

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION –FEBRUARY 6, 2017

ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL

7:00PM

PRESENT: Chairman William D. Buckley; Selectmen Brian W. Murray, Esq.; William E. Kingkade Jr.; Town Administrator Richard A. Villani; and Minutes Recorder Jean M. DeTore.

1. Chairman Buckley called upon State Representative Murray to present a citation from the State House to Reagan McGrath in recognition of receiving the Voice of Democracy Award “My Responsibility to America” sponsored by the National VFW. Chairman Buckley also presented a citation from the Milford Board of Selectmen.
2. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.
3. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the Minutes of January 23, 2017 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.
4. INVITATION TO SPEAK – None
5. Mr. Edward Whitaker, South Bow LLC, 85 South Bow Street, was present requesting a Class II license. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To grant the Class II license with the following stipulation: 1. The total number of unregistered vehicles be limited to 12 at any one time, UNANIMOUS.
6. A Public Hearing was held at the request of National Grid regarding Plan #22118241 for Purchase Street. Mr. Michael Fraser, representing National Grid, was present. An abutter, Mr. Kyle Raposo, 39A Purchase Street, was also in attendance. He asked several questions regarding the location of the pole, timeline for prior notice of installation and loss of power. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the above Plan #22118241 as submitted with a seven (7)day notice of installation to abutters, UNANIMOUS.

7. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

1. Archer Rubber Demolition – I am informed by Deputy Fire Chief, Mark Nelson that the demolition has begun on the site. It is expected the building will be completely down this week.
2. Godfrey Brook FEMA Grant – I am pleased to report that Treasurer Chris Pilla has informed me the Town has received the Grant monies for the Godfrey Brook Project at Congress Terrace and Main Street. We received \$675,886.96 on January 20th. With this

reimbursement we have an approximate positive fund balance of \$75,135.00 which could be used toward a future phase of the Godfrey Brook project. Chris will now prepare an article to rescind the authorized and outstanding debt of \$1,100,000.00 at the May Town Meeting.

3. Town Hall Heater Project – The heaters on the ground floor of the Town Hall have been replaced with new high efficiency units. This should result in energy savings for the Town and reduced maintenance costs.
4. MS4 Litigation Update- I was asked to provide an update. I have been informed the appeals have been consolidated in the Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C. and we are still waiting for a briefing schedule.
5. Middle School East Building – As the Board members know, The School Committee voted to declare the Middle School East Building surplus effective June 30, 2017. We will now need to consider whether to market the building for sale rental or lease. We will also need to decide to budget for or sponsor an article to market the property as well as pay operating expenses going forward.

Chairman Buckley requested that a copy of the consultant's report for the Middle School East Building from the Cecil Group be provided to the members of the board and placed on the next agenda for discussion.

Mr. Murray expressed gratitude to Highway Surveyor Scott Crisafulli and former Town Engineer Vonnie Reis, for their well-coordinated efforts for the completed Godfrey Brook Replacement Project at Congress Terrace and Main Street. He further noted that this project signifies that through the combined efforts of Town Officials and Town Employees, grant monies from outside resources such as FEMA were received to maximize the reimbursement to the Town.

8. After reviewing the request from the Dennis B. Carroll, Chairman of the Personnel Board, requesting to fill the vacancies on the Personnel Board; Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Murray: To approve as requested and appoint Teresa Persico as a full time member and James Dorval as the Alternate, UNANIMOUS.

9. After reviewing Talent Bank applications to fill the three (3) vacancies on the Industrial Development Commission; Chairman Buckley noted that Steven Trettle wished to withdraw his application at this time. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Murray: To appoint Ryan P. Avery, Robert Bullock and Ronald Platukis to the Industrial Development Commission, UNANIMOUS.

10. Chairman Buckley requested that Town Administrator Villani obtain a definitive timeline from the Sewer, Highway and School Departments on any contemplation of installing solar panels on their buildings.

11. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To schedule the Annual Town Meeting for Monday, May 22, 2017 at 7:30PM with the Warrant opening, February 6, 2017 closing at 12 Noon on Thursday, March 2, 2017, UNANIMOUS.

12. The board reviewed correspondence from Police Chief O'Loughlin stating that the Massachusetts Department of Labor Standards conducted a workplace safety inspection and ordered that "School Zone", "No Parking" and "Crosswalk" signs be installed on Spruce Street. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the Police Chief's recommendation to:

1. Install "School Zone- 20MPH" in both directions Spruce Street. One of the signs can replace the existing "Reduce Speed School" sign.
2. Remove the "Reduce Speed School" sign.
3. Install a "No Parking" sign and eliminate the first parking space immediately south of the crosswalk on the Stacy Middle School side or northbound lane of the street.
4. Install "Pedestrian Crossing" sign on each side or in each direction at the crosswalk, UNANIMOUS.

Mr. Kingkade noted that he received several concerns from parents as to the amount of traffic and congestion at the crosswalk near Stacy Middle School and requested an update from the Police Chief regarding Traffic control and pedestrian crossing.

13. After reviewing correspondence from Police Chief O'Loughlin regarding a request for a SLOW "CHILDREN" sign at the Youth Center, Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the Police Chief's recommendation to install a SLOW "CHILDREN" sign on Pearl Street across from the Milford Youth Center, UNANIMOUS.

14. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To approve the request from the Memorial PTO for a 5K Fun Run on Saturday, May 13, 2017 starting at 10:00AM, UNANIMOUS.

15. Mr. Kingkade inquired about the possibility of renting Upper Town Hall for more functions such as weddings, etc. Town Administrator Villani noted that there are established rules and regulations for upper town hall and to date most of the rentals are for non-profit organizations. Chairman Buckley requested reviewing the rules and regulations at the next meeting.

16. Chairman Buckley requested that Town Administrator Villani provide articles, if any, for placeholders for the next town meeting regarding Middle School East whether they would be transfers from line items or budgeted for maintenance.

17. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

18. Mr. Murray moved, seconded by Mr. Kingkade: To adjourn the Selectmen's meeting at 7:44PM, UNANIMOUS. ROLL CALL VOTE: Chairman William Buckley; Selectmen Brian W. Murray, Esq.; William E. Kingkade Jr. all vote in the affirmative to go into Executive Session to discuss the Vernon Grove Union request, possible acquisition of the Water Company and Town Counsel contract negotiations.

Respectfully submitted:

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean M. DeTore
Minutes Recorder

William D. Buckley, Chairman

Brian W. Murray, Esq.

William E. Kingkade, Jr.