

Minutes
Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 4, 2005
Police Station Community Room
7:00 p.m.

Chair Person Hal Haberman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Select Board Persons Hal Haberman, John Papale, Brian Ashe and William Scibelli.

Also Present: Town Accountant Paul Pasterczyk, Recycling Commission Chairman Irwin Pers and Recycling Commission member Arlene Miller and members of the press.

Absent: Select Person Kathleen Grady and Interim Town Administrator Norman Thidemann.

Acceptance of Minutes:

The amended minutes of the November 22, 2004 Regular Meeting were not voted upon – one area of concern still existed where the Board felt the tape of the meeting should be reviewed for clarification. The minutes of the December 13, 2004 Regular Meeting were approved as read.

Visitor Comment and Questions:

No members of the public addressed the Board.

Committee Vacancy Interviews:

The Select Board met with Rob Kapner, applicant as an associate member of the Conservation Commission and Karen Lazeration, applicant as a member of the Historic District Commission. The Select Board voted to appoint both applicants to their respective positions for the remaining time of the term being filled. The Board recognized and thanked the applicants for their community involvement.

Recycling Commission:

Chairman Irwin Pers and member Arlene Miller were present. Ms. Miller highlighted the terms of the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) municipal agreement. The 10-year contract would provide the Town a guaranteed revenue share of \$15.67/ton along with additional revenue sharing provisions (contingent upon the market for recyclables). Based upon the Town's prior recycling tonnage it was estimated the Town would be receiving approximately \$30K annually plus any revenue sharing distributions. The new revenue stream created more incentive for the Town to do its very best when it comes to recycling. Ms. Miller also pointed out the waiver of the public education fee the Town would have to pay. The fee (\$.05/per capita) is waived if the Town signs the contract by the end of the month. The Board voted to enter into the agreement pending approval of Town Counsel and clarification of the revenue sharing provisions.

Ms. Miller updated the Board on the calendar year 2005 recycling and yard waste fees. There were no requested changes to the fee structure. Ms. Miller informed the Board of the issue with Bay Path College and their use of the Recycling and Yard Waste Center, given the broader issues with Bay Path College and the Town. The Select Board needed to address the issue of not-for-profit entities and their utilization of the Center.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Dog Officer Appointment:

The Board voted to appoint David L. Yoho as Dog Officer. The Board requested to meet with Mr. Yoho at some time in the near future.

Regular Meeting Dates:

The Board set their regular meeting schedule for the next few months as follows:

March 7 and 21

April 4 and 19

May 2 and 16

Consent Agenda:

One-Day Liquor License Application:

The Board voted to approve the Parks and Recreation request for a one-day liquor license on February 8, 2005 (for a wine-tasting course) contingent upon proper liability insurance being in place, and voted to waive the fee for the license.

Change of Address:

The Board voted to approve the change of address request from David and Lynn Thompson from 667 Wolf Swamp Road to Quinnehtuck Road (number to be determined).

Town Administrator Report:

None.

Correspondence:

None.

Adjournment:

The Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Pasterczyk
Town Accountant