

## **MENDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**MINUTES OF MEETING-----January 3, 2012**

**APPROVED -----January 17, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM. Chairman Mike Goddard and Mike Ammendolia are present. Selectmen Lawney Tinio joined the meeting at approximately 8:25 p.m.

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**Reviewed and approved minutes for November 28, and December 19, 2011. Motion made by Mike Ammendolia and Chairman Mike Goddard steps down to second. Unanimous vote.**

Members discussed Miscoe Road. Kevin Philbrick was present with his attorney J. Antonellis to discuss whether he can build a house on Miscoe Road at the Mendon-Upton line. Upton has discontinued the road but in Mendon, it is an ancient roadway and has never been discontinued. Chairman Goddard has three questions.

1. If allowed, who maintains the road?
2. Would fire and police departments deem it safe?
3. Has Mr. Philbrick and his attorney reached out to the zoning and planning boards?

Chief Horn stated that if an emergency occurred, Mendon would be responsible. It was stated that Mr. Philbrick needs to come back to another meeting with more information.

New Business:

1. Selectmen deferred approval of adult entertainment license for Showtime Entertainment, LLC 49 Milford Street due to outstanding as-built required by Conservation Commission. Resident Laurie Sweet of 50 Milford Street questioned whether the applicant has resolved outstanding issues.

2. Mendon-Upton School Superintendent, Mr. Maruszczak, spoke of the multi-board approach to school issues as positive. He also spoke of the need to change the state formula for funding. It has not been changed since 1972. Mr. Maruszczak also talked of his goals.

- a. Strategic goals
- b. Working with community members, parents, teachers, and possibly students from the 5<sup>th</sup> grade up.
- c. Working in a pro-active mode instead of a reactive one.

3. The Board approved the appointment of Nancy Mosher as outreach worker for the Senior Center. The motion was made by Selectmen Mike Ammendolia and Chairman Mike Goddard stepped down to second the motion to appoint Nancy Mosher as a part-time, five-hour s per week outreach worker for the Mendon Council on Aging. Salary for this worker will

be paid for from grants received by the Mendon Council on Aging. This position will start immediately for one calendar year. The vote was unanimous. Senior Center Director, Amy Wilson-Kent, spoke of the duties of an outreach worker.

4. Agricultural Committee discussion was the next topic on the agenda. Residents Paul Starrett of 18 Pleasant Street, Peter Hawkes of 51 Pleasant Street, Max Carbone of 31 Talbott Farm Drive, Ellen Gould of 174 Millville Street, Jane Belleville of 31 Washington Street, and Bill McHenry of 86 Blackstone Street, all spoke of the need for such a committee to educate the community about the needs and importance of farming. No action was taken. Appointments will be made at the next meeting. Chairman Goddard spoke of working with Con.Com. and Land Use Committees. The Agricultural Committee will consist of five members.

5. Discussion on Town Coordinator Role Committee was the next topic for discussion. Shirley Smith of 188 Providence Road, Mike Lochhead of 14 Dudley Road, and Joe Cronin of 17 Vincent Road, all spoke of possible qualifications for the interested candidates. The committee should define the role and assess what the town needs. No action was taken. Appointments will be made at the next meeting. It will be a five-member committee.

**Selectman 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. Motion seconded by Selectman Ammendolia, unanimously approved. Ammendolia, aye, Goddard, aye, Tinio, aye.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Cook

Documents discussed located in Administrative Secretary's Office:  
November 28 and December 19, 2011 BOS meeting minutes.