

Town of Milton  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
October 2, 2017  
Milton Town Hall  
Meeting Minutes

**In Attendance:** Selectmen Chair Andrew Rawson, Mike Beaulieu, Ryan Thibeault, Town Administrator Heather Thibodeau.

**Public in Attendance:** Peg Hurd, Bob Carrier, Richard Krauss, Nick Marquie, Shawn Perreault, Erin Zajicek, Tom McDougal, Lennet McDougal, Karen Golab, Denis Wing, Bob Graham

Chairman Rawson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Acknowledgements**

- **Birthdays**
  - Nick Marique
  - Norrene Nason
  - Sam Morrill
  - Roger Moulton
  - George Stevens
  - Dawson Libby
- **Passing**
  - Donald Faulkingham

### **OLD BUSINESS – Discussions and possible Action**

- None

### **NEW BUSINESS – Discussions and Possible Actions:**

- **Public swearing in and badging of officers**
  - Ryan Clark holds a master's degree in criminal justice; he is currently in the part-time academy.
  - Devin Pagea has been with the town since 2002 as a member of the Milton Fire Department and holds the rank as assistant Chief; he will be attending the full-time academy in December.
- **Erin Zajicek**
  - **Petition to close Dawson Street for Halloween night.**

He stated that he moved to Milton in 2015 and loves the area, the only thing that he has a problem with is on Halloween night they had no idea what to expect for their children, it seems that the kids all come on their street and the area and the traffic is horrendous at night. They said that last year there were two incidents where kids almost got hit, so

they are trying to see if they can get the road closed for 4-5 hours on Halloween night just to accommodate the kids trick a treating.

Chief Krauss recommendation is to never allow a single entity shutting down one of their roads without an insurance bidder protecting the town and the other residents of the town from any civil liability that may come out of one of their flaggers who may not be NH State Flagger certified. The concern is that if one road is closed they are opening themselves up to others wanting roads closed and this could cause more problems with traffic being moved to other roads where there are trick a treaters. It was suggested that maybe if there are people that are going to help they should help the kids across the streets instead of closing roads. Chief Krauss said that he will have a few men on duty that night to help. R. Thibeault stated that he hears everyone's concerns and he wanted to thank them for putting this together and coming in and proposing it. It is hard to get people involved and it is great to see that they came up with an idea and they put it in front of the board and they definitely need more of that. R. Thibeault is hoping that they can work together in the future and on this. R. Thibeault does agree with the Chief about liability issues that are a concern as they are here to look out for the liability of the town. He thinks if they can all work together to come to a resolution of them assisting kids crossing the roads, his other concern is with shutting streets down, it is going to set a precedent so where does it end. Sounds like the rest of the board may feel the same way. M. Beaulieu said that once they get this plan together, he will volunteer his time between the times to be one of the flaggers. A. Rawson said that they can post a meeting and he will do the same as M. Beaulieu. A. Rawson also mentioned that the town is doing a trunk a treat; this is something that they do every year at the Milton Town Beach, it will be held on October 21<sup>st</sup> and the rain date will be the 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-8, there is a trunk a treat contest, pumpkin decorating contest, plenty of goodies to go around. Flyers will be circulating around town and on the town website by the end of the week.

- **Shawn Perreault**

- **Request the BOS grant Budget Committees request to receive fiscal information in PDF & CSV format.**

S. Perreault just wanted to close the loop, this was brought up at another selectmen's meeting and he was told to go back to the Budget Committee to figure out as a committee what it was they wanted, the Budget committee passed the motion 7-1 to formally request, request not demand, that the forms go to the budget committee in PDF and CSV format.

**Motion:**

R. Thibeault motioned that the Board of Selectmen grants the town to give the Budget Committee the fiscal information in PDF and CSV format, Seconded by M. Beaulieu.

