

## MENDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING-----February 8, 2012

APPROVED-----March 12, 2012

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

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New Business

1. Interviewing three candidates for possible appointment to police officer.

a. Stephen Sinko from Hopedale.

- i. Experience includes 2 years as dispatcher in Mendon.
- ii. Police officer in the Town of Millville for 7 years.
- iii. Member of Navy Reserve for the past 3 years.
- iv. Started citizen's police academy.

Mr. Sinko listed his strengths as his experience, working with the public, working with the fire department

b. Jeffery Dean from Millville.

- i. Experience includes 10 years of police service in Millville.
- ii. Has experience as a dispatcher.
- iii. Licensed Civil Engineer.

Mr. Dean states he has always had an interest in law enforcement. When asked what specialized training he would be interested in stated accident reconstruction and motorcycle and ATV assignments.

c. Paul Mansfield from Blackstone.

- i. Experience includes Police explorer.
- ii. Dispatcher in Blackstone and Milford.
- iii. Reserve office in Woonsocket R.I.

Mr. Mansfield, when asked what specialize training he would be interested in stated drug task force. He also said he would work with the public to make Mendon a better and safer place.

Chief Ernie Horn stated all three candidates had to pass both a written and physical agility test. These three candidates scored #1, 2 and 3 among their peers. He also stated that these three candidates were the best of the best. Chief Horn stated that there are ample funds in both this year's and next year's budget to support the appointments. He respectfully requests that these three be appointed as Mendon Police Officers.

**Selectman Ammendolia makes a motion to appoint Mr. Sinko, Mr. Dean, and Mr. Mansfield to full time police officers, probationary for one year subject to candidates passing physical exam and physiological exam. Selectman Tinio seconds. Unanimous vote.**

2. A date for a Special Town Meeting for the purpose of handling zoning and other bylaw issues, and possible redistribution of funds was discussed. Possible date for the meeting is April 9 pending availability of the school, Town Clerk and Town Moderator.

**Selectman Tinio makes a motion to hold a Special Town Meeting at 7:00PM on April 9, 2012 at Miscoe School, seconded by Selectman Ammendolia. Unanimous vote.**

3. Selectmen and Interim Town Coordinator reviewed and discussed the changes made to the RFP draft for the property at 36 Milford St. Interim Town Coordinator Horn stated the draft is quite restrictive but protects the town. He also suggests a selection committee to have possible members from BOH, Zoning, BOS, Planning, Town Counsel, and some citizens.
4. Interim Town Coordinator Horn indicated he had been contacted by New England Realty expressing an interest in managing the RFP for 36 Milford St., but as only as it applies to possible solar energy. Selectmen do not want to limit possibilities at this time.
5. Interim Town Coordinator Horn informed the BOS that the Town Building Inspector is on extended leave. Selectman Tinio will reach out to our assistant Building Inspector, John Erickson, to perform the pending inspections in the interim.

**Selectman Tinio makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Ammendolia. Unanimous vote.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Cook

Documents discussed located in Administrative Secretary's Office:  
RFP for property located at 36 Milford St.