

Town of Milton
Board of Selectmen Meeting
May 15, 2017
Milton Town Hall
Meeting Minutes

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

Public in Attendance: Larry Brown, Bob Carrier, David Carpus, Nick Marique, Pat Smith, Pam Smith, Andrew Keller, Tom Gray, Rachel Davidson, John Katwick, Jeff Lord, Roger Moulton, Clark Fenner, Fred Cameron, Tyler Smith, Clarence Nason, Dustin Nason, Red Cameron, Dennis Allfrey, Wade Foss, Shawn Donell

Chairman Beaulieu called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Acknowledgements:

Passings:

- Roland Polain
- Susan Cook

Birthdays:

- Heather Thibodeau
- Evan Favorite
- Jerry McKay
- Pamela Arnold
- Jarrod Wheeler
- Andrew Rawson

OLD BUSINESS -Discussions and Possible Actions:

- **Town Website:**
There was a discussion on the design of the town website. D. Carpus has developed a sample website which the board of Selectmen has reviewed and they are pleased with it. R. Thibeault asked the board what they would like to do from here, do they want to get more quotes. A. Rawson stated that he was fine with moving forward with D. Carpus, it would be nice to have a town resident do the job and he has done a lot for the town. D. Carpus discussed how the town could do the payment for this website, there were a few options presented. R. Thibeault stated that they should send the link to the new website to all department heads and get feedback from the on it, and have them all type up what they would like to see on the website and have them send it to H. Thibodeau so that she can compile all the information. D. Carpus suggested to also place the link on the town website so that they public could also have some input. R. Thibeault stated that maybe they can define the scope a little bit better and get back with D. Carpus to make sure the price is for what they want and then make a decision from there, the

board was fine with that. R. Thibeault asked if H. Thibodeau would be able to have everything together for next meeting so that the board could vote on it, H. Thibodeau stated yes.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussions and Possible Actions:

- **Purchase of New Cardiac Monitor:**

N. Marique introduced Rachel Davidson from the Michael Maloney foundation; she presented a \$5,000.00 award to the Milton Fire department for the purchase of a New Cardiac Monitor.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to accept the \$5,000.00 grant from the Michael Maloney Foundation fund for the Milton Fire Department for a Cardiac Monitor, R. Thibeault seconded.

Roll Call:

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

N. Marique presented the board with a quote for the cardiac monitor; he stated that the price that they will have to spend out of the ambulance revolving account is \$21,504.05. N. Marique stated that he would be ok with purchasing this now as there is plenty of funds to make this purchase but the board will need to sign the contract.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to have \$21,504.05 come from the ambulance revolving account with the grant for the \$5,000.00 for a total of 26,504.05 and the trade, R. Thibeault seconded

Roll Call:

A. Rawson (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), M. Beaulieu (Yes), Motion carries.

- **Public Hearing on Ratification (6:30pm):**

The Milton Select Board will hold a public hearing pursuant of chapter 20 HB 329 of the 2017 Legislative session prior to the voting on resolution to legalize, ratify and confirm all actions, votes proceeding to the 2017 annual town meeting vote scheduled to take place on March 14th which was postponed due to a weather emergency.

M. Beaulieu opened the public meeting at 6:30pm. No comments from the public.

Motion:

The Board of Selectmen of the town of Milton pursuant of chapter 20 HB 329 of the 2017 Legislative session hereby legalize, ratify and confirm all actions, votes and proceedings at the 2017 annual town meeting votes scheduled to take place on March 14, 2017 which was postponed due to weather emergency. This action is taken after a properly notice public hearing and notice having been published in the fosters newspaper and the town website 72 hours prior to this action a true asset copy of this resolution will be posted at the place of the annual town Select board meeting with copies posted at the Emma Ramsey center, the Milton Free Public Library and the town website and delivered to the town clerk. Given under our hands May 15, 2017.

R. Thibeault asked if the public hearing should be closed.

Motion:

R. Thibeault motioned to close the public hearing, A. Rawson seconded.

Roll Call:

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

Roll Call: (for Motion on Public Hearing on ratification above)

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

- **FD Utility Truck:**

N. Marique presented to the board the state bid price from Grapone Ford for a F250 Crew cab pickup for a cost of \$32,075.00, these funds would be coming from the Fire Department capital reserve fund for that purpose.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to purchase a 2017 F250 crew cab pickup for \$32,075.000 from Grapone Ford, R. Thibeault seconded.

