commission had been helping in developing this By-Law. Also, Doreen advised the previous board had most of this information on their own computers and she just has a hard copy of their work. Howard Knickerbocker volunteered to convert the hard copy to Word if they will get it to him. He also said this should be vetted by Town Counsel.

Animal control Officer, Terry Donovan, told the Board that Cynthia Lapa's dog was loose again and went after a resident that was walking his dog. She was able to capture the dog and currently has it in her kennel. Terry "tagged" Lapa's gate advising her that she had the dog and also contacted her attorney, Vic Anop. There is a \$25 fine for picking up the loose dog and a \$20 a day boarding fee.

Terry next asked the Board to make a determination on the Burner dogs. There was a hearing held in the Spring, there have been no incidents reported to her since. The prior situation was explained to Denis as he was not on the board at the time of the hearing. After a brief discussion, Dave motioned to not cite the dogs as "nuisance" dogs, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0.

GTAC and Hilltown Collaborative were briefly discussed. There will be a Community Compact meeting at Stanton Hall in Huntington on 11/15 and ELON will be holding an Open House on 11/39 in Stanton Hall. This will allow resident input and also explains what has been done to date and plans for the future development of the area.

T/A explained the MIIA seminar on the Police and Fire Coverage that was present by MIIA on Nov. 2nd at the Hotel Northampton. Fire Chief Ron Radwich also attended the seminar.

Legal and Interisle bills associated with the Pilot Program were discussed next. Board approved the July and August legal bills and both bills submitted by Interisle, \$8,300 and \$2,800 on a motion by Dave, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0. TA will send to Sean Cunningham at MBI for their review.

Wireless Pilot Program was discussed next. Dave felt all the date presented was not correct and he wants to make sure all the future funding will be available to the Town before he moves forward on the project. Denis said the info contained in the project was correct but the cost of the pad for the tower extremely high and went way over what was budgeted for the pad. Dave said the readiness for the project was not completed and Denis disagreed and said it was and that was why the Town received the money for the Pilot Program and that the Town was committed to the Pilot and that is all that is the concern for now. Dave wants to look forward and figure out what funds will be needed for the completed build-out and that we don't have enough funding from

MBI to complete it. Denis stated additional funding after the Pilot is completed would have to go through the readiness program but the Town is committed to the Pilot. An alternate to the monopole would be to install a guyed tower which is much less expensive but Dave was not sure that tower would comply with the Zoning By-Laws and is not going forward at this time. Denis reiterated he does not think the Town has to seek MBI approval for the Pilot expenses. Dave wants estimates and factual data before he will go forward and if necessary, he would become the Construction Manager with no fee for the project. Dave was not sure how much the Town could save by doing some of the work on the project and then put some of the remaining work out to bid. They did agree that a firm estimate for a guyed tower should be obtained.

Howard Knickerbocker asked if this project had to pay the prevailing wage and was advised it did.

Dave motioned to adjourn the Selectboard meeting and go into a brief board of Health meeting, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0 and Selectboard meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

Board of Health meeting opened at 7:42pm with all present.

Issue for BOH meeting was a failed Title 5 soil test at 175 Chipman Road. Health Agent (HA), Jackie Duda, requested the Board rule that any failed test require the HA be present at any retest. She is a qualified soil evaluator. Dave motioned to require HA attendance with a fee charge of up to \$100, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0. TA to advise ha of decision.

Dave motioned to adjourn BOH and Selectboard meeting, Denis 2nd; vote 2-0 and meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Duane Pease
Town Administrator

Minutes accepted with/without changes by:

David DiNicola, Chair

Denis Basak