

**Town of Milton
Board of Selectmen Meeting**

Milton Town Hall
Monday September 19, 2016
Public Meeting Minutes

Selectman Gray called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and welcomed everyone.

Members in Attendance: Tom Gray, Andy Rawson, Mike Beaulieu

Also in Attendance: Heather Thibodeau, Town Administration Kathy Wallingford, Assessing Director and Michelle Beauchamp, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Chief Richard Krauss, Karen Brown, Rec Director, Pat Smith, Highway Director, Kim Ladisheff, Wade Foss, Smith, Gordy Maness, Betsy Baker, Butch Nason, Shawn Donnell, Luther Ellis, and Andy Margargee,

Public in Attendance: Pam Smith, Diane Foss, Doreen Valente Gray, Linda Kane, Ryan Thibeault, David Theroux, Larry Brown, John Katwick, Stan Nadeau, Steve Elliot, Linda Kane and Bob Carrier

Selectman Gray made a motion to go into non-public under 91A:3, II (c) and 91A:II (d), at 5:30 Selectman Rawson Second the motion. Motion carried.

Selectman Gray stated there was discussion with legal counsel in non-public session and called the meeting to order at 6:10.

The Pledge of allegiance was recited.

New Business

Computers in Town Hall

Discussion of computers in the Town Hall was tabled until the next meeting, the Board would like the Town's IT DJ Grieb to be in attendance of the meeting.

DPW – Pat Smith

Selectman Tom Gray presented to Pat Smith, Highway Director a plaque for his 20 years of outstanding service to the Town of Milton.

Capital Improvements Program

Selectman Gray read letters of recommendation from the Planning Board supporting the CIP program. The Board members received a copy of the CIP program for their review and recommendation.

2016 Dog Warrants

Police Chief Richard Krauss informed the Board of Selectmen the Town has 10 remaining unserved dog citations and 5 arrest warrants for court. Chief Krauss credits the low count of citations and warrants to the Town Clerk Michelle Beauchamp and her hard work in notifying residents.

Donation of Milton Mills Cemetery

Selectman Gray read letters from the Planning Board and Conservation Commission supporting the acceptance of the donation of the Milton Mills Cemetery from the Milton Mills Cemetery Association. Selectman Gray explained that the Town now needs to hold two public hearing regarding the donation and will advise when they will be.

Selectmen Comments

Selectman Rawson briefly discussed the selling of the Old Fire Station, and having the property appraised. Selectman Gray will work with the Town Administrator regarding the Old Station.

Selectman Rawson mention the Recreation Department is working on the annual Trunk & Treat and a date and time will be announced. If anyone would like to help with the Trunk & Treat please contact the Recreation Director Karen Brown.

Selectman Rawson updated the progress at the new ballfield. Fred Cameron has completed the seeding of the ball field, the irrigation has been hookup and we have only 60 calendar left to sell. Many thanks to everyone who has done donations Fred Camron, Paey Brothers, John Katwick, Pat Smith and other private donation. We estimate another \$25,000 will be need to complete the project and will not receive any financial help from the School Department, we will have to continue with our fund raising to complete the project.

Administrator Comments

TA Heather Thibodeau updated the Board on the budget preparation and progress of the 2017 Budget. The recent positive department head meeting, and the hopes to have more than one meeting a month. Once budget season is done, TA Thibodeau would like to meeting with department heads and start working on the new Employees Handbook. She also thanked Chief Krauss for all his help with her computer and all the issues.

Selectmen Comments

Selectman Beaulieu updated the progress of the New Fire Station, Chief Marique and provided him with a list of people who had made donations to the fire department. Selectman Beaulieu wanted to thank the generosity of Laars Heating Systems, and resident Mark Hughes for 2 boilers estimated value \$9,000, Ronnie's Johnnies, Sebastian Septic, Ron Sebastian, for 2 portable toilets estimated value, Mi-Te-Jo Camp Grounds, Susan Marique for the 30 foot flag pole and flag estimated value \$1,900.00.

Betsy Baker introduced Linda Kane to the Board. Linda was there to represent the Liberty Chapel Congressional Church outreach program and a donation of a piece of playground equipment (swing set) for the Library, this has already been reviewed by the Library Trustees. The Board expressed their thanks and appreciation for the donation, the Board asked to make sure that the equipment met Primex Insurance requirements. Consideration needs to be given to the setup and location on the property.

Selectman Gray discussed the social media policies they had received from other communities and would like to have them reviewed and discussed at the October 17th, 2016 Board Meeting. TA Heather Thibodeau informed the Board the Municipal Association was holding a work shop on social media policies and she would send them the dates. The Board can hold a after the Municipal work shop.

Selectmen Gray revisited a discussion at the previous meeting regarding current permits use by departments, the Board would like to review all permits to determine if there need to be revised.

Selectman Gray stated that with the new fire station being built it is time to give consideration to the use of the old fire station. Do we change the use of the building, auction it or sell the building, it is time to review all avenue of the building.

Selectman Gray also revisited the discussion with Russell Neil regarding renewable energy and tax incentives and that the Board should move forward regarding creating a Selectmen Warrant Article to go on the 2017 ballot.

Selectman Gray also stated that there wasn't minutes to be approved, the new recording clerk had submitted the minutes in an unapproved format and that minutes were being corrected for approval for the next Board meeting. At this time the minutes we will be tabled.

Public Comment:

Ryan Thibeault wanted to remind the Board of the safety issues regarding the retaining wall at 3 Pond Auto.

Chief Marique asked the Board to make a motion to accept the donations to the Fire Department.

Selectman Beaulieu made a motion to accept the donations from Laars Heating systems, Ronnie Johnnie and Mi Te Jo Camp made to the fire station as previously stated. Selectman Rawson second. Motion carried.

Closed Public Comment.

Other Business:

Chief Krauss informed the Board the Police Department had received the Highway Safety Grant for \$4500.00 to purchase equipment for the police cruisers which will work with the MBT System which will go live next year. The department's cost toward the grant will be \$1125.00 which will be covered by the installation and training. The Chief asked for the Board's to accept and sign the grant.

Selectman Rawson made a motion to accept the grant as stated. Selectman Beaulieu seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Chairman recognized David Theroux, Mr. Theroux said he would like to speak to the Board in nonpublic, Chairman Gray ask him to meet with the TA Thibodeau to setup a meeting at the next Board's meeting. Mr. Theroux said he would.

Closed other business.

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Selectman Beaulieu made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 PM. Selection Rawson seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Date Approved:

Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen: _____

Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Tom F. Gray

James Michael Beaulieu

Andrew O. Rawson