

# **MINUTES**

**For approval at the 11-5-12 meeting**

**Middleborough Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes**

October 22, 2012

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

In attendance were: Selectmen A. Rullo, A. Frawley, S. Spataro, and S. McKinnon, and Town Manager C. Cristello.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Selectman Frawley announced that the Taste of Middleborough will be held on Wednesday. Chairman announced he appreciated the cards and good wishes he received regarding his health. He also recognized his mother who was watching tonight's meeting.

**MINUTES**

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted to approve the 10/15/12 meeting minutes. Three in favor. Chairman abstained.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to appoint Arlyn White as a member of the Cultural Council for a term of three years, effective 10/22/12.

Chairman Rullo read aloud letter from Greg and Jen Thomas re the 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Middleborough Christmas Parade. Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to approve, subject to all requirements by the Fire Chief being adhered to.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to declare Water department vehicle, VIN #1GTCS14X3TK527415, as surplus.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to approve recommendation for new traffic control sign on Starr Avenue northbound at Montello Street.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to approve recommendation for new traffic sign on Mill Street at Clayton Road, northbound at Clayton Road. Selectman McKinnon mentioned to the Town Manager that a speed sign is missing on Center Street coming from Anderson Avenue, 50' before the bridge. Town Manager responded that the Town loses many signs each year to vandalism.

Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to approve disposal of I.T. surplus computer equipment.

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Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman Frawley, Board voted unanimously to authorize the agreement with the MA Department of Transportation (D.O.T.) for the East Main Street improvements.

**HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES**

C.O.A. Director Andrea Priest reviewed the Senior Tax Work-off program. She is recommending the expansion of the program by an additional ten participants. If there were 20 slots, with trained seniors, they could repeat their assignments and provide greater service to the Town departments. These services are provided to fourteen participating departments. There could actually be room for 28 seniors. There were over 300 hours donated by the senior volunteers in excess of the hours for which they were paid.

Barbara Erickson spoke about the availability of funds in the Overlay account for the Senior Tax Work-off program. Every year there is upwards of \$80,000 left over in the Overlay account. Upon motion by Selectman Spataro and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to expand the program to 20 positions.

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Town Manager announced that the Board will begin paperless meetings next week and convert to iPads. He also mentioned that the project to put accrued time on employee paychecks through the payroll system was on schedule and will be fully implemented in January as promised.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Selectman Frawley mentioned that the Taunton River Watershed Alliance Annual Meeting is November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Selectman McKinnon noted thank you letter of recognition by the DAR re the proclamation that the Board had provided honoring Constitution Week.

Brian Giovanoni mentioned the Halloween costume ball fundraiser to be held by the Middleborough Friends on 10/27/12 in the Town Hall ballroom to benefit the Victor Sylvia scholarship.

Leonard's Auto, LLC, 40 Wareham Street, Class II Automobile Dealer's license application  
(continued from 10/15/12)

At 7:49 PM Chairman continued hearing from 10/15/12. Attorney Adam Bond presented the Certified mail cards signed by abutters. He also read the ZBA Decision regarding the zoning issues and WRPD special permit issues. Attorney Bond asked if the Board could issue the permit this evening. Town Manager explained that he had to prepare the proper vote based on the ZBA Decision. Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Spataro, Board voted unanimously to continue to 10/29/12 @ 7:30 PM.

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Upon motion by Selectman Frawley and seconded by Selectman McKinnon, Board voted unanimously to adjourn meeting at 7:50 PM.

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Jackie Shanley, Confidential Secretary  
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