Roll Call:

A. Rawson (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), M. Beaulieu (Yes), motion carried.

- **Ambulance Bid:**

The board of Selectmen met on May 4th to open the ambulance bid. N. Marique stated that the bid was sent out to three people and it was published on the town website as well, they only received one bid back, he was expecting 2 others as well. N. Marique looked the one bid over and it is within the budget and meets the specs so he is recommending moving forward with the one bid that they received.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to purchase a 2017 Ford F550 4x4 Custom full size Super warrior for \$225,303.00 from Bulldog fire apparatus, R. Thibeault seconded.

Roll Call:

A. Rawson (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), M. Beaulieu (Yes), motion carried.

N. Marique stated that they received a check from Eversource for \$6,500 which is the rebate for the lighting package at the fire station. He stated that the assistant Chief (D. Pageau) did all the work.

- **Waiver to Build on Private Road request:**

This will be tabled till next BOS meeting, needs to be reviewed by the planning board prior to Board of Selectmen approval.

- **Solar Garden Land Lease:**

A. Keeler went over where they are on the project; he stated they are right where they thought they would be, he said the longest part is the Utility Company approval. A. Keeler discussed some other projects they are looking to do in town. He is looking for the Boards approval on another project with a land lease and pilot agreement. He discussed more about the land they are interested in and some of the project if the Board was willing to move forward. He also talked about how the town residents could get involved in these projects as well. A resident asked how the rebates work; A. Keeler explained how they work.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to enter into a land lease for a solar garden project on the parcel behind the waste water treatment plant property, seconded by R. Thibeault.

Roll Call:

A. Rawson (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), M. Beaulieu (Yes), motion carried.

- **Selectmen Agenda Request Discussion:**

A. Rawson stated that if there is something that comes up that needs to be brought to the board in between meetings that cannot wait till the next selectmen's meeting such as something that has real urgency it should be discussed. M. Beaulieu stated that they should change the wording or add some language that will accommodate those instances. He suggested that the board bring this home and review the wording and come back with some suggestions at the next BOS meeting so that this issue can be added.

Approval of Minutes:

None Approved

Expenditure Reports

The Board reviewed the report, they are at about 34% +/-, and so they are in a good spot at this point.

Administrator Comments:

- H. Thibodeau stated that she received a bid recommendation for the Town House Road Culvert road improvement, to award J. Parker and Daughters construction for a bid price of \$173,685.00.

Motion:

A. Rawson motioned to award J. Parker and Daughters Construction for the bid price of \$173,685.00 for the Town House Road Culvert road improvement, R. Thibeault seconded.

Roll Call:

A. Rawson (Yes), R. Thibeault (Yes), M. Beaulieu (Yes), motion carried.

- H. Thibodeau stated that she spoke with Burkes flooring and they would like to come up on Wednesday to look around.
- H. Thibodeau was contacted by the town of Middleton, It appears that the town of Milton has not done perambulation since 2012; Middleton would like to start scheduling time to do the perambulation. H. Thibodeau stated that she would gather information needed to do this.

Selectmen Comments:

- R. Thibeault stated that he attended the Plummer's Ridge Hiking Trail grand opening this past Saturday, it was a very successful opening, he wanted to thank everyone that participated in the event and made that project happen, it was a great turnout and a great addition to the town of Milton.
- R. Thibeault stated that he would like to talk about a discussion that they had at the last BOS meeting about article #7. He stated that he is only bringing this up is that he thinks in the future that maybe they can do a better job as he was uncomfortable with how it was approached and talked about, he does not feel that they did anything wrong, he just feels that going forward to be just consistent with how they do things. When they have something from an attorney they really need to vote on it as a board before it is read out loud because it is privilege information,

again he is saying that they did nothing wrong he is just saying that they can handle something like that a little differently in the future because he does not want any of them to get into trouble if they read something off that should not have been read. A. Rawson stated that this article #7 has been very unsettling to some of the employees and what they were trying to do was to show that they were supporting their employees and that they stood behind them with what the town people voted on at the election. A. Rawson agrees that moving forward they should get together and decide as a board on whether to read something out loud or not.

