

**Middleborough Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes**

January 6, 2014

Chairman opened meeting at 7:00 PM by inviting those in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were: Selectmen S. McKinnon, A. Frawley, B. Quelle, Leilani Dalpe, and J. Knowlton; Town Manager, C. Cristello and Executive Assistant J. Shanley.

UNANTICIPATED

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS

Chairman McKinnon offered thanks to the emergency services departments and the DPW for their hard work relative to last week's snowstorm.

Selectman Dalpe reminded the public that Christmas tree pickups will be this week and next on the same day as trash pickup.

Selectman Quelle offered that's to all the Town departments and the MG&E relative to their efforts during the recent snowstorm.

Selectman Knowlton reminded the public to sign up for the Code Red program so that they will be able to receive emergency information during storms and emergency situations.

MINUTES

To be voted on 1-13-14.

WARRANTS

Upon motion by Selectman Dalpe and seconded by Selectman Quelle, Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman, or his designee, to sign Warrants for week ending 1/3/14.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Chief Gates addressed Board. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Quelle, Board voted to approve Conditional Offers of Employment as Police recruits to:

- David M. Howard, Jr.
 - Matthew C. Mansir
 - Boaz S. McMahan
- with Kevin P. Frazier considered as an alternate candidate in the event one of the first three candidates fails any of the first three conditions, subject to the following conditions:
- Passing a physical/medical examination, including drug screening;
 - Passing the Physical Abilities Testing for entry to the police academy;
 - Passing a psychological examination; and
 - Successful completion of an M.P.T.C. Police Academy

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Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to send letter to David A. Marcondes and Robert H. Packard and authorized Chairman to sign related correspondence.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve the use of Town roads for the biking portion of the 8th annual Patriot Half Triathlon providing that any barriers used, being removable for emergency vehicle access, an emergency plan is in place, and with the understanding that the applicant take responsibility to clean the roads of any event related debris.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to set 2/28/14 as the deadline for submission of Annual Town Meeting articles.

Board postponed action on Betterment Agreement for 404 Marion Road in response to questions raised by Selectman Dalpe that there is no house located on this site.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to approve and sign license agreement for off Wareham Street property.

Board discussed goals, activities, and timeframes. Selectman Dalpe provided a PowerPoint presentation to update the Board and the public on the Tourism goal.

Brian Giovanoni suggested a five-year project to look at fixing roads. Town Manager suggested that we have to see what the Pavement Management study shows first.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager noted budget memo to department heads. He informed the Board that it looks like we will be able to balance the budget.

CORRESPONDENCE

#4 Selectman Knowlton offered his gratitude that the Fire department was awarded the SAFE grant.

#12 Selectman Quelle noted the Water Station Treatment Operator job vacancy & requirements.

#4 Selectman Quelle offered his thanks to Fire Chief Benjamino for obtaining the SAFE grant and continuing to educate the Town's children.

#13 Selectman Frawley read aloud correspondence re Taunton River Watershed 2014 Water Monitoring Team.

#2 Selectman Dalpe asked the Town Manager if it would be worth marketing the former Eastern Bank building to state agencies. Town Manager offered that it doesn't really work that way. Town Manager reviewed status of leasing that space.

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Upon motion by Selectman Quelle and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted by Roll Call to go into Executive Session to discuss Contract Negotiations for Non-Union Personnel, specifically, the Town Manager and Town Accountant and not to return into Open Session. Roll Call: J. Knowlton, Yes; A. Frawley, Yes; B. Quelle, Yes; L. Dalpe, Yes, and S. McKinnon, Yes. Ended at 8:30 PM.

Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
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