

**Middleborough Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes**

March 10, 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, L. Dalpe and J. Knowlton; Town Manager C. Cristello and Executive Assistant J. Shanley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Frawley broadcast a Happy 4th Birthday wish to his daughter Kennedy and presented Kennedy's request that the Board sing Happy Birthday to her. Board granted the request.

Selectman Quelle recognized eight-year-old resident Ella Morrison for beginning a charity by selling lemonade to raise money for Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to send a proclamation to Ella Morrison and invite her in, maybe next Monday night.

Chairman announced that Finance Committee Chairman Richard Pavadore will not run for re-election. Chairman McKinnon extended his sincere thanks for his many years of service noting that he has done a tremendous job. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Pavadore. Selectman Dalpe offered her thanks to Richard Pavadore, noting that she had served on the Finance Committee with him for three years.

Selectman Dalpe offered that she attended the 150th Anniversary of the May Flower Lodge and presented a proclamation on behalf of the Board.

Selectman Dalpe shared details of the upcoming Herring Festival.

MINUTES

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve the 3/3/14 regular meeting minutes.

WARRANTS

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman, or his designee, to sign the Warrants for week ending 3/7/14.

NEW BUSINESS

Jaime Meserve addressed Board. Upon Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to appoint Jaime Meserve as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a three-year term ending 6/30/17.

Selectman Dalpe explained she would like to appoint the originally suggested Alternate members of the Tourism Committee as Permanent members. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted the following appointments unanimously:

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- Helena Jean-Louis for a term of 1 year ending on 6/30/15
- Ted Eayrs for a term of 2 years ending on 6/30/16
- Sherri Swindle for a term of 3 years 6/30/17

Selectman Dalpe provided the scheduled events relative to the Herring Festival at Oliver Mill Park, the Library, & the Town Hall Ballroom from 4/11-4/13/14. Selectman Dalpe confirmed that the public safety departments have been contacted in regards to the events. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to approve sending letter of Support for Tourism Funding to state legislators as requested by Paul Cripps, Executive Director of Plymouth County Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Quelle, Board voted unanimously to approve a Second Hand License for Dymond Treasures, 5 Wareham Street, Suite B.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve a One-day Beer & Wine licenses for dates, as presented, for the Capeway Rover's Motor Cross race season:

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve the Capeway Rover's Motor Cross race dates as presented.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to approve a Sunday Entertainment license for Capeway Rovers M/C, as presented.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to award bid for borrowing re Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade to Century Bank for \$1,000,000.00 with a .40% interest rate.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to sign the Douglas F. Green to Middleborough P&S Agreement re Cross St. well site-land exchange.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to sign the Middleborough to Douglas F. Green P&S Agreement re Cross St. well site-land exchange.

School department Director of Business & Finance, Kathy Piatelli, addressed the Board. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to approve one (1) Statement of Interest re MA School Building Authority and: **Resolved:** Having convened in an open meeting on March 10, 2014, the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Middleborough, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the

Superintendent, Roseli S. Weiss, Ed.D., to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated no later than April 11, 2014 for the Middleborough High School located at 71 East Grove Street which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future

Priority # 1 – Health and Safety Conditions

- Interior classrooms are unhealthy and detrimental to learning.
- Handrails and stairs do not have the code required guard configuration
- It is likely that mold/mildew exists in concealed spaces in the area of the kitchen given the evidence of water infiltration
- Blisters/bubbles over 1” high are a tripping safety hazard
- Asbestos floor tiles and/or mastic. Asbestos is also suspected at above ceiling piping
- Handicap ramp at Auditorium is not code compliant
- There is only a single male and single female toilet room which meets ADA requirements. This is insufficient.
- There are dark and unsafe areas along the outside perimeter of the building
- Electrical system distribution is antiquated and beyond its useful life
- The existing electrical service size is inadequate for the current educational program
- The current emergency generator does not meet code. The generator is interior and not located in a rated enclosure, additionally; the stand-by and life safety services are not isolated from each other.
- Emergency lighting systems are not properly isolated from other electrical services
- The electrical distribution lacks code required surge protections
- Electrical outlets at the islands within the Science labs lack code required GFCI receptacles
- The main electrical panel on the auditorium stage is being serviced with an extension cord from another location
- Various locations continue to be serviced by incandescent lighting
- Many locations continue to be served by T-12 lamps
- Ventilation systems are beyond their useful life.
- Nearly all (30+) egress/exit points are unmonitored

Priority # 2 - Elimination of existing severe overcrowding.

Our current facility restricts our ability to fulfill our mission. Constraints involve space, equipment and technology. The classroom environment has changed. In an effort for us to provide a 21st century learning environment we have converted three (3) classrooms into computer labs. There are eight (8) classrooms which have been taken over for specialized instruction; Special Education programs, Alternative High School, Severe Special Education

classrooms and the LINKS Program. This leaves us with eleven (11) less instructional classrooms.

