

Town of Milton
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 19, 2014
Milton Town Hall
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Chairman Tom F. Gray, Selectman Robert L. Bridges, Selectman James Michael Beaulieu, Town Administrator Elizabeth Dionne.

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

T. Gray moved at 5:30pm to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3,II,a&c. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.

T. Gray moved at 6:06pm to exit nonpublic session. Motion seconded by B. Bridges. Motion carried.

Chairman Gray called the open meeting to order at 6:06pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public in attendance: Larry Brown, Lue Snyder, Farmington Town Clerk/Tax Collector Kathy Seaver, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Michelle Beauchamp.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Department: Discussion ensued regarding each town hiring an employee from the other Town's TC/TX Department. One day per week, part-time basis. This would allow for assistance with each other when needed as there would be someone trained from Farmington to work in Milton and vice versa. All agreed standard hiring practices would be done in Milton. Consensus to proceed with M. Beauchamp meeting with the Town Administrator to review what has to be done for hiring proceeding with this.

Reval Appraisal Bid Recommendation: Assessing Clerk K. Wallingford presented the Board with her recommendation on the reval bids received and opened at the last meeting. Recommendation is Corcoran Consulting Associates, Inc at \$77,000.00. This reval bid does not include annual assessing services regarding abatements and things of that nature, which is a separate from the reval bid. B. Bridges moved to approve Corcoran Consulting at \$77,000.00. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.

Recreation Commission appointment of School Board Rep: B. Bridges moved to appoint Lue Snyder as the School Board Representative to the Recreation Commission until after the elections in March 2014. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried. T. Gray conducted the oath of office to Lue Snyder.

Approval of Minutes:

- January 17, 2014. B. Bridges moved to approve. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.
- February 3, 2014. B. Bridges moved to approve. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.
- February 3, 2014 Nonpublic. B. Bridges moved to approve and seal indefinitely. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.

Administrator Comments: E. Dionne reported on the following:

- **Town Reports:** Board was looking at ordering fewer town reports and requested prices. 600 reports=\$2,816.00, 500 reports=\$2,390.00. The Board will order 500 this year instead of 600.
- **Trustee of Trust Funds resignation:** Lisa Stewart, Chair of Trustees of Trust Funds has retired. Draft vacancy notice discussed and agreed upon. Consensus to send Lisa Stewart a thank you letter for her years of service.
- **Voters Guide:** Assessing Department inquiring on date of mailing 3/3/14 or 3/5/14. Consensus 3/3/14.
- **End of probation increase:** E. Dionne asked the board to think about a standard end of probation increase such as a certain amount or a percentage for all departments to use. Currently it's not standard.

Selectmen Comments:

- **Library fire escape stairs – fire memo:** B. Bridges addressed the internal memo from the Fire Prevention Captain pertaining to the Milton Free Public Library fire escape stairs in that it should've gone through the Chief first. Also, that it would not be included in any future documents or reports, but would be used in a synopsis format if needed.
- **Hopper Road:** B. Bridges requested an update from the Code Enforcement Officer Brian Boyers on the foreclosed and dilapidated house on Hopper Road.
- **Varney Road and Rocky Point Road:** B. Bridges requested the letter regarding illegal signs and locks on Varney Road be sent to Joe Poussard instead of an abutting property owner. Also requested the letter be sent out to Rocky Point.
- **Library egress bid:** M. Beaulieu requested B. Bridges rescind his 1/18/14 motion to accept bid from Eric Leblanc on the repair work. B. Bridges moved to rescind his motion from 1/18/14 to accept bid from Eric Leblanc for repair work. Motion seconded by T. Gray. Motion carried. M. Beaulieu advised Mills Construction hasn't submitted required paperwork.
- **Debit Card swipe device:** M. Beaulieu inquired as to the status of this device for the Town Beach and the Transfer Station. E. Dionne advised the Treasurer is looking at different options. Discussion ensued on the real issue being lack of staff on site. Having a debit card swipe won't eliminate time or problems.
- **Energy grant:** M. Beaulieu mentioned the energy grant notice possibly being used for the Town Hall furnace. E. Dionne explained the PSNH energy efficiency grant is more for electrical items such as electric heat, changing light bulbs to LED types, etc. M. Beaulieu advised the Town Hall furnace may be in need of some serious repairs or replacement.
- **Ice Hockey:** M. Beaulieu advised he's thinking of starting an ice hockey league through the Recreation Department for high school and early 20 age group. Lue Snyder advised currently there are hockey teams using the basketball courts. Indoor hockey, no skates.
- **Leather Board Factory:** M. Beaulieu inquired as to the status of the vacant building which used to be the Leather Board Factory and if it could be used for something. T. Gray advised there were some environmental issues with it and he doesn't believe it can be converted into anything.
- **Golf Course:** M. Beaulieu asked the board if they were aware of a new golf course being built in Middleton. The board was aware.
- **Town House membership:** T. Gray advised the Town House Committee had nominated M. Beaulieu for an advisory position on the board and requested BOS appointment. B. Bridges questioned two selectmen on the same committee. T. Gray advised, T. Gray is a voting member and M. Beaulieu is not. Beaulieu is part of the advisory committee. B. Bridges

moved to appoint M. Beaulieu as an advisory member of the Town House Committee. Motion seconded by T. Gray. Motion carried. M. Beaulieu abstained.

- Bass Finatics: T. Gray presented the board with a plaque from Bass Finatics for the Town's support in 2013. Plaque will be hung up in the Town Hall.

Public Comments:

Larry Brown suggested some wording for a thank you letter to be issued; suggested a master listing of all boards with all positions and expiration dates for the Town Clerk; Suggested a \$50.00 administrative charge for those refusing to buy their transfer station sticker; regarding the Middleton golf course look to Northeast Pond Road; regarding Town Hall Furnace devices may be added to assist with heating by C.L.Doke; regarding the Miltonia factory it may be recreated into an historical exhibit and how to gain access across the river.

T. Gray moved at 7:20pm to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3,II,c&e. Motion seconded by B. Bridges. Motion carried.

T. Gray moved at 8:06pm to exit nonpublic session. Motion seconded by B. Bridges. Motion carried.

B. Bridges moved to not divulge the nonpublic session indefinitely. Motion seconded by M. Beaulieu. Motion carried.

T. Gray moved to adjourn at 8:10pm. Motion seconded by B. Bridges. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Dionne, Town Administrator

Chairman Tom F. Gray

Robert L. Bridges

James Michael Beaulieu