**Roll Call:**

M. Beaulieu (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), A. Rawson (Yes), Motion carried 3-0

- **Tom McDougal – (2 Items)**

- **Follow up on permitting/Rockwall drafted 6/22/17**

T. McDougal said that he had asked the board to look into the process that cause the issue to begin with and he has not seen any outcome, he is asking what has been done

to help correct it so that they reduce the likely hood of this happening again. M. Beaulieu said that he knows that the code enforcement office has been doing some work on that and one of the documents that they just came up with; one was a stop work order. M. Beaulieu handed the board and T. McDougal a small packet, the first page was the form for the stop work order and the documents that follow are right out of the code book which goes through everything from the permit process, stop work order and all the duties that involve the code officer.

- **Publically available site where the performance of the Solar Garden can be viewed.**  
H. Thibodeau sent T. McDougal a link, the link is [www.solarview.com](http://www.solarview.com). T. McDougal said that he had looked at it when he got the link.

- **Karen Golab**

- **Discussion of property tax map 41, Lots 68-11-68-15.**

Cynthia Wyatt handed the board some information. She discussed how in 2016 the town voted to place a conservation easement on the 73 acres; it was a very favorable vote 638 for-281 not, this is an indication that Milton supports conservation land. Since they have the authority now to go and find a land trust to hold the easement they invited Moose Mountain Regional Greenway trust which is a local land trust to come and talk about the project. They did a site walk, they also attended a conservation commission meeting which was a joint meeting with the Casey road subcommittee, this meeting was an informational meeting. About a month ago the Casey road subcommittee of the conservation commission, had Moose Mountain Regional Greenway in there office, they had some really good suggestions about the tract. C. Wyatt said that as the board can see on the map adjacent to the 73 acres is a defunk sub-division which is about 5.5 acres, and surrounding that is also a town owned conservation parcel, the developer of the Sub-Division donated a conservation easement to the town, taxes where not paid by the home owners association so the town has taken that conservation piece. Moose Mountain Regional Greenway suggested that they see if the town would support revoking this sub-division so that defunk sub-division can become part of the project. Some of the compelling reasons to do this is, if they look at the map she pointed out highly eroded soils, so where this sub-division is very steep and highly erodible soil, so as they can see those highly erodible soil flowed down towards to a couple of brooks, so from a conservation perspective it would be very wise to the town to not allow disturbance of that highly avoidable soils. If they include this tract now instead of later it does not add any additional cost to the project, if they added it later it would add significate costs. It would also make this property easier to monitor, when a conservation easement goes on a property and is handed off to a land trust it is there responsibility to monitor it forever. So they are looking for the boards support on revoking the sub-division.

A. Rawson said that at the end of the day this would be a win win situation.

P. Hurd said that they had a wonderful presentation at the school board meeting from the conservation commission because they wanted to know if the school would be interested in some sort of educational there, the school was behind it and whatever they can do, volunteers, high school kids for cleaning or clearing because they all need community service.

The Board is in favor of this.

- **Dennis Wing**

- **Policy discussion of advertising signs/banners at Town Beach fence.**

D. Wing said that about 10 days ago he came into the town hall to get some information about putting up a banner/signs on the fence at the town beach, but he never received an answer because neither the town administrator or K. Brown were there at the time, so he put in the agenda for the Selectmen meeting and the next day K. Brown brought down an application to D. Wing's wife's shop so his initial question was answered but they may want to let the public know what the process is to get the signs up there. A. Rawson said that if anyone is interested in putting a sign up at the town beach they can go down and see K. Brown of course but there is a contract so they would need to go through the contract, it is \$150.00, the signs are made right in town and they are all the same size. It is \$250 per sign and \$150 for each additional sign for one season. The money from the signs goes into the recreation revolving account which supports any recreational activity. D. Wing asked if they could have the sign made by someone else other than what the Rec. Department uses as long as they stick to the standard size that everyone has. A. Rawson said if they want to come to the Rec. Meeting to ask the commission they could, he could not speak on their behalf.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

- **September 25, 2017**

**Motion:**

M. Beaulieu said that on page 4 where it says the credit card limit was raised to \$5,000 from \$2,000 it should be to \$5,000 from \$2,500. M. Beaulieu noted that Brenda does a great job on all the minutes.

