

Town of Milton  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019  
Milton Town Hall

**Board of Selectmen Attendance:** Chairman Ryan Thibeault, Vice Chair Erin Hutchings, Andy Rawson, Town Administrator Ernie Creveling, Recording Clerk; Danielle Marique

**Public Attendance:** Richard Burke, Rhonda Burke, Nick Marique, Betty Eaton, Sara Varney.

**Meeting call to order**

R Thibeault welcomed all in attendance reciting the pledge.

**Public Comment: None**

**New Business:**

**1. Avitar Assessing Agreement**

E. Creveling stated the Avitar assessing agreement is due with two one-year agreement options resulting in cycled inspections on an average of two days per month at a contracted rate of \$39,900 or cycled inspections an average of one day per month at a contracted rate of \$33,600. It was reported as a suggestion of Assessing Director K. Wallingford, to continue with the inspections averaging two days per month.

***Motion:** R. Thibeault moved to continue with the one-year contract assessing and cycled inspections based on average of two days per month at a cost of \$39,900. A. Rawson seconded. 3-0*

**2. Acceptance of FEMA Grant**

N. Marique reported the awardee of the FEMA Firefighters Grant for \$171,428.57 for the purchase of 25 SCBA packs. With the awardee of the grant the Town is to match 5% equaling \$8,571.43, the approximate cost of one air pack. Stated this is the third time the Town has been awarded this grant and is one of the most competitive grants available annually.

***Motion:** A. Rawson moved to have Fire Chief Nick Marique accept the FEMA Firefighters grant for \$171,428.57 for the purchase of 25 SCBA packs. E. Hutchings seconded. 3-0*

N. Marique stated the three vendors used and work closely with in the past will provide quotes for purchase and will continue to advise Town Administrator Creveling of the process but expecting a purchase delivery date of the year end.

**3. New Beginnings Food Pantry Report**

B. Eaton reported the name of the food pantry at the old Assembly of God church is in the process of being renamed Revolutions Food Pantry. Stated within the eight months they have been providing to the Town they are currently providing to 78 Milton families, 341 within all of Strafford County. Total meals served for Strafford County being \$74,928 and a total of 7,056 in Milton. Proposed a request of \$2,500 donation to assist in utilities costs, a new heating system and additional operating expenses. R. Thibeault stated the board would take the request under advisement for the 2020 budget.

**4. Acceptance of VFW Donation to Human Services Department**

D. Marique requested the Board of Selectmen's approval of the gracious gift certificate donations of two \$25 to Market Basket and one \$25 to Milton Veterinary Clinic, from the VFW.

*Motion: A. Rawson moved to accept the donation from the VFW to the Human Services Department. E. Hutchings seconded. 3-0*

**Old Business:**

**5. Joint Budget Meeting Recap**

E. Creveling stated the joint budget meeting held September 14<sup>th</sup> went well. Currently the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee are in process of reviewing budgets and hopeful to come back together the end of October to discuss further questions and potential adjustments. The revised PowerPoint presentation will be available for public the end of the week.

**Other Business: None**

**Meeting Minutes**

R. Thibeault moved to approve the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting minutes. E. Hutchings seconded. 3-0

R. Thibeault moved to approve the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Joint budget review meeting minutes. E. Hutchings seconded. 3-0

**Expenditure Report**

E. Hutchings stated things are on track for this point of the year.

**Public Comments: None**

**Administrator Comments**

E. Creveling stated the Town has not updated the utility pole and conduit licensing in many years. The process to have this action take place is to have an interested community member start a petition to the Selectmen to start the process for properly assessment of utilities that are placed within the public right of way.

**Selectmen Comments**

**A. Rawson:** Expressed gratitude to Eagle Scout Mathew Steer on his hard work and dedication to the Casey Road trail system and the congratulations on his Eagle Scout project completion.

**E. Hutchings:** Reported the employee appreciation luncheon was rumored to be great success and thanked all employees for their dedication.

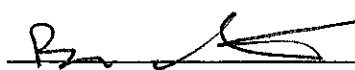
**R. Thibeault:** None.

E. Hutchings moved to adjourn the meeting. R. Thibeault seconded. 3-0

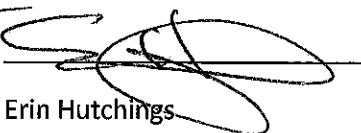
Next Board of Selectmen Meeting Date:

*Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – 6:00PM*

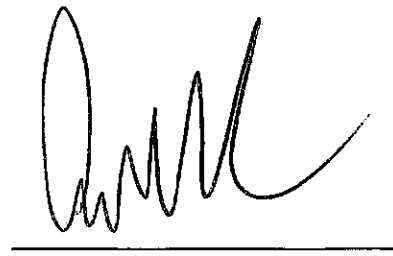
Respectfully submitted;  
Recording Clerk,  
Danielle Marique



Chairman Ryan Thibeault



Erin Hutchings



Andy Rawson