

**OPEN MEETING
MINUTES OF
AUGUST 6, 2012**

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Monday, August 6, 2012 @ 7 p.m.**

**H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MOS**

Selectman Lawrence Chaffee was not in attendance

Chairman Kimball read:

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OPEN FORUM

TA Chiocca updated the BOS on 3 items of interest to Rockland.

-The repair of the Studley (Reeds) Pond Dam under Route 123 was included in the recent Transportation bill passed by the Legislature.

-The Chapter 90 appropriation has finally been released for road repairs.

-He updated the BOS and public on the events and cooperation which will cause the proposed Senior center project to be relocated from Albion Street to Plain Street on vacant Park Department land.

Item # 10 taken out of Order

10. Senior Center update

~TA Chiocca updated the BOS and public on the decision to relocate the site of the planned Nyman Senior Center from Albion Street to Plain Street. Senior Center Building Committee Chairman John Rogers praised the cooperation of the many individuals and committees involved in changing the proposed location to Park property on Plain Street. State Representative Nyman informed the BOS of the passage of the Legislation which allowed the use of Park Department property.

Roads Project

~TA Chiocca informed the BOS the next phase on the Roads project would be going to bid and hopefully the project could start up again in the fall. The first phase which was anticipated for this year went more quickly than anticipated and Rockland now needs to bid the next year or so of the projected reconstruction.

MINUTES

2. Open Session Minutes of June 4, 2012

MOTION to approve by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Johnson passed 3-0-1(Minahan).

3. Open Session Minutes of June 18, 2012

MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Minahan passed 3-0-1(O'Brien).

4. Executive Session Minutes of June 18, 2012

MOTION to approve, not to be released until all matters are resolved, by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Minahan passed 3-0-1(O'Brien).

5. Open Session Minutes of July 9, 2012

Tabled until September 4, 2012

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. Appointments

~Rent Control Board-Dan Direnzo

MOTION to approve the appointment of Mr. Direnzo to complete the term vacated by the resignation of Mike Reed ending in 2014 by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Minahan passed 4-0.

~Joint Meeting with Library Trustees to fill Vacancy-Richard Tetzlaff

MOTION to approve the appointment of Richard Tetzlaff as recommended by the Library Trustees until the next annual election approved by Roll Call vote 7-0.

Board of Library Trustees, Looney-Yes, Foley-Yes and Heffernan-Yes. BOS, Minahan-Yes, Johnson-Yes, O'Brien-Yes, and Kimball-Yes.

7. Community Center Report

TA Chiocca updated the BOS regarding the Community Center. He indicated he was working with Youth Director Karen Guerrette, Community Center Coordinator Richard Furlong and Town Accountant Eric Hart to assemble a complete report on the cost of the building operations maintenance and programs provided. Mr. Chiocca also stated the Town may have to appoint a committee to evaluate the future of the Community Center Building.

8. Uptown Revitalization-Daron Synder

The Uptown Revitalization group is planning to sell advertising banners on utility poles lining the Union Street business district. There was also discussion of the upcoming Fall Festival on September 29th.

9. Toll Booth request-Daria Rindone

A request was made by Daria Rindone on behalf of the High School Cheerleading team to host a Toll Booth fundraiser on Saturday September 8th or rain date of September 15th. The BOS requested Ms. Rindone work with the Rockland P.D. to work out the details for 2 locations. MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. O'Brien passed 3-1(Minahan).

NEW BUSINESS

10. Senior Center update (See previous Open Forum).

11. Mike's Pizzeria Entertainment License

MOTION to approve by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Minahan passed by 4-0

12. Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Committee-

MOTION By Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Minahan to approve Rockland Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Committee request for Toll Booth Fund raiser on October 20, 2012 and to limit the locations to 3 spots and not 5 as requested. The Rockland P.D. to coordinate the sites. Motion passed 3-1(Minahan).

13. Harbor to the Bay

Discussion took place regarding the route, and whether the route actually goes through Rockland.

MOTION to approve by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Minahan passed 4-0.

14. Sewer Department Monitoring program

Mr. Chiocca read a notice from the Sewer Department regarding a leak detection program in Rockland.

15. Special Employee designation 19 B 2-

discussion delayed awaiting Attorney Clifford.

16. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

~Rockland Little League requested all permit fees be waived for the construction of a storage shed at the Spring Street Fields. Approved 4-0

~Read a Thank You to the Police & Fire Depts after an injury at the Ball field.

~TA Chiocca read an announcement regarding the Taxation Aid Program

~Pam Murphy wrote a Thank You for recent assistance of the Fire Dept.

~Announced the team of Allan Chiocca, Kevin Chiocca, Patrick Derov, and Tom Foley successfully defended their title at the annual Kiwanis Golf Tournament

~Fee Study is ongoing.

SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Kimball read:

"Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member."

Mr. Minahan -No Comments

Mr. Johnson

-Rockland Hockey Team hosting a Dogs Dash 5K Road Race

-Reminded everyone of the upcoming ribbon cutting Open House at the new Rockland Middle School.

-Discussed the filming of "Michael Archangel" movie in Rockland.

Ms. O'Brien

-Announced upcoming fundraiser for John Shipper and Tom Hurley whose houses were struck by lightning during a recent storm.

Mr. Chiocca spoke to praise the actions of the Fire, Police and Highways departments during the recent lightning storm.

Item previously postponed awaiting Attorney Clifford, now revisited.....

15. Special Municipal Employee designation 19 B 2 request

After much discussion by the Town Administrator, Town Attorney, and the BOS the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

~MOTION to table until next meeting by Mr. Minahan, 2nd by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS continued

Mr. Kimball

- Reminded everyone of upcoming primaries.**
- Please attend the Open House at new Middle School**
- Road project has started**
- School starts September 4, 2012**

EXECUTIVE SESSION for Negotiations Strategy Discussion

MOTION to go into executive session by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

**Allan R. Chiocca
Town Administrator**

**Deborah A. O'Brien, Vice Chairman
for the Rockland Board of Selectmen**

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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