

MENDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING-----March 26, 2012

APPROVED-----April 9, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Mike Goddard, Selectman Lawney Tinio and Interim Town Coordinator Ernie Horn are present.

Pledge

Administrative

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to accept the BOS meeting minutes from Feb. 27, 2012 and Executive Session minutes from Sept. 1, 2011 and Oct. 24, 2011. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

1. A request has been received from the Parks Department for a liquor license for beer and wine for the Mendon Summer Festival. The license is for one day during the four-day period of June 9 through June 13, 2012 to include the delivery day, the event day, the rain date and the pickup day. The time of service to be from 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM with last call at 9:00 PM. There will be a police officer present.

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to approve a four-day liquor license for beer and wine for the Mendon Summer Festival. The license is for one day during the four-day period of June 9 through June 13, 2012 to include the delivery day, the event day, the rain date and the pickup day. The time of service to be from 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM with last call at 9:00 PM on the day of the event. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to appoint James Palmer as part time dispatcher at a rate of \$16.00/hour. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

2. Brian Morford presented a request for written approval for an opening day parade for Mendon Junior Baseball. The parade will take place on April 28, 2012, starting at 10:00 AM. The route starts at the intersection of Kelly Road and Millville Road and proceeds south on Millville Road to the parking lot at Pezzella.

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to grant written permission for an opening day parade for Mendon Junior Baseball. The parade will take place on April 28, 2012, starting at 10:00 AM. The route starts at the intersection of Kelly Road and Millville Road and proceeds south on Millville Road to the parking lot at Pezzella.

Selectman Lawney Tinio amended the motion to read rain date of April 29, 2012. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

Old Business

1. Highway Surveyor Alan Tetreault addressed the board concerning the acceptance of Deer Hill Road, Leone Lane, Lowell Drive, Springbrook Court, Millbrook Drive and Freeman Place. Springbrook Drive is in the worst condition. He would like to move on the paper work to get them accepted, but fix them later. Alan does not mind putting road acceptance on the warrant for a special town meeting as no money request is involved. Chairman Goddard suggested putting the issue on the warrant for the annual town meeting and if need be, it could be passed over.
2. The subject of 36 Milford Street, Taft Orchard RFP was discussed. Chairman Goddard would like to post the RFP although we are waiting for an updated map of the property. Interim Town Coordinator Ernie Horn stated we do not need to wait for the new map to post the RFP. Interim Town Coordinator Ernie Horn stated that he and Anne Mazar walked the property with the consulting company and nothing else has happened with them yet.

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to put the RFP on the Taft Property out. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

3. The selectmen and Coleman Nee were not able to reach agreement on the salary for the position of Treasurer/Collector. The BOS will interview additional candidates to attempt to fill the position. In the interim, signatory authority will be transferred to assistant Treasurer/ Collector Joan Gaulin. Town Accountant, Claudia Cataldo, will do everything she can legally do to assist.

Selectman Lawney Tinio made a motion to transfer signatory authority to assistant Treasurer/ Collector Joan Gaulin starting at 4:00 PM, Thursday March 29, 2012. Chairman Michael Goddard stepped down and seconded. Unanimous vote.

4. Selectman Ammendolia's absence tonight prevents discussion on the Town Coordinator position. The search committee has met and has researched various options used to manage other towns similar to Mendon.
5. Meeting dates were set for April 2, 9, 23, and May 7, and 21.
6. Interim Town Coordinator Ernie Horn states that the regional dispatch situation is status quo. He has not received a formal letter from Hopedale selectman or their Town Coordinator. Chairman Goddard will reach out to Hopedale BOS Chairman, Mike Collins and to the Town of Millville to set up a meeting to discuss the situation.

New business

1. The Library Trustees reported on their progress regarding the possible purchase of the former St. Michael's property on North Ave. It was stated the property is an ideal location for the library. The Trustees have three unanswered questions; what is a reliable dollar figure for the purchase of the property; how much would it cost to renovate the property and move to the location; and what would the annual operating budget be. The Trustees stated the staffing would remain at the current level. They do not feel they are in a position to bring the issue before the town for a vote at this time. The BOS discussed how best to bring the matter to the town for a vote. Chairman Goddard suggested they put a placeholder on the annual town meeting warrant and, if need be, it could be passed over.
2. Michael Peterson presented the BOS with the BVT budget.
3. Selectman Tinio presented paperwork from the DEP requiring signature acknowledging the need to submit additional paperwork.

Selectmen Tinio moved to go into Executive Session under Chapter 30A Section 21 to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and /or collective bargaining; will reconvene only to adjourn. Roll call vote is needed. Tinio aye, Goddard aye.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Cook

Documents discussed located in Administrative Secretary's Office:

- BOS meeting minutes for Feb. 27 2012, and executive session meetings from Oct. 24, 2011.
- RFP for 36 Milford Street, Taft Orchard Property
- BVT Budget
- Memo from the Parks Dept. stamped received March 26, 2012
- Letter from Brian Morford, dated March 26, 2012
- Letter from DEP dated March 15, 2012 re: Mendon Drinking Water Program