Priority #3 - Prevention of the loss of accreditation.

A Commission visit in April 2013 prompted the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges to place Middleborough High School on warning status for facility based issues.

Priority #5 – Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. The present boiler system is original equipment that was installed when the schoolhouse opened in 1971. Despite on-going maintenance to maintain the current system, a modernization of this nearly 40 years' old technology will result in significant efficiencies and cost savings. Single pane, original windows in 25% of the building result in rain and wind coming into the classrooms. The original ventilation system is inadequate, loud and obtrusive. The electrical capacity is inadequate to provide a 21st century learning environment. There is a lack of power, outlets and data drops throughout the whole building.

Priority #7 – Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

Our accreditation warning includes concerns with antiquated science labs, high class sizes and inadequate space for health services, conferences with parents, and storage. An addition may provide for immediate storage and meeting concerns but will not address the structural deficiencies we face in bringing a 21st century learning environment to our students;

and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town of Middleborough to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

CERTIFICATIONS

The undersigned hereby certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief, the statements and information contained in this Statement of Interest and attached hereto are true and accurate and that this Statement of Interest has been prepared under the direction of the district school committee and the undersigned is duly authorized to submit this Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority. The undersigned also hereby acknowledges and agrees to provide the Massachusetts School Building Authority, upon request by the Authority, any additional information relating to this Statement of Interest that may be required by the Authority.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to make Zoning map modifications as requested by the Water department.

Town Clerk Allison Ferreira addressed the Board to present her request for the Board's signature of the CPA Project Agreement for the Archival Review. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to sign the CPA Project Agreement.

HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES

Hearing (continued from 2/24/14) re Earth Removal permit application filed by GAF Engineering on behalf of Riverrock Realty Trust for 288 Thompson Street. Town Manager explained that the applicant request a one-week continuation. Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to continue the hearing to 3/17/14 at 7:30 PM.

Town Accountant Steve Dooney addressed Board to present his report.

Board and the following departments conducted the following (General Government) Budget Reviews:

- Law Department – Town Counsel Daniel Murray presented.
- Zoning – Town Manager Charles Cristello presented.
- Town Accountant – Town Accountant Steve Dooney presented.
- Assessors – Assessor/Appraiser Barbara Erickson presented.
CORRESPONDENCE Item #10 re Town of Dartmouth solicitation to Towns re Modification w/in State Tax Classification. Ms. Erickson provided Board with the history re this matter coming before the Board of Selectmen in the past.
- Town Clerk – Town Clerk Allison Ferreira presented.
 - ❖ Elections & Registrations – Town Clerk Allison Ferreira presented.
- Treasurer/Collector – Treasurer/Collector Judy MacDonald presented.
 - ❖ Debt Service - Treasurer/Collector Judy MacDonald presented.
 - ❖ Employee Fringe Benefits - Treasurer/Collector Judy MacDonald presented.
 - ❖ Unclassified - Treasurer/Collector Judy MacDonald presented.
- Finance Committee – Chairman Richard Pavadore presented.
Mr. Pavadore offered that he has enjoyed his years serving on the Finance Committee. Chairman McKinnon offered his appreciation for Mr. Pavadore’s service. Mr. Pavadore presented a brief report outlining the charge of the Finance Committee. Selectman Knowlton offered his thanks to Mr. Pavadore. Selectman Frawley also thanked Mr. Pavadore and Finance Committee Secretary Suzanne Dube for their service to the Town.
- Conservation Commission – Conservation Vice Chairman Debbie Kirsch presented.
Selectman Quelle left meeting at 8:48 PM. Selectman Quelle returned to meeting at 8:55 PM. Chairman asked Town Manager to send letter to Senator Pacheco and our State Representatives.
- Historical Commission – Commission Chairman presented.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager reviewed the status of the Board's 2013-1014 goals.

CORRESPONDENCE

#9 Selectman Dalpe asked if we could post NSTAR's herbicide application schedule to the web.

Town Manager agreed. Conservation Co-Chairman Debbie Kirsch offered that Conservation could do spec sheets to notify/warn residents, especially those with pets/animals.

#10 Selectman Quelle offered that it was good to get some feedback on this (Town of Dartmouth-Modification w/in State Tax Classification).

#11 Selectman Quelle noted the FY Bristol Plymouth Budget. Selectman Quelle offered his thanks to Mr. Pavadore for his many years of service to the Town.

#3 Chairman McKinnon noted MBTA Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for 3/19/14.

#5 Selectman Frawley noted the S. Shore Recycling Cooperative 15th Anniversary Tour, Luncheon & Awards will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014.

Upon motion by Selectman Knowlton and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:34 PM.

Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
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