

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
September 21, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

Board of Selectmen members present: First Selectman Frank Chiaramonte, Selectman Christina Emery, and Selectman Michael Criss.

Call to Order

Mr. Chiaramonte called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Criss and Ms. Emery moved to postpone approval of the minutes from the September 7, 2011 regular meeting until the October 5, 2011 meeting in order to review specific portions of the recording of the meeting. All were in favor.

Public Participation

None

Appointments and Resignations

None

New Business

Assessor Michele DaSilva to discuss open space designation:

The open space discussion took place during the Board of Selectmen/Land Use Meeting held one hour before this meeting. The Selectmen voted against the idea of taxpayers being able to donate excess land for the purpose of a tax reduction.

Request for Refund of Property Tax:

Mr. Criss moved to approve the following tax refunds: \$41.83 to Vernon Messenger, \$6.69 to Roger and Donna Plaskett, and \$11.33 to Roland Durocher. Ms. Emery seconded. All were in favor.

First Selectman's Report

Mr. Chiaramonte informed the Board that there is a Small Cities Grant that would provide low interest loans for residential home repairs. Larry Wagner, the town's grant consultant noted it would be approximately 1 ½ years before the town can apply and there will be a process to follow (workshops, public hearing, etc.). Mr. Chiaramonte would like to pursue this for the town when it becomes available.

Ms. Emery asked what happened to the idea of regionalizing dog warden services. Mr. Chiaramonte has not received any further information. He stated that Diane Dodge, the town's animal control officer has found someone interested in assisting her when she's unavailable.

Correspondence

The Selectmen reviewed the ACO's reports for July and August, 2011.

Mr. Criss moved to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Ms. Emery seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Santoro
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