# Town of Raynham, Massachusetts

# Board of Selectmen Minutes 05/31/2016

# **Board of Selectmen**

May 31, 2016

Chairman Joseph Pacheco 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 Mrs. Smith seconded to accept the minutes of the May 24, 2016 meeting as printed, Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

#### **Department Heads & Committees**

Mr. David Flaherty, Health Agent gave his monthly report. The department is getting very busy and an employee, Louis Bousquet is out on extended sick leave and he is looking for additional temporary help. A tobacco compliance check was done in conjunction with the Police Department on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> in 39 locations and there were 3 sales to minors. Letters were sent and they have the opportunity of choosing between receiving a fine or free education to prevent it from happing again. Mr. Flaherty believes the State will raise the age to 21, possibly at the end of the year. Two of the surrounding Towns have raised the age to 21: Easton and Bridgewater.

Ms. Pat Riley and Mrs. Sandy Leahy were present at the meeting to thank everyone who helped out on the Memorial Day Parade. They also wanted to thank Jim Januse and both the Police and Fire Departments for all of their help. On Friday they will be celebrating RAVE's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

#### **New Business**

Attorney James Fagan was present representing NUTEL Communications who is requesting a license for data pin vending machines. Mr. Stan Webber, President, Jackie Webber, his daughter and Romie Jones, Jr. who is the Communications Specialist was present. The product is a Hybrid Bundled Kiosk – an information data pin vending machine. It's a vending machine that sells data, and provides the consumer with up to 50 minutes of phone calls for \$1.00, or you participate in a game of skill. At the end of the game those points are redeemable for certain prizes or certain products in the store. They are now licensed and marketed to local convenience stores and restaurants in Taunton, Fall River, New Bedford, Fairhaven and Wareham. Atty. Fagan brought print outs of what the vending machine would look like and also the prizes. The only exceptions to the items that can be redeemed are tobacco and alcohol. The cost to the merchant to have one in the store is only the cost of the licensing fee which is \$100 per year. It is attractive to merchants as they receive ½ of the gross revenues. If you were to use the phone on vacation you pay no long distance service fees or supercharges, or it would be good for a student away at school. They have established that they are comfortable the age of a person using the vending machine be 18. Atty. Fagan submitted their letter of approval from the Commonwealth of Mass. and also by the Mass. Court of Appeals as these are not gaming machines they are games of skill. Mrs. Roberts asked if they took credit cards as well. Mr. Webber replied that it took only cash right now, but in the future credit cards. Mrs. Smith asked on average what does that machine take in. Mr. Webber replied that it depended on the location of the machine. Some can be as low as three or four dollars a week or as high

as a couple hundred dollars. Mr. Pacheco suggested the matter be taken under advisement and will schedule a vote two weeks out to allow any questions from the home audience.

#### **Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. Buckner reviewed the Town Administrator's Report. The sale of the two surplus lots off Gardiner Street is complete and the Town will receive the check shortly.

The interviews for the Senior Clerk in the Treasurer/Collector's Office will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The next Selectmen's Meeting will be held on June 14<sup>th</sup>, the Department Heads Chief Jim Januse and Mr. Ed Buckley will be present.

The SERSG Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in Mansfield. The OPEIU negotiations will be held on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

## Selectmen's Report

Mrs. Roberts commented on the great turnout at the Memorial Day Parade and wanted to thank Pat Riley and Sandy Leahy for all their efforts in putting together such a wonderful parade. She also mentioned she will be attending the B.R. Graduation this Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

## Correspondence

A check for \$28,000 was received from Ron Turowitz, it was accepted as a gift and it will be used to reimburse the Town and used to repave Locust Street. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mrs. Smith seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

Correspondence was received from Marsha Silvia, Town Clerk, looking to increase the fee for automatic amusement device from \$35.00 to \$50.00 per year. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mrs. Smith seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

An invitation was received from Bristol County Agricultural School for their graduation to be held on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> in Dighton.

A Tag Day request was received from Southeastern Mass Extreme Royal for June 29<sup>th</sup> July 5<sup>th</sup> and July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mrs. Smith seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

A Tag Day request was received from Ultimate Stars Athletic for June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to accept, Mrs. Smith seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

# Adjournment

7: 32 p.m. Mrs. Roberts motioned and Mrs. Smith seconded to adjourn for the performance of administrative duties, signing of Bills and Warrants, with no business to be conducted afterwards. Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

Respectively submitted,

Janet Murphy Recording Secretary