

Town of Raynham, Massachusetts

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Board of Selectmen Minutes 03/22/2016

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March 22, 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

Mrs. Roberts motioned and Mr. Pacheco seconded to accept the minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting as printed, Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Department Heads & Committees

Mr. David Flaherty, Health Agent was present to give his report for the month of March. He wanted to discuss changing the age of purchasing tobacco from 18 to 21. He would also like to do compliance checks as Easton, as well as another community, has already changed the age to 21. Mr. Pacheco and Mrs. Smith suggested utilizing the Police Department to help, as Easton, when doing compliance checks, found several establishments who had sold to minors.

New Business – Planning Director Interviews

7:05 – Mr. Michael Duff

Mr. Duff told the Board about himself. He has held several positions in the capacity of Community Development in Salem, Lowell, Wilmington, and Clinton and worked for South Shore Development Commission in Quincy he has also worked for the MBTA. Mr. Pacheco asked about his time in Clinton (1 year) and since that time no other economic or planning experience. Mr. Duff responded his term in Clinton was a 1 year, grant funded project and now he is an Education Assistant in Canton as he wanted something close to home. Mr. Pacheco asked what his vision was for Raynham going forward. Mr. Duff pointed out the similarities between Raynham and Canton and that Rt. 138 runs through both. Mrs. Roberts asked if he had any thoughts on how to improve Raynham. He feels that Raynham is very proactive with regards to new businesses coming into the community.

7:20 – Mr. Tim Inacio

Mr. Inacio told the Board about himself. He started his career as a Probation Officer, and then wanted to be a Federal Agent. He went to UMass Amherst, and went to work for the State of RI doing construction management. For the past two years has been the Planning Director for Glocester, RI. Mr. Pacheco asked him how he feels about how he would fit in Raynham and their similarities to Glocester. He replied the population is similar, but it is mostly residential, so it is different from Raynham. He feels he is limited as far as infrastructure is concerned. Mr. Pacheco feels that he is lacking the economic development component part of the position, but would like to know what his abilities are to bring in new business. Mr. Inacio feels that his education focused on economic development and he has helped in the Town of Belchertown in their design standards for commercial development. He worked on a complete zoning rewrite for the Town of Ware for economic development. He feels confident that he could help bring new business to the Town of Raynham. Mrs. Roberts asked his opinion of Rt. 138. He thinks the density and commercial business is there and there is opportunity going forward especially where it has water and sewer. She also asked if living in RI is

an issue. He responded that he plans to move to MA in the near future. Mr. Inacio had some technical questions, one of which was about the master plan. Mr. Pacheco replied the last one was done in about 2006 or 2007.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. Flaherty reviewed the Town Administrator's Report. Police negotiations will begin on Thursday, March 24th at 10:00 a.m.

The bids for the Senior Center roof replacement will be opened on March 28th at 2:00 p.m.

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

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.

Draft warrant will be ready on April 5th, and Town Meeting is May 16th.

Selectmen's Report

The RAVE volunteers will be holding a meeting for the Salute to Veterans Parade on Monday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Merrill School.

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from Mass Highway regarding Chapter 90 reimbursements. The first project request was approved for \$280,768 at 100% reimbursement. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous. The second project request was approved for \$304,937 at 100% reimbursement. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from Mr. Edward Buckley, Highway Department who has submitted a bid from Yukon Landscaping, the low and only bidder for applying chemicals and fertilizers. The total bid is \$7,350 per application for a total bid of \$29,400 for a two year contract. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from the House Budget Committee who is preparing its PY 2017 State Budget and is looking for support for the \$42 m increase in unrestricted municipal aid, higher Ch. 70 minimum aid, and full funding for key education and municipal reimbursements and grants.

There was a Tag Day Request from N. E. Shock Waves Soft Ball for the following days: June 3rd, 10th, & 17th. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received requesting a temporary mobile home for the Dyer family of 951 Locust Street, as there had been a fire at that address. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received regarding a change of address on their license for Campers Inn of Raynham, Inc. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mr. Pacheco seconded and Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Adjournment

7:40 p.m. Mrs. Roberts motioned and Mr. Pacheco seconded to adjourn for the performance of administrative duties, signing of Bills and Warrants, with no business to be conducted afterwards. Mrs. Smith made it unanimous.

Respectively submitted,
Janet Murphy

Recording Secretary