Town of Raynham, Massachusetts

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Board of Selectmen Minutes 09/13/2016

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September 13, 2016

Chairman Joseph Pacheco called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. Present were Joseph Pacheco, Karen Roberts and Marie Smith.

Acceptance of the Minutes

Mrs. Smith motioned and Ms. Roberts seconded to accept the minutes of the September 6, 2016 meeting as printed, Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

Department Heads & Committees

Chief Jim Januse was present to update the Board on the activity report for the month of August. Fires, fire incidents, mva investigations, and public assist were 98; Ambulance, medical emergencies mva's and public assist were 167; Miscellaneous inspections, fire alarm work and items of note were 107; Mutual aid fire and ambulance, 1 ambulance given, 6 ambulances received; 2 fire given, 7 fire received for a total of 16. ~There were a total of 1,951 calls for August, 2016 which is more than last year. ~Chief Januse updated the Board on several employees who have been out on extended sick leave. Mr. Edward Buckley, Highway Superintendent was present to give his monthly report. They have completed resurfacing the Suzanne Drive neighborhood and Dean and Hill Streets. They are currently working on South Street West, and Britton Street, most projects will be complete by the end of the month. Funding from the Sewer Department helped out as well. The Mill Street sidewalk will be worked on next. Parks & Grounds are continuing to mow grass and there was a fire on the top of the landfill, of unknown origin. Mr. Buckley received a proposal from Solitude Lake Management to have work done at Johnson's Pond. Mr. David Flaherty, Health Agent was present to give his monthly report. Mr. Flaherty had the plans that Mr. Bumila had drawn up for the new fencing for the mobile home park. Mr. Bumila brought in the new alternate fencing and Mr. Flaherty was happy with both. Mr. Pacheco and the Board wanted to thank Mr. Bumila on the choice of the fence.

Appointments

A request was received from the Council on Aging to appoint Cindy Lincoln as an associate member of the COA. Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve, Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

New Business

A joint meeting with the Housing Authority is going to be held with the Board of Selectmen to appoint a candidate for the Housing Authority Board. There are two candidates, one Linda DeMello of Jackson Drive who was unable to attend the meeting, but has submitted a letter of interest that Mr. Pacheco read. Mr. Carey of Mohawk Road, who was present, also sent a letter of interest that Mr. Pacheco also read. Mr. Carey feels that he would like to give back to the community in this way. Mrs. Roberts asked Mr.

Carey what attributes he has that he would bring to the Board. He said he has experience in capital sales, construction, electricity and drafting design. The members of the Housing Authority feel that both members are very qualified. Mr. Pacheco asked for a roll call vote: Mrs. Roberts voted for Mr. Carey, Mrs. Smith is deferring to the Housing Authority, Mrs. Gallagher voted for Mr. Carey, and Mr. Pacheco voted for Mr. Carey, Mrs. Pike voted for Mr. Carey, and Mrs. Stanley voted for