R. Thibeault motioned to accept the September 25, 2017 meeting minutes with corrections, seconded by M. Beaulieu.

**Roll Call:**

M. Beaulieu (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), A. Rawson (Yes), Motion Carried 3-0

### **Treasurer & Expenditure Reports:**

- H. Thibodeau stated that there was a lot of work done on the Expenditure report over the weekend, there were some items moved, she would like to highlight the postage line it has dropped. There was a lot of adjusting on other lines and correcting errors that have been made. The biggest one is they know that there is two months missing from the Wex line that they are still working on.

### **Administrator Comments:**

- H. Thibodeau mentioned again how great the Highway department people were in getting the work done at the town hall and how great everything looks, it did take longer than expected and people at the town hall had to be moved around to get their work done, but she is very pleased at how well everyone worked together to get through it.

- H. Thibodeau mentioned that most departments are now working on budgets and they may have signs up that say budget work in process do not disturb so she asks that anyone trying to get a hold of someone in the town hall to be patient if they are unsuccessful at reaching them.
- H. Thibodeau said that she would like to congratulate Simental Resale on their first year of business, the first year is always the hardest and a lot of businesses don't make it so congratulations to them for making it past the first year.

### **Selectmen Comments:**

- R. Thibeault said that this coming Saturday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> there is a town house bake sale from 9am to 1pm and it is to support the restoration of the town house.
- M. Beaulieu asked if the other board members received a letter from Caledonian carpentry, the board said they did and M. Beaulieu asked A. Rawson if he would like to read the letter but before he did, M. Beaulieu wanted to address one thing first. The Budget Committee had asked if there could be an index added to the expenditure report which makes it a lot easier to find things, the index was added. A. Rawson read the letter out loud, the letter pertains restoring building in Milton mills. The board agreed to have a meeting with them and the owners.
- M. Beaulieu found a flag in the corner of the room and he thinks that it was donated and he thinks there is some history to it; he wants to know if they can find out who may have donated it.
- A. Rawson mentioned the Trunk a Treat again.
- A. Rawson wanted to thank B. Carrier for coming to the Board of Selectmen meetings and recording them.
- A. Rawson mentioned with the new wall they should do a picture contest and put up some nice pictures up. H. Thibodeau will look into it.

### **Public Comments:**

- P. Hurd mentioned maybe putting a nice wood frame around the new peg board on the new wall to make it stand out more.
- P. Hurd mentioned that she wanted to thank the pink house, she does not know how many people went up this weekend for ice cream, they were donating money, it was a \$1 a scope and they were donating the money to end 68 hours of hunger, she thanked them and for a new business is a great thing.
- B. Graham mentioned that the governor is putting together donations to support Porta Rico tomorrow and Wednesday so if anyone wants to make donations of non-perishable items they can bring them to the state house.
- B. Graham said that the VFW donated a new flag for the town flag pole.
- B. Graham thanked the board for all their efforts for getting water into the veteran's park.
- Chief Krauss said that one officer is graduating from the Dare academy on Friday at 11am at the fire academy in Concord NH and another officer is receiving an award the 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the NH Police Standards and Training Academy, so if any of the board is available and would like to attend they are welcome.
- L. McDougal asked when they are getting speakers as they cannot hear too well.

**Other Business that may come before the Board:**

None

**Next meeting will be October 16 @6pm**

**Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn was made by A. Rawson, Seconded by R. Thibeault, All in Favor, Motion carried 3-0

Respectfully submitted,  
Brenda Pabon, Recording Clerk

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Chairman Andrew O. Rawson

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J. Michael Beaulieu

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Ryan Thibeault