

Minutes of September 8, 2009

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tuesday, September 8, 2009 7 p.m.
H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MOS for Elizabeth Taylor Kulikowski**

OPEN FORUM

~ Chief John Llewellyn spoke regarding process used to fill the vacancy in the Police Department caused by the retirement of Lieutenant Ashton. Chief Llewellyn announced the appointment of Nicholas Zeoli.

~ Lieutenant Zeoli spoke to the BOS and said he looked forward to the challenge and opportunity

~Highway Superintendent Robert Corvi thanked Dave Saucier from Guidelines Paving for the bulldog emblem in the new crosswalks which were repainted for the beginning of school.

Spring and Beech Streets will be redone with Chapter 90 funds.

- 1. Open Session Minutes-June 2, 2008
Motion to accept by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Mr. Simpson 4-0-1(Johnson)**
- 2. Executive Session Minutes- August 3, 2009
Motion to accept by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Mr. Zupkofska 5-0**
- 3. Open Session Minutes- August 3, 2009
Motion to accept by Ms. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. Chaffee 5-0**
- 4. Open Session Minutes-June 15, 2009 Tabled 7/13, and 8/3
Motion to table Mr. Chaffee 2nd Mr. Zupkofska 5-0**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. **No Item**
6. **No Item**
7. **Stimulus Grant-Downtown Sidewalks**
Wayne Darragh spoke regarding the announcement of the \$999,900 grant for sidewalks through the Federal Stimulus package which reflects the Town of Rockland's FY08 CDBG request.
Mr. Darragh requested \$6,000 be transferred from the HUD program income account
~Motion to approve the transfer of up to \$6,000 by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Ms. O'Brien, passed 5-0.
8. **No Item**
9. **No Item**
10. **No Item**

NEW BUSINESS

11. **Energy Committee-Credits**
Presentation by Carol Perilli and Mike Mullen of the Energy Committee to request transfer of Rockland's energy credit funds to pre approved projects.
~Motion by to approve \$3,517.71Mr. Zupkofska, 2nd by Ms. O'Brien 5-0
12. **Appointments**
Robert Curran of Whitman as Building Inspector as an alternate to Tom Ruble
~Motion to approve by Mr. Chaffee 2nd by Mr. Simpson 5-0
Gary Young as alternate Gas Inspector
~Motion to table by Mr. Zupkofska, 2nd by Mr. Johnson 5-0
William E. Stewart as Gas Inspector
~Motion to approve by Mr. Zupkofska, 2nd by Ms. O'Brien 5-0
John R. Melvin to the Memorial Committee
~Motion to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Ms. O'Brien 5-0
13. **Vacancy Library Trustees**
Mr. Chiocca announced the vacancy on the Library Trustees and requested applicants. The BOS and the Library Trustees will jointly meet at the September 21, 2009 meeting to fill the vacancy until the next annual election.
14. **Aygila License**
~Motion to open hearing by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Mr. Zupkofska 5-0.
The owners addressed the BOS regarding their All Alcohol application.
~Motion to close the hearing by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd Ms. O'Brien 5-0.

~Motion to approve provided all employee involved with Alcohol are TIPS trained by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Mr. Zupkofska 5-0.

15. Citizens Scholarship Toll Booth

~Motion by Mr. Zupkofska to approve toll booths on September 26, 2009 with a rain date of October 3, 2009 2nd by Ms. O'Brien 5-0.

16. Green Communities Grant Award

Mr. Chiocca informed the BOS Rockland has been awarded a grant to fund planning assistance to help Rockland meet the Green Communities Qualification Criteria.

17. through 29. No items

30. CORRESPONDENCE

~ A letter was read from the Jeff Najarian, President of the Rockland Allied Veterans Council requesting Mr. McGee right the U.S. Flag he is flying upside down.

~The BOS and audience were reminded everyone of the Freedom Walk scheduled for 9-11 and the Bicentennial track.

~It was noted the South Shore Recycling Cooperative is having a Household Hazardous products collection for Hanover and Rockland on October 10, 2009 at the Hanover transfer station from 9am to 1pm.

~ A letter from Andy Triantaffelow was read thanking Firefighters Wayne Del Prete, Marc Oshry, Edward O'Dea, Thomas Heaney, and Police Officer Jim Simpson for their assistance during his recent medical emergency.

~A letter was read from the Jefferson School thanking Lieutenant Zeoli, Officers Steven Somers, Sue Llewellyn and David Langill.

~A letter from Superintendent John Retchless thanking Highway Superintendent Robert Corvi for his help with the crosswalks.

~Mr. Chiocca thanked Ken Dunn and the School Maintenance Department for the outstanding job they did on the Town Hall floors.

~Read a thank you for the tollbooth fundraiser from the Rockland Special Education Parent Advisory Council.

SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS

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.

Deborah O'Brien

- Mentioned the upcoming Plymouth County Business Review article regarding Rockland.
- Discussed the barrels and signs at Reed's Pond.
- Spoke regarding recent attendance at regionalization Conference at Holy Cross.
- Thanked Robert Rice for efforts gaining Green Communities Grant.

Michael Johnson

- Welcomed everyone back from summer.
- Discussed meeting with the Charter Committee
- Spoke regarding process and progress of the School Building Committee
- Request for more volunteers for Charter and Finance Committees
- Thanked Robert Rice, Deb O'Brien and TA Allan Chiocca for gaining the Green Communities Grant

Michael Zupkofska

- Mentioned meeting with the Charter Committee
 - Spoke regarding Project Labor Agreements and Resident Ordinance Agreements on the pending School Building project.
 - Discussed implementation of EventKeeper.
- Mentioned Ken Karlson, VFW island, and DA's request for minutes.

Lawrence Chaffee

- Thanked the School Department for Town Hall floors being waxed and polished.
- Invited Chief Dipoli to speak about his first month on the job.
- Suggested review of permitting process to sell Christmas Trees.
- Invited John Rogers to provide update of School Building Committee. Mr. Rogers explained the current reimbursement rate and discussed the possibility of increasing the rate of reimbursement. John Retchless mentioned how quickly the committee has pulled the project together and the possibility of resolving building needs for 8 grades.
- Invited participation on the School Building Committee
- Motioned Mr. Zupkofska facilitate the implementation of EventKeeper, Mr. Zupkofska declined. *Therefore Mr. Chaffee withdrew his motion.*

James Simpson

- Discussed the Rent Control Board court appearance and the need for additional committee members.
- Asked for a list of all opening on town committees.
- Discussed Charter Committee meeting and discussions.
- Announced hearing to set the Tax Rate classification for SSTTDC.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Simpson, 2nd by Mr. Chaffee to go into negotiations with non union personnel not to reconvene. Roll Call vote 5-0.

Allan R. Chiocca
Town Administrator

Lawrence J. Chaffee, Vice Chairman
Rockland Board of Selectmen

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