

Board of Selectmen Meeting
Minutes

Date: May 8, 2013

Members Present: Mike McCallum and Steven Ingerson

Citizen John Steffian stood up and stated "Point of Order". He then went on to state this is an unlawful meeting and if we continue with the meeting he will contact the Attorney General.

Lillian Whitney also stated that the Town Clerk must be in attendance if there are only 2 Selectmen present. MM states this is not so and tried to explain this to her. She also tried to quote the law but can't remember the number of the law.

MM asked John Steffian to please bring in the response from the AG when he gets it. John can't seem to get an answer from the government he has tried to contact. MM tried to reason with him and explain the rules but to no avail, but did state the meeting will go on as scheduled.

Time: 7:08 p.m.

Discussion of Election of Board Officers: MM explained the options of this election. SI suggested that MM become the temporary chair until the next election.

2) Motion to temporarily elect Mike McCallum as interim Chairman until the full board is in place.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Lillian Whitney wants approval of minutes postponed. MM tried to explain why it didn't need to be postponed.

3) Motion to approve minutes of May 4, 2013 as recorded.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

4) Warrant # W43P approve and sign on Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$50,368.29 subject to further review. (MM Abstain from Line with Jeanne Lindquist)

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

5) Warrant # W44B approve and sign on Vendor Warrant in the amount of \$96,960.71 subject to further review.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

MM explained process for liquor licenses to SI.

6) Motion to approve and sign on a One Day Liquor License for the Fitchburg Rod and Gun Club on May 19, 2013 for an Archery Shoot #394.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

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Request for Selectmen's Approval and Signatures on Chapter 90 Request. MM explained this motion to SI and how it is handled. SI asked if there should be three quotes because he only has two. They discussed this and MM will get an answer for him. (Motion 7) MM asked if he wanted to hold off on the motion and he said no.

- 7) Motion to approve and sign on Chapter 90 request including the environmental punch list, subject to further review.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's appointment of Heather Swick as Part-time Police Fire Signal Operator with a probationary period of 1 year (Chief Drew). Chief Drew introduced and gave a brief introduction of her qualifications.

- 8) Motion to appoint Heather Swick as Part-time Police Fire Signal Operator with a probationary period of 1 year.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's appointment of Mark Lafferty as Part-time Police Fire Signal Operator with a probationary period of 1 year (Chief Drew). Chief Drew introduced and gave a brief introduction of his qualifications.

- 9) Motion to appoint Mark Lafferty as Part-time Police Fire Signal Operator with a probationary period of 1 year.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's Appointment of Fred Alden as Police Lieutenant effective May 12, 2013.

Chief Drew gave a great recommendation of Fred and a history of his time with the Police Department. He stated all of his qualifications, which was numerous. He is currently a Sergeant with the Department. Steve Ingerson stated he is not going to approve this due to the fact that he is new to the Board and hasn't had time to look over the qualifications and history and he wants to wait until the full board is on. Chief Drew took exception to this and tried to reason but to no avail. He offered to answer any questions SI might have or any concerns but was turned down. Lillian Whitney asked if he can be appointed a temporary position and SI would not agree to this. Steve Ingerson then changed his mind and agreed to a temporary appointment.

- 10) Motion to appoint Fred Alden as Police Lieutenant on a provisional basis effective May 12, 2013 until a full board takes up the matter at a future Selectmen's meeting to discuss a permanent appointment.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

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11) Motion to approve and sign on Town Clerk Certificate of Election.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's signatures on Letter of Thanks to Dan Meunier. MM gave a history of his contributions and read letter.

12) Motion to approve and sign on a Letter of Thanks to Dan Meunier.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's signatures on Letter of Thanks to Peter McMurray. MM gave a history of Peter's contributions to the Town in various roles and read letter.

He also thanked both of them for their service.

13) Motion to approve and sign on a Letter of Thanks to Peter McMurray.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Request for Selectmen's appointment of additional members to serve on the 250th Start-up Celebration Committee (for Ashby's 250th Anniversary). Postponed due to no list of names.

Any Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chairman:

14) Motion to accept the resignation of Valerie D. Maurer from the 250th Start-up Committee for the 250th Anniversary Celebration, effective immediately.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Assistant to the Board of Selectmen's Report:

MM read report. (Available on-line for viewing.)

Special Election to be held on June 25, 2013 for both State and local elections at the Elementary School.

Public Comments (If Any) - None

15) Motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Motion: Steven Ingerson Seconded: Mike McCallum Vote: Unan

Signed by: _____

Dates Minutes Approved by Board of Selectmen: _____