- R. Thibeault stated that he signed up for the 2017 local officials workshop in Stratham it is next week May 23rd and it is free, he wanted to mention it to the rest of the board if any of them were interested and could attend.
- A. Rawson stated that K. Brown is still looking for vendors for the summer kick off if anyone is interested which is being held on June 10th and 11th. Call K. Brown. The Beach will be opening on Memorial Day for the weekends. Anyone that wants to dock a boat please contact K. Brown.
- A. Rawson wanted to congratulate Steven Steer, his mother sent A. Rawson an invitation to attend his Eagle Scout project. A. Rawson congratulated Steven Steer from Milton NH for completing his Eagle Scout project by installing a kiosk to hold maps and installed signs for the trails at the new plumbers ridge trails. This is a huge accomplishment for S. Steer and he thanked him again for all his hard work. He also wanted to congratulate the Branch Hill Farm, McKenzie's Farm, Susan Brown of Susan Foster Brown Studio's, Charlie Monroe, Steven Steer, The New Hampshire Farm Museum and the Stratford regional planning Committee for the grand opening of Plummer's Ridge forest farm hiking trails, thanks so much for everyone's hard work. A. Rawson wanted to mention Adam Bauck he installed at the American legion a flag pole for his eagle scout and a light on top of it; he wanted to congratulate him on his achievement with the scouts. They have all been such a huge asset to the Town of Milton, they do so much for the town, they have done work at the cemetery, the library, the dug outs for the ball fields, etc. He just wanted to give them a shout out for everything that they do in town; their work does not go forgotten.
- A. Rawson mentioned that there is a town wide community yard sale this Saturday May 20th from 9-4, it is at 16 commerce way, call 973-3905 for details.
- A. Rawson wanted to thank Rachel Davidson once again for the Michael Maloney fund for the \$5,000 grant as that is huge for the town, and he also thanked Nick Marique for all the grants that he pursues.
- M. Beaulieu stated that the school will be participating in the yard sale, they are going to be emptying out the building for the SEU so a lot of those items that are in there like desks and printers and things of that sort will be sold at the yard sale and they will be donating the proceeds, they are just not sure where to yet.
- M. Beaulieu stated that they are going to be adding another line item to the budget it will be for 91A's for costs, so the budget committee will see this coming, it will have to come out of the TA's budget. To date they have spent over \$2,000 on 91A requests of taxpayers' dollars, so they will need to keep that in mind as they go through the year. R. Thibeault asked how M. Beaulieu came up with the \$2,000 figure. M. Beaulieu stated that it was the cost between the IT's fee and the attorney's fee. R. Thibeault stated that when any 91A's come in they are also taking town employee's time as well. M. Beaulieu stated that then it would be more than \$2,000. R. Thibeault asked why they needed to create a new line item for 91A's, M. Beaulieu stated it was

because they do not have a line item for that to expend money. R. Thibeault asked if they are going to have someone charge time to that new line when they are working on a 91A, M. Beaulieu stated it would be for legal costs, R. Thibeault asked if they already have a line for legal cost, M. Beaulieu stated not for 91A's. D. Carpus stated that if there needed to be outsourcing to a third party then that cost would not fall under legal fees. M. Beaulieu will be looking for advice from the TA and the Budget Committee on how to set this up.

Public Comments:

- L. Brown wanted to thank people, if they go down to the library, they now have a new duck and a lollipop, John and Linda Kane from Liberty Chapel donated funds to the Friends of the library, the Friends of the Library voted their own money, they had volunteers from the church group, they had the perennial volunteers, Bob Carrier who went down on Friday afternoon to raked out the wood chips which were donated by Fred Cameron, he just wanted to make sure that everyone was thanked.
- J. Katwick stated that there was a discussion at a Board of Selectmen meeting a few months back on financial Policy Revision, there was a long discussion on it about token of appreciations for people that help the town of Milton, he stated that the Board of Selectmen were going to expedite it, M. Beaulieu asked who said they were going to expedite it, J. Katwick said the Board of Selectmen. J. Katwick asked if anything has been done if so could he get a copy of it. M. Beaulieu stated that it has not been brought up to the board yet.
- R. Thibeault stated that he remembers that meeting and he remembers this came up before with a check and when he asked for the policy he was told there was no policy in place. M. Beaulieu stated that it needs to be worked on but it just has not been. H. Thibodeau stated that she would need input from the board on what they would like in the policy.

Other Business that may come before the Board:

None

Next meeting will be June 5th @6pm

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn at 8:00pm was made by R. Thibeault , Seconded by A. Rawson, All in Favor, Motion carried. 3-0

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Pabon, Recording Clerk

Chairman J. Michael Beaulieu

Andrew O. Rawson

Ryan Thibeault