

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
October 15, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

Members present: First Selectman Michael Criss, Selectman Jon Truskauskas, and Selectman Frank Chiaramonte.

Attendees: Town Attorney Michael Rybak, Attorney William Tracy, Jason Emery, and Peter Thierry

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 1, 2013. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Public Participation

None

Appointments and Resignations

Mr. Truskauskas moved to appoint Timothy G. Wyllie Jr. as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals through November 5, 2013. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

New Business

Review draft of Ordinance Regulating Peddlers, Hawkers, Canvassers, etc.

Attorney Rybak modeled this ordinance after Thomaston's ordinance. The ordinance is under review by the town's state troopers and Troop L.

Review draft of Ordinance Concerning Redemption Fees for Impounded Animals.

This ordinance to increase pound fees is modeled after New Hartford's ordinance.

Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the above mentioned Ordinances subject to Resident Trooper Bill Arbour's review. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Attorney Rybak noted that a Blight Ordinance is in progress.

Mr. Criss suggested the "Junk Car" Ordinance be reviewed.

Pickett Brook Property, LLC-Equestrian Estates Subdivision, Plymouth Road- Review Performance Agreement and expiration date of subdivision per State Statute 8-26(c). Accept Subdivision Modification Agreement.

Whetstone Properties, LLC-Whetstone Estates West Subdivision, Whetstone Road- Performance Agreement and expiration date of subdivision per State Statute 8-26(c). Accept Subdivision Modification Agreement.

These are extensions of existing subdivisions under a statute that the legislature amended after the subdivisions were approved under the five year rule to give 9 years with a possible further extension of 14 years if needed. Both Pickett Brook and Whetstone were phased subdivisions in that the developer received approval for the all

the lots but not build until the market justified it. The initial construction phase was bonded where roads were built and then secured the performance guarantee with an agreement not to sell or transfer lots. The Performance agreement is to be extended to match the subdivision extensions that was done by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the performance extensions for both Pickett Brook and Whetstone Properties. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Review GM2 Survey regarding US Fish and Wildlife grant.

A survey was done by Bob Sterling on the Kaminski property. Originally the property was thought to be 4.25 acres. The recent survey shows the property as being 2.5 acres +/- . This may be due to the Army Corps of Engineers flowage maps that were done in the early 1960's for the dam may not have been that accurate. In lieu of this information the Town has reached out to the owners to negotiate a new price.

Harwinton Ambulance Association regarding funding for facility.

Chief of Harwinton Ambulance Association, Jason Emery reported he met with the apparent low bidder, Pac Group to see if there was any way to cut costs. Some items were lowered. The Ambulance Association has contributed \$110,000 of its own money to project to date. The Ambulance Building Committee came to a decision to request \$425,000 from the town with \$100,000 reimbursed back to the Ambulance Association.

Mr. Truskauskas has some questions for Pac Group he'd like answered. Mr. Criss asked Mr. Emery to contact the Pac Group to set something up quickly.

Mr. Criss would like to explore other grants for the facility for the emergency operations center.

Set Date for Town Meeting

Postponed

Request for Refund of Property Tax

Mr. Truskauskas moved to approve the following tax refunds. Heidi or Richard Szymanski, \$27.67. Honda Lease Trust, \$19.53. Honda Lease Trust, \$148.51. Damian Wesoly, \$97.84.

First Selectman's Report

Mr. Criss asked the Selectmen to review the report by the Recycling Task Force and give input.

Mr. Criss announced a grant was received by Region 10 for anti-bullying campaign.

Correspondence

The Selectmen reviewed September reports from the Fire Marshal and Animal Control Officer.

Adjournment

Mr. Truskauskas moved to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by _____
Melissa Santoro