

TOWN OF MILLBURY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

October 11, 2022

6 PM

Present: Mary Krumsiek, Katie McKenna, Scott Despres, Chris Naff

Absent: Dave Delaney

Zoom: Bruce DeVault, Jeff Raymond, Fran DeSimone, Stewarts Maxine, Brian Lewos, Maxine, James, Linda Mayo, Cassie, Steve V, 11 Rice Rd, Doug, 3 Thomas Hill Rd , Arthur iphone, Claire Despres

Citizens Speak

Terry Burke Dotson of 20 Salo Terrace asked to schedule a meeting about the municipal parking lot and discuss possible changes for the lot.

Fran Desimone of 1 Weldon Dr stated that multiple apartments have been built on Howe Ave, Park Hill Ave, Canal Ave, Burbank St, but they don't increase revenue to the Town. We should resist on 40 B for Rice Rd and the MBTA rule. We may lose grants but we should just rezone 50 acres. Sutton isn't complying and we shouldn't either.

John of 9 Rice Rd asked if the Board plans on taking land for the housing project because eminent domain is an exception not the rule.

Chief Lewos informed about the yield sign going on Howe Ave. This will reduce accidents as people will slow down. They will post about it on social media, put yield ahead sign and paint on the road as well. Selectman Naff asked that is there a consideration to put up signs about the flow of traffic. Keith stated that the best solution was to slow the traffic instead of putting a stop sign. Sean stated it adds more safety. Steve Sterns stated that a yield sign won't work and a stop sign would be better, Selectman Naff agreed. Chief Lewos stated that the repaving the road increased accidents. Keith added it was a tough decision. Selectman Naff asked if we can look at the data of accidents because the sign would impact the traffic pattern. Selectman McKenna asked if we could fix the pavement, Keith stated yes we did fix but the color of the asphalt is the issue, the yield sign would have the less impact on traffic. Bruce Devault added he almost hit someone on Howe Ave because the car in front of him stopped, maybe some indication of the change or flashing lights would be beneficial. Jeff Raymond asked if there is a consideration for a rotary there. Selectman Naff stated that it would cost a lot and be a big project, a traffic and accident study would be good. Keith stated the yield sign would be a fast and low impact change. Fran Desimone stated that he is been in town for 46 years and the street has never changed, people have accidents because they don't pay attention. Selectman Naff asked to postpone the change and have an accident study. Decisions should be brought to board before they are made.

Mattress recycling services-Keith Caruso & Jayne Marie Davolio

Keith stated starting November 1st we can't talk mattress to Wheelabrator, he reached to a couple companies that will recycle them for the Town. Its a charge. The mattresses need to be clean . Tough Stuff has a cost of \$80 covers the removal, storage and disposal of mattresses. The transfer station attendant will determine whether the mattress is acceptable. The issue is that where will we dispose of the dirty mattresses, we need clarification from the state on that. The second company, Green Mattress, Keith looked at them, however, they was more expensive, we would have to charge residents \$55 instead of \$40 but this company does accept non recyclable

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for an additional fee. Residents threw away 39 mattresses in June, 40 in July, 20 in August, 21 in September, and 5 in October. Tough Stuff will come get the mattresses once there are 30 mattresses in a container. Selectman Despres asked to wait for more information.

Authorize the Chair to execute a development agreement with SJV Investment, LLC for the proposed M.G.L Ch. 40 B Local Initiative Program project located at 17 Rice Rd

Chairman Krumsiek stated there will be no vote tonight, just a discussion. Sean stated that the development agree outlines the developers and the towns duties. The original plan was to have the Planning Board come up with conditions that the developer had to follow. The conditions mentioned in the document were created by the Planning board. The developer agreed to most of the conditions. The Planning Board wanted to widen Rice Rd. The current construction work going on that road has widened the road. The turn for Providence Rd can be a 90 degree turn but since we don't own the land around it, we would have to possibly take land. The elevation is an issue as well because we can't extend the road because of the railroad. The end of the road will be a T. The railroad may effect plans for Rice Rd. The Planning Board wanted a sidewalk all the way down to South Main St. We can add a clause that mentions the developer will fix the road if any damage is done to it. Keith shared there is space for a sidewalk right now on one side of the road. Selectman Naff asked that what other conditions and safety protocols the developer is willing to entertain. Sean stated the developer would want money. Selectman McKenna asked if there is any way to downsize the project, the developer said no. The Board of Appeals will approve the project. Selectman Despres asked the developer will do one sidewalk from the entrance to South Main St but no to Providence St, what is the cost of the sidewalk? Keith replied it would be a lot of money. Selectman Despres asked he will give us money for no sidewalk, can we ask for more and we should discuss where should that money be spent. Chairman Krumsiek's issue was the railroad, it would be expensive. It will involve widening of Providence St. Selectman Naff's concern was the developer might walk away from the agreement and what additions we can add to the road. Selectman Despres asked why is there no yield sign coming off of Rice Rd going to Providence St. Keith said that should be considered.

Approve early voting hours & the state election warrant

Jayne stated the first week is 50% of the hours for voting and the second week is the full hours the Town Hall is open. Register to vote 10/29, Mail in ballot is 11/1, Election is 11/8.

