

Town of Raynham, Massachusetts

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Board of Selectmen Minutes 03/15/2016

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March 15, 2016

Chairman Marie Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present were Joseph Pacheco and Karen Roberts and Marie Smith.

Acceptance of the Minutes

Mr. Pacheco motioned and Mrs. Roberts seconded to accept the minutes of the March 8, 2016 meeting as printed, Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

New Business

Mr. Richard D. Randall, Chief Executive Officer, OMNI Life Science, and Lynn Tokarczyk, an Omni consultant, were present to address the Board. They are looking to relocate to Raynham and expand their corporate headquarters. They are a global medical device company and currently the business that the TIF Committee has made a proposal to. They wanted to thank the Board for their consideration. Mr. Pacheco wanted to say that Raynham is one of the most appealing and competitive places to do business. And this confirms his thoughts when a company such as OMNI decides to relocate to Raynham. He would like to see that they have a Raynham priority preference for hiring qualified applicants and contractors and utilizing hotels and restaurants. And the one message that Mr. Pacheco wanted to leave was that Raynham is open for business. Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Smith both agreed that they are an asset and a good fit.

Mr. Pacheco made a motion that the Town Meeting approve a proposed 15 – year Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement, pursuant to MGL c. 40, Section 59, between OMNI Life Science, Inc. and CPI 480 Paramount, LLC and the Town of Raynham for the proposed property and authorize the submission of same for approval to the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (the “EACC”), Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Mr. Pacheco made a motion to approve 480 Paramount Drive as an Economic Opportunity Area (EOA) for the proposed property for a period of 15 years and authorize the submission of same for approval to the EACC, Mrs. Roberts seconded, and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Mr. Pacheco made a motion to recommend that Town Meeting approve the acceptance of proposed Local Incentive Only Application by OMNI Life Science, Inc. and authorize the submission of same for approval to the EACC, Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Department Heads & Committees

Chief Jim Donovan was present at the Meeting and gave his Activity Report for the 3 week period of March. There were 826 incidents and charged 44 people with crimes and had 1 non- fatal overdose.

Ms. Elizabeth Moura, Director of the Raynham Senior Center was present to discuss the survey she has made to help plan for the future of the center.

Appointments

Chief James Donovan was present to recommend Brian Silva be appointed as a Full Time Police Officer. Town Clerk Marsha Silvia was present to swear him in. Mr. Silva wanted to thank the Board and Chief Donovan for the opportunity to serve in the Town of Raynham. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous. The Board congratulated him on his appointment.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. Buckner reviewed the Town Administrator's Report. The Screening Committee has recommended two finalists for the position of Director of Planning & Community Development. The interviews with the Board have been scheduled for next week during the regular meeting at 7:05 and 7:20 p.m.

The Finance Committee is meeting with Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District and the Police Dept. to try to finalize their budgets. Most other budgets are all set. Town Meeting is May 16th.

The Economic & Development Committee will hold its annual awards ceremony on Monday, April 4th at 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Honorees include: B & D Construction, Aaron Mello, All American Assisted Living and John Montagano. The Board and Public are invited.

The new jail cells are out to bid and a walk through was held for the interested companies. Bids are due March 24th. The Senior Center roof is officially out to bid for replacement this spring/summer.

Mr. David Flaherty, Health Agent will be present at the next meeting.

The Fire Safety Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:15 p.m.

The Annual Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 26th at 12 noon till 2:00 p.m. behind the Fire Station.

Selectmen's Report

Mr. Pacheco wanted to report that the brush pile is now open earlier this year, beginning this Saturday and the following Saturday because of the unusually warm weather. Burning season hasn't changed as it is set by the State.

Mrs. Smith went to a RAVE meeting there is going to be a spelling bee at the school and she said the Town Hall would enter a team. Mr. Buckner and Mrs. Roberts offered to be part of the team.

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from the Highway Department looking for approval of the hazardous waste contract to Clean Harbors. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from The Greater Taunton Charitable Association, requesting a permit for the 12th Annual Stuff the Bus Thanksgiving food donation event to be held at Market Basket on November 19th and 20th. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from SRPEDD offering their services to municipalities that are in need of their services.

A Tag Day request was made by Teen Challenge New England, for the following dates: March 30th and 31st. A Tag Day request was made by Cheer Factor for the following dates: April 18th, May 27th and October 10th. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from the Homes for Our Troops organization with a request to hold their 5th Annual Road race in November. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Citizen and Community Input

Ret. Chief Peter King was present to give the Board a picture of the Robotics Team at their competition in New Hampshire which they won.

Adjournment

7:32 p.m. Mr. Pacheco motioned and Mrs. Roberts seconded to adjourn for the performance of administrative duties, signing of Bills and Warrants, with one executive session concerning pending litigation to be conducted afterwards. Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Respectively submitted,

Janet Murphy
Recording Secretary