

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BUTTERICK BUILDING
AUGUST 24, 2011 MINUTES

MEETING: Selectman Sushchuk called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call established that Selectman Sushchuk and Furmaniuk were present. Chairman Philpot was unable to make the meeting.

AGENDA: Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve the agenda as submitted. 2nd by Selectman Sushchuk. All in favor.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

APPOINTMENT: John Dwyer, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Conant Public Library, requested that the Board of Selectmen confirm the appointment of Erica Brennan as a Trustee of the Conant Public Library. Ms. Brennan would be replacing Sue Valentine until the election of May 2012. Mr. Dwyer made the motion to appoint Ms. Erica Brennan as a trustee, 2nd by Selectman Furmaniuk. All in favor.

APPOINTMENT OF
FAIR COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to appoint Judy Corbett, Tammy Mathews and Shirlene Hagan to the Fair Committee. 2nd by Selectman Sushchuk. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF
PERMITS:

Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve the 2nd Hand and Antique dealer's license for Blacksmith Antiques and Gifts and Sterling Rare Coin, 2nd by Selectman Sushchuk. All in favor.

Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve the common victualler licenses for the upcoming fair. (See attached list) 2nd by Selectman Sushchuk. All in favor.

Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve the vendor licenses for the upcoming fair. (See attached list) 2nd by Selectman Sushchuk. All in favor.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S

UPDATE: Ms. Ackerman informed the Board that a onetime new Reversion Bill of \$42,399 will be given back to the town in state aid. This additional money is based on a replacement of 7% reduction from last year's budget. She also informed the Board that the Quinn bill reimbursement has been eliminated for FY12.

Mr. Best has added 2 more steps to the repair of the Police Station as reported at the last meeting and Mr. Tom Rutherford will be performing that work. Selectman Sushchuk asked that Ms. Ackerman report to the Board with the timing of the completion of work.

Ms. Ackerman reported that the survey on Burpee Road is complete and shows that there is an encroachment to the town's right of way. The Superintendent of the Public Works will be

working with the land owner to widen the road. Ms. Ackerman will keep the Board of Selectmen updated.

7:15 PM

POLE HEARING:

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the application for a pole hearing for Jewett Road. Selectman Sushchik read the legal notice advertised and asked if there was anyone in the audience present to speak to the requested pole hearing. Mr. Paul Jones of 48 Princeton Road expressed his concern in regards to the poles being placed within the tree line along the road. Once informed that the placing of the poles would be consistent with the alignment of the existing poles Mr. Jones had no objections.

Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve the setting of two new poles on Jewett Road, 2nd by Selectman Sushchik. All in favor.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Ackerman announced that Sterling Fair is being held September 9-11. The Fair Committee is asking for one of the Board members to speak at the opening ceremony. She reminded the Board about the Legislative Breakfast being held and encourages the members to attend.

Ms. Ackerman reported on the MRPC Visioning Council and their efforts for applying for HUD grants. She asked the Board if they would be interested in hearing about the program and if they would be interested in joining the grant effort. The Board expressed interest in hearing about this Visioning Council effort at their next meeting.

Ms. Ackerman informed the Board that Rushing Rivers and Nestle Waters would like to do a presentation for the Board and the residents of Sterling. The Conservation Commission encouraged the Board of Selectmen to hold the hearing in Sterling. The Board agreed with the recommendation and voted to hold the presentation in Sterling, using the Selectmen's meeting room or Chocksett School. Ms. Ackerman suggested using a RSVP system to determine the space needs.

OLD TOWN HALL

DESIGN SELECTION

COMMITTEE:

The Selection Committee met with the Board of Selectmen and reported that there were 7 RFQ's from architectural and engineering companies submitted. Out of the seven they narrowed down the selection to three, the first being Menders, Torrey & Spencer, second was Reinhardt Associates and the third was Kang Associates. Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion with the advice of the Selection Committee to award the bid to Mender, Torrey & Spencer. The firm will be notified of the award and Ms. Ackerman will negotiate the contract.

AUDITOR'S REPORT
AND
MANAGEMENT

LETTER: Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to accept the report and management letter submitted from the auditors, 2nd by Selectman Sushchyk. All in favor.

SUPPLEMENTAL

TAX: The Board reviewed the memo from the Board of Assessors requesting them to vote on a so-called supplemental tax on certain new construction. In 2003 the Board of Selectmen opted out of the tax. The Board of Assessors is asking if they would like to revisit their decision. Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to approve and accept the tax based on the recommendations of the Board of Assessors. 2nd by Selectman Sushchyk. All in favor.

PARKING CLERK: The Board asked Ms. Henderson to brief them on her background and experience. She informed them she had worked with other municipalities on ticketing. After the Board asked some questions of Ms. Henderson Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to appoint Ms. Henderson, of 40 Holden Road, as Sterling's Parking Clerk. 2nd by Selectman Sushchyk. All in favor.

SENIOR SITE DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE: The Board voted to move the expansion of the charge for the Senior Site Development Committee to the next meeting.

GOALS: Due to the absence of Chairman Philpot Selectmen Sushchyk and Furmaniuk moved the discussion on the Selectmen and Administrator's goals to the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Selectman Furmaniuk made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM, 2nd by Selectman Sushchyk. All in favor.
The next Board of Selectmen's meeting will be August 31, 2011.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

RONALD A. FURMANIUK
CLERK