



TOWN OF MENDON

SELECT BOARD

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Notice of Meeting **June 22, 2021** **7:00 PM Remote**

Board Members
Mark W. Reil Jr., Chairman
Lawney Tinio
Mike Merolli

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Meeting Minutes

At 7 PM a remote Select Board meeting was called to order. Present: Mark Reil, Chris Burke, Lawney Tinio, Kim Newman and Laura St.John-Dupuis. Ms. St.John-Dupuis read the introduction to the meeting. Mr. Reil provided the ground rules.

Correspondence to the Board- Consider the Bay State Trailer Riders Association request to hold their annual Poker Run on July 25th from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM out of Inman Hill Wildlife Conservation Area.

Mr. Tinio made a motion to authorize the Bay State Trailer Riders Association to hold their annual Poker Run on July 25th from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM out of Inman Hill Wildlife Conservation Area. Second by Mr. Merolli. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Joint Meeting-Board of Water Commissioners

Consider Water Board Commissioner Appointment

Mr. Merolli made a motion to appoint Vincent J. Roy as Interim Water Commissioner. Second by Mr. Tinio. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Discuss Federal Rescue Plan Act Funding

Mr. Rudden, Water Commissioner, stated that the Water Commission wanted to bring to the Board's attention Federal Rescue Plan Act Funding and that these funds can be used to fund water and sewer. There are things that the water commission is grappling to pay for. Mr. Rudden stated that \$1.8M could be given to the Town. 2 water meters need replacement. Continued meetings regarding building a second interconnect with Hopedale at Plains Road. The Town has permission but no funding to do an emergency connect with Bellingham. The Water Commission has been making headway with Bellingham and feels it would help the Town greatly if the Select Board would consider funds for this purpose. The Town Hall well would also qualify for use of these funds and the Town could look at bringing water and sewer to the center of Town.

Consider/Appoint Economic Development Committee Candidate

Mr. Tinio made a motion to appoint Anthony Davis to the Economic Development Committee for a term to expire June 30, 2023. Second by Mr. Merolli. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Consider/Appoint Local Historic District Commission Candidate

Mr. Merolli made a motion to Brett Thibault to the Local Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2024. Second by Mr. Tinio. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Consider/Appoint- Finance Committee Candidate

Mr. Tinio made a motion to appoint Mike Jones to the Finance Committee for a term to expire June 30, 2024. Second by Mr. Merolli. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Consider Renewal Junk Dealer - David Lowell, 4 Main Street

Mr. Merolli made a motion to approve the renewal of a Junk Dealer License for David Lowell, 4 Main Street., pending receipt of positive routing slips. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Consider Finance Software Contract

Mr. Merolli made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to sign a contract with Springbrook for finance software up to the amount of \$49,487.40. Second by Mr. Tinio. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Consider 1 Year Appointments

Mr. Tinio made a motion to approve one year appoints as per the below list, the term will expire 6/30/22. As posted with the agenda. Second by Mr. Merolli. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

ADA Coord- Kevin Rudden
Affordable Housing Coordinator-William McHenry
Building Inspector-Assist. John Erickson
CMRPC-William Ambrosino
CMRPC-Planning William Ambrosino
Custodian Soldiers & Sailors Graves- Robin Fletcher
Election Warden – Kathryn Rich
Election Warden-Deputy Nancy Fleury
Emergency Mgmt. Director- Dave Kurczy
Emergency Mgmt. Deputy Director-Mark Bucchino
Master Plan Committee-William Ambrosino
Procurement Officer, Highway- Alan Tetreault
Procurement Officer, Chief- Kimberly Newman
Town Counsel- Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane LLP
Veterans' Agent- Robin Fletcher
Veteran's Burial Agent- Robin Fletcher
Wiring Inspector-Jack Grenga
Wiring Inspector, Assistant- Albert Jones
ZBA-alternate- John D'Amellio
ZBA-alternate- Tom Merolli

Consider 3 Year Appointments

Mr. Tinio made a motion to approve three year appointments as per the below list, the term will expire 6/30/24. As posted with the agenda. Second by Mr. Merolli The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Agricultural Commission- Zachary Pelc
Community Preservation Committee

Anne Mazar
Michael Ammendolia
Peter Denton

Conservation Commission
Michael Ammendolia

Conservation Commission
Emilio Perez

Constable
Ken O'Brien
Peter Powers

Council on Aging
Peg Nogueira

Council on Aging
Ann Vandersluis

Economic Development Committee
Todd Gleason
Anthony Genna

Finance Committee- Michael Ammendolia

Historical Commission- Dan Byer

Historic District Committee
Dan Byer
Deb Flanagan

Land Use Committee- Frank Niro

Taxation Aid Committee- Alenja Brugos

Town Forest Committee- Ryan Oliva

Zoning Board of Appeals-John Vandersluis

Consider Municipal Hearing Officer Appointment

Mr. Reil made a motion to appoint Laura St.John-Dupuis as the Municipal Hearings Officer for a term to expire 6/30/22. Second by . The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Mowry Street Update

The Town of Mendon Building Commissioner John Erickson and Zoning Enforcement Officer Loriann Braza were in attendance. Mr. Erickson asked Ms. Braza to provide an update to the Board. Ms. Braza stated that in August of 2020 a complaint was received, site visits were done in Sept 2020 and October 2020. In Sept a cease and desist letter, the owner did not comply. application for a criminal complaint at Milford District Court on November 6, 2020. There was a hearing scheduled at the end of November. The resident of Mowry Street appeared at the hearing and asked for 30 days to move his landscaping business. The Court Magistrate Kerrigan did give him the 30 days and was given the date of December 15, 2020 to return to court. The resident did not comply and the hearing was continued to February 13, 2021. The resident of Mowry Street did not attend hearing. The Clerk Magistrate asked Ms. Braza to put together an affidavit stating the facts of all that has gone on. The Clerk Magistrate issued a complaint and was arraigned on April 29, 2021 conditions were for him to adhere to the original cease and desist. Today, the resident had not complied, on Monday June 28th is the next hearing at Milford district court, which is a

pre-trial hearing. Mr. Reil asked moving forward that the Building Department provide Ms. Newman updated on this and of any other cases going to court.

Mr. Erickson added that it is somewhat unusual when someone is in violation to not come into compliance. Depending upon how this case goes, Mr. Erickson may need to consult with Town Counsel and maybe look towards taking an additional step in Superior Court.

Discuss Override

Mr. Reil asked if there were specifics on this. Ms. Newman added this topic to the agenda as there were emails with follow up questions for council and they have since been answered.

Executive Session -Purpose 3, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Mendon Town Hall Union Local 272, Mendon Highway Department Union Local 272, Mass. Coalition of Police Union AFL-CIO Local 188.

Mr. Reil made motion to enter in to Executive Session -Purpose 3, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Mendon Town Hall Union Local 272, Mendon Highway Department Union Local 272, Mass. Coalition of Police Union AFL-CIO Local 188. To discuss in open session may be detrimental to bargaining.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Adjournment

Mr. Tinio made a motion to adjourn. Second by Mr. Merolli. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Reil- aye, Tinio- aye, Merolli- aye.

Submitted by Laura St.John-Dupuis