

**Middleborough Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes**

**March 18, 2013**

Chairman opened meeting by inviting those in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were: Selectmen A. Rullo, A. Frawley, S. Spataro, B. Quelle, and S. McKinnon, Town Manager C. Cristello and Confidential Secretary J. Shanley.

**UNANTICIPATED**

Selectman McKinnon asked Town Manager for an update on Valley Road. Town Manager offered that DPW Director A. Bagas has been working on the matter.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/RECOGNITIONS**

Chairman offered thanks from the Braga family to Town Hall staff members Jackie Shanley and Caroline LaCroix for their assistance in securing the Town Hall building & One-day liquor license for the family gathering on 3/16/13. The Braga family additionally offered its appreciation to the Police department for the respectful manner in which it handled the accident scene. Chairman Rullo offered his thanks to Mr. Branagan and Student Council for cleaning up Town Hall after the family gathering.

Selectman Frawley thanked the Herring Run Commission members for clearing out a fallen tree from the river just below the dam. He noted that they did this without being asked and that they do a terrific job.

**WARRANTS**

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman, or his designee, to sign this week's warrants.

**MINUTES**

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Quelle, Board voted to approve 3/11/13 regular meeting minutes. Four in favor. Selectman Spataro abstained.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted to approve the E.S. 3/11/13 E.S. meeting minutes. Four in favor. Selectman Spataro abstained.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to add an article to the ATM Warrant submitted by the Peirce Trustees re appointment of Robert M. Desrosiers as Trustee.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to close the ATM Warrant.

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Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to approve a One-day All Alcoholic beverages liquor license retroactive to 3/16/13 from 1 PM to 6 PM at Town Hall.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to approve the new Access Path name “Reedy Path” in place of “Reedy Way”.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to re-appoint Constance (Connie) Miller to the Agricultural Commission for a three-year term ending 6/30/16.

Chairman read aloud draft letter from the Board to the Town’s Legislative Delegation re infrastructure funding. Motion made by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Rullo, for discussion, to support sending the letter to the delegation. Selectman McKinnon stated his reasons for not supporting sending the letter. Chairman spoke in support of the letter. Selectman Spataro reported that he learned the Town of Middleborough is #4 on the SRPEDD list. Judy Bigelow-Costa asked for clarity. Chairman explained that, if this Bill passes, they will increase Chapter 90 monies by \$300,000,000 per year for the State, which means \$800,000 more per year for the Town of Middleborough and this money would help us to maintain our local roads. Selectman McKinnon noted that we aren’t being given a number. Motion made by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman McKinnon to amend previous motion and table the matter until there is a Bill that is more specific. Three in favor. Selectmen Rullo and Frawley opposed.

**HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES**

Dan Badger Director of Badger Wilderness Guides, a non-profit outdoor education and recreational organization, addressed the Board re Community Service/Nemasket River Stewardship project. They would like to clean up the river for recreational use and provide “Leave No Trace” training as a gift to the community. He offered that he was here to ask for community involvement. They have grant funding in place through a couple of local banks, the American Canoe Association and will be getting further funding from some additional organizations.

Judy Bigelow-Costa offered support of Mr. Badger, speaking highly of him, noting that he has an extensive background in water and highly suggested that we accept his offer. Selectman Frawley volunteered his services and suggested he also go before the Lakeville Selectmen. Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted to support.

Soule Homestead Annual Report

Frank Albani presented the Soule Homestead Annual Report to the Board. Education Director Laurie Amberman also participated in the presentation. It was noted that Soule Homestead will be holding its annual Electronics & Recycling day in the Town Hall parking lot on 4/13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The website address for Soule Homestead is: [www.soulehomestead.org](http://www.soulehomestead.org).

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Environmental Partners Group, Inc. re ATM Article 15 (Wastewater Treatment Facility-Upgrade)  
Owner's Project Manager (OPM) Paul Millett, of Environmental Partners Group, Inc. gave presentation. A question and answer period ensued. Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to support Article 15. Town Manager announced that there will be a site visit to the plant on the morning of April 6, 2013.

Town Manager's Job Performance Evaluation

Chairman gave an overview of the Town Manager's Job Performance Evaluation, noting that Mr. Cristello had received an overall rating of 2.7 out of 3. Board members offered individual comments. Town Manager offered his appreciation to the Board.

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Town Manager noted correspondence from Town Counsel to Building Commission R. Whalen advising him that Notice and Preliminary Injunction has been filed with the court re Shawn M. Tracey and Judi-Ann Tracey, 84 River Street and Auburn Street.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

#2 Selectman Frawley noted the Habitat For Humanity Annual Art Gala on 5/3/13.

#5 Selectman Quelle noted correspondence re Middleborough Landfill.

Town Manager noted that Middleborough will hold its own Household Hazardous Waste Collection soon.

Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman Spataro, Board voted unanimously to adjourn meeting at 9 PM.

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Jackie Shanley, Confidential Secretary  
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