

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

April 26, 2011
7:30 P.M.

Town Hall
Selectmen's Meeting Room

Present; Andy Porter, Chairman; William McColl, Vice Chairman; Jay Marsden, Clerk; Paul Le Beau, Town Administrator and Andrea Minihan, Administrative Assistant.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WARRANTS:

11-44	GENERAL WARRANT	\$ 132,695.71
	DEBT SERVICE TRUST (001)	\$ 614,687.50
	MEDICARE (001)	\$ 853.90
	ELDERLY TAX	\$ 1,734.37
	EXPENDABLE TRUST (722)	\$ 4,500.00
	PAYROLL	\$ 968,541.30
	TOTAL WARRANT	\$1,723,012.78

ACCOUNTANT'S NOTE:

ACCRUED DEDUCTION LIABILITIES NOT PAID

\$ 193,456.36

TREASURER'S NOTE:

WIRE TO HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST

\$ 160,739.71

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER ABSTAINED.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. McColl said the Holliston Newcomers Club is sponsoring a 5K road race on May 15, 2011. He said that they are looking for volunteers.

Mr. Marsden said that Public Safety day is May 7, 2011, at the Central Fire Station.

Mr. Porter said the youth Baseball, Softball parade will be on May 1, 2011. He also said that the Police Memorial Day will be on May 14, 2011. He said that if you are a candidate running for office, you should speak with the Building Inspector/Zoning Officer about the placement of signs. Mr. Porter said that they will be holding a fundraiser for the Prescott family whose child was just diagnosed with brain cancer.

There were no comments from the audience.

TOWN CLERK – REDISTRICTING

Jackie Dellicker, Town Clerk was present. She said now that the final figures are out by the Federal Government showing a decrease in the number of people in Town. She said that the precincts will not change.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2011, AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. PORTER. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. MCCOLL ABSTAINED.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2011, AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2011, AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

EAGLE SCOUT LETTER

Mr. Porter said that Marc Polank has reached the rank of Eagle Scout. Mr. McColl said that the Board will recognize his rank in a letter of congratulations.

PERMITS

Mr. Porter said that the Newcomers Club will be holding an event called Touch a Truck on June 11, 2011, at the Middle School.

MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO APPROVE AN EVENT PERMIT FOR THE NEWCOMERS CLUB ON JUNE 11, 2011, TOUCH A TRUCK. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE A PARADE PERMIT FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ON MAY 30, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE A PARADE PERMIT FOR RAGNAR. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

VEHICLE DEALER LICENSE HEARING – BELOW GAS CORPORATION AT 7:45 P.M., MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO OPEN THE CLASS II HEARING

Mr. Porter said that Detective Chuck Todd asked that the hearing be post-poned until he can finish his investigation.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO CONTINUE THE CLASS II HEARING UNTIL MAY 2, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

POLICE CHIEF – SERGEANT EXAM & METRO-LEC INITIATIVE

Chief John Moore said that the Sergeant's exam will be offered to any officer that wants to take it. Chief Moore said that test results will provide a list for 3 years.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO POST A NOTICE FOR THE NEXT CIVIL SERVICE SERGEANTS EXAM ON OCTOBER 11, 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

METRO-LEC INITIATIVE

Chief Moore said that this is a great program. He said that they would pick two applicants from the department who would be available for disasters. He said that they

would be trained and the cost of joining is around \$3,000 to join and then \$2,000 per year after that. Chief Moore said that Ashland and Millis are already members. He said that this is something that the State Police are involved with.

APPOINTMENT – MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPOINT DANIEL WETHERBEE TO THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO APPROVE THE SALE OF POPPIES AT ROSSINI CORNER ON MAY 28, 2011, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO NOON. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

PWED GRANT

Tom Smith, Highway Superintendant, was present. He said that the project at East Holliston went through Mass Highway. He said that there are funds available for lights at Washington Street, Woodland Street and High Street. He said there was a two year study on the traffic. Mr. McColl said that if we don't put in the lights and the State comes back and says that we need them, now we will have to pay for them. Mr. Smith said that it will cost about \$80,000 to put the lights in. He said that we have \$62,900 left in the PWED account, and those funds were set aside for the lights. Mr. Smith said that the lights would have to be up by June 30, 2011. Mr. Smith said that everything is there. They would have to put in the pedestal and wire the box. Mr. McColl said that if we do not do this with State funds, then we will have to pay for it ourselves. Mr. Smith said that the residents of East Holliston picked out the pedestals and the old fashion look of the light pole. Mr. Smith said that the lights were a condition of the State when the project started. Mr. Porter said that the residents of East Holliston should be notified. There will be a hearing about this at the May 16, 2011, meeting.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO OPEN THE TOWN MEETING WARRANT TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL ARTICLE FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

MR. MCCOLL READ AND MOVED TO APPROVE THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR AN INDEPENDENT STUDY TO COVER ALL EMPLOYEES WAGES AND BENEFITS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. TWO IN FAVOR. MR. PORTER ABSTAINED.

MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO CLOSE THE WARRANT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

Road acceptance hearing – Old Cart Path, Praying Indian Way, Tea Party Lane and Mohawk Path.

AT 8:15 P.M. MR. MARSDEN MOVED TO OPEN THE STREET ACCEPTANCE HEARING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MCCOLL. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Porter said that in a memo, Chief Moore said that there were no street lights at the intersections.

Mr. Smith said in a memo that there are several cracks in the road.

Karen Sherman, Town Planner, was present. Ms. Sherman said that they are holding a bond.

Mr. Porter read a memo from Scott Micelli from NSTAR with the intention of putting in street lights in the development.

Joe Antonellis, Town Counsel, said that they have given extensions in this project. He said that he has been assured that everything has been done except the street lights.

There was a brief discussion with the following Paul Beattie, Fafard Attorney; Geoff Zeamer, Conservation Commission and Planning Board; and resident Ben Kafka, of Mohawk Path.

AT 8:40 P.M., MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND RE-OPEN IT ON MAY 2, 2011, AT 8:00 P.M. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR.

AT 8:45 P.M., MR. MCCOLL MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MARSDEN. ALL IN FAVOR. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN.

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MR. PORTER	X	
MR. MCCOLL	X	
MR. MARSDEN	X	

MR. PORTER SAID A PUBLIC DISCUSSION MAY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL AFFECT ON THE TOWNS NEGOTIATIONS POSITION. HE SAID THAT EXECUTIVE SESSION WOULD LAST ABOUT 15 MINUTES.

AT 9:00 P.M., THE BOARD EMERGED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND MOVED TO ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Muzzy

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