

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Minutes

Date: May 22, 2013

Members Present: Mike McCallum and Steven Ingerson

Time: 7:04 p.m.

2) Motion to approve minutes of May 8, 2013 as recorded.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

3) Warrant # W45P approve and sign on Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$54,697.62 subject to further review. (MM abstain from Line with Jeanne Lindquist)

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

MM asked Kate Stacy to clarify some line items. She said they were refunds due to overpayment.

4) Warrant # W46B approve and sign on Vendor Warrant in the amount of \$47,263.53 subject to further review. (MM to abstain from Line with Jeanne Lindquist)

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Reserve Fund Transfer - MM explained how reserve fund requests are handled to SI. Request for payment is due to advertisement for public hearing. ZBA cannot predict how many hearings they will hold over the course of fiscal year.

5) Motion to approve and sign on request for Reserve Fund Transfer #13-07 in the amount of \$119.08 to the Zoning Board Expense Account.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Approval and Signatures on Ambulance Receivables Write-off. - MM explained this procedure to SI.

6) Motion to approve Ambulance Receivable Write-Off for \$1,067.01.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Annual Re-appointment of Joe Mazzola as Veterans' Agent. Mr. Mazzola explained some of his duties to the Selectmen and states he his willing to continue his position for another year.

Lillian Whitney questioned if this was supposed to be done before March 31st. Joe Mazzola responded No, it is done any time in April, cannot be done before March 31st per MGL and we have 60 days after April to get it done. She also questioned why appointments couldn't be made all at the same time every year. Mr. Mazzola explained to her and the Board why this is done the

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way it is. This is a Mass. General Law. Many positions have to be done at different times per MGL. Cannot re-appoint everyone at the same time every year.

- 7) Motion to Re-Appoint Joe Mazzola as Veterans' Agent for a one-year term ending April 30, 2014.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's designation of the Town Administrator as Liaison to the Ethics Commission. MM explained to SI what this is for and he states he has talked to Town Administrator and he is willing to serve in this capacity. Discussion regarding SI wanting to put a term on this appointment.

- 8) Motion to designate the Town Administrator as Liaison to the Ethics Commission until end of Town Administrator's contract.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's appointment of Kathleen O'Donnell as Special Counsel:

Kathleen would assist with Tax Title/Foreclosure properties.

SI would like to have a limit on her service to the Town. SI wants to restrict her term to only these 7 tax title parcels.

Kate Stacy addressed this with the Selectmen as to what this involves and that the appointment being limited to only these 7 parcels will make it difficult if other properties come up between now and the end of the appointed year term.

MM will explore what the statute of limitations on Town Counsel appointments is, if any, on this. SI says he spoke with Town Counsel and in City of Worcester they "sell their debt". MM pointed out for a third party to buy someone else's debt they must hike up the amount owed with additional fees in order to make a profit. This would make it even harder for our neighbors to rectify the foreclosure and try to get their house back and pay off the debt. SI states that is how it is done in Worcester. MM stated this is not Worcester.

- 9) Request for Selectmen's appointment of Kathleen O'Donnell as Special Counsel for a period of one-year ending on May 21, 2014.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

- 10) Motion to approve and sign on Special Town Election Warrant (4) to be held on June 25, 2013.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

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11) Motion to approve and sign on Special State Election Warrant (4) to be held on June 25, 2013 for Senator for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Any Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chairman: None

Assistant to the Board of Selectmen's Report:

Read by MM.

Memorial Day Activities posted on Town's website.

Position opened for NMRSD school committee.

Special Town Election date

Special State Election date

Absentee ballots available

Last day to register to vote

Meals on Wheels program

MART Shuttle Service

Vacancies in Town Government

MM states that meetings for feasibility study on High School Building are being held and encouraged residents to attend and get the information on the High School Building Project.

Monty Tech graduation date

Public Comments (If Any):

None

12) Motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Signed by: _____

Dates Minutes Approved by Board of Selectmen: _____