Motion to approve by Selectman McKenna, seconded by Selectman Naff. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the warrant by Selectman Despres, seconded by Selectman McKenna. Motion carried unanimously.

Close the Special Town Meeting warrant

Motion to close the Special Town Meeting warrant by Selectman McKenna, seconded by Selectman Naff. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote to refer the proposed amendment to the Town of Millbury Zoning Bylaws to the Planning Board for a public hearing

Motion to submit the amendment for the public hearing to the Planning Board by Selectman Despres, seconded by Selectman Naff. Motion carried unanimously

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Second reading of proposed Federal Grants Policy and Procedures

Sean stated that it could be a policy to handle all the grants. The Board stated that if any changes are going to be made then we should table this for next meeting.

**Authorize the Town Manager to execute a Host Community Agreement with
Wonderland Cannabis Company for its proposed retail cannabis dispensary at 11
McCracken Road**

Selectman Naff asked if this reflects the new impact fees. Sean stated impact fees will go towards the community. This is Wonderlands first location, they need the HCA in place. We don't have any reason for impact fees. Chairman Krumsiek asked when they plan to open, it will be about 9 months. Sean added their focus right now is to satisfy the Planning Board and Building Inspector.

Motion to authorize the Town Manager to execute a Host Community Agreement with Wonderland Cannabis Company for its proposed retail cannabis dispensary at 11 McCracken Road by Selectman Naff seconded by Selectman Despres. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of/vote on acceptance/adoption on M.G.L Ch. 40U, Municipal Fines

Motion tabled

Set/verify BOS meeting dates for the rest of the year

There will be no meeting on 11/8. The town manager and police chief will have their evaluations done. The meeting for 12/27 will be canceled. There will be a BOS meeting before the Town Meeting on 11/15

Scheduling/conduct of Town Manager & Police Chief Evaluations and goal-setting sessions

Chairman Krumsiek liked the process used last year. Sean stated he asked staff to reach out to the Board if they had any feedback about him.

Management Update

Sean stated there will be blasting at new FHQ site. 23 Grove St is coming down soon and will get auctioned. The new Program Administrator Josh has started at the Sr Center. Lisa is the Assistant Town Accountant. We are close to filling the open position in the Cable Access Department. We have received several great resumes for the Assistant Planner position. Asa Waters is getting work done and still working with Parker Environmental. The Police Department requested a drone and equipment. Lynch is working on McCracken Rd for sewer work. Steve Stearns sent Keith an email about the great job he and his crew has been doing. The Tire Collection program is going great. Selectman Despres noticed people are getting ready for the McCracken Rd construction. Selectman Naff asked for an updated ARPA spreadsheet.

Review & Approve Previous Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of August 23, 2022 by Selectman Despres, 2nd by Selectman McKenna. Motion carried unanimously.

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Dates to Remember

- Millbury FHQ Open House 10/12 5pm-8pm
- Halloween Parade at the Library 10/28 at 10:30 am
- Special Town Meeting 11/15 7pm at MHS
- Last Day to Register to vote 11/4
- Meet Dave Dwinell and discuss "Ringman" 10/22 12:00 at the Library

Roundtable Discussion and Citizens Feedback

The first annual town wide yard sale was a success. Chairman Krumsiek stated the Appreciation Night for the Roaring 20's was really fun, thank you Kristen.

Steve Stearns stated he wanted to point out the pavement travel way for the proposed number of units on Rice Rd is not correct. The traffic in town has increased significantly near Millbury Ave. The other issue with the railroad is that from there down to Providence st is owned by the railroad. That intersection should be fixed and be a standard intersection. Speed limit signs would be beneficial. Selectman Naff stated that the Board is trying to see what the developer will accept before they remove themselves from the LIP but the Town isn't in a position to accept all safety concerns. Steve then stated that the number of units is greater than the original number. Selectman Naff added we have to compare risk vs probability. Selectman Despres why does the width matter, Steve replied its a safety issue because of the size of the development. Jeff Raymond stated Dave Marciello brought up 40 U in the 2017 Town Meeting Warrant but he isn't sure if it passed. He had concerns about the grant policy. The allocation that the police department is receiving from Sen. Moore has drones and other equipment that should be discussed with the Town. Sean stated the police departments fund was requested from the legislature and isn't a grant. Selectman Naff stated that we should discuss a drone policy. Fran Desimone stated that the discussions done with the Planning board were focused on 46 units.

Mail

Motion to accept a donation from the Millbury Cricket League into the Parks Gift account by Selectman Despres, seconded by Selectman McKenna. Motion carried unanimously.

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9:50 Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting by Selectman McKenna and seconded by Selectman Naff. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Fleming, Secretary

Mary Krumsiek

Katie McKenna

Scott Despres

Chris Naff

David Delaney

The image shows five handwritten signatures, each on a horizontal line. From top to bottom, the signatures are: Mary Krumsiek, Katie McKenna, Scott Despres, Chris Naff, and David Delaney. The signatures are written in dark ink and are somewhat stylized.