

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

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

Attendees: Sal Bonola, Bud Wilkinson, Candace Jones-Pacholski, Don Truskauskas, Wes Seixas, Girvice Archer, Dan Delaney.

Call to Order

Mr. Criss called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Truskauskas moved to accept the minutes from the meeting held on February 7, 2012. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Public Participation

None

Appointments and Resignations

Mr. Criss received a letter of retirement from Town Clerk, Patricia Williamsen, who will be retiring March 23, 2012. Ms. Williamsen has been the town clerk since March 21, 1987. Because Ms. Williamsen will be retiring in mid-term, Mr. Criss consulted with Attorney Rybak and the Secretary of State regarding the status of her term. He discovered that the remainder of Ms. Williamsen's term must be filled by someone appointed by the Board of Selectmen who is also an elector of the Town. Mr. Criss provided the Selectmen with the state statute regarding vacancy of an elected official and requested each to bring to their respective parties in order to provide names for someone to fill the remaining term until January 2014. Mr. Truskauskas made a motion to accept Ms. Williamsen's retirement. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded, with regret. All were in favor.

Mr. Truskauskas moved to reconsider previous vote taken February 7, 2012 regarding appointments to the Economic Development Commission. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Criss reported he received an email from Christina Emery this morning expressing her interest in remaining on the EDC and her hope that regardless of who is appointed, the group will continue to work in the best interest of the town's small businesses. Mr. Criss thanked Ms. Emery for her service on the EDC for the last two years.

Mr. Criss referred to a new list of nominees for the EDC. Mr. Truskauskas made a motion to accept the names on the list. Mr. Chiaramonte read a statement explaining his reason for voting against the proposed membership to the EDC suggesting political reasons for the omission of Ms. Emery's name from the list. Mr. Truskauskas made a motion to accept the following nominees to serve on the Economic Development

Commission; Franci Tartaglino, Kerri Ouellette, Jonathan Sederquist, Tom Schoenemann, Steve Criss, John DiCarlo, and Frank M. Hickey. Mr. Chiaramonte voted nay, Mr. Criss moved in favor. Motion passed, 2 in favor, one nay.

Request for Refund of Property Tax
None

First Selectman's Report

Mr. Criss reported that all paperwork regarding the purchase of the former gas station for use as an ambulance facility has been filed and are currently awaiting Drake's acceptance of the contract. All safety concerns have been addressed. A closing date will be set upon acceptance.

Correspondence
None

Adjournment

Mr. Truskauskas moved to adjourn at 7:09 p.m. Mr. Chiaramonte seconded. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by _____
Melissa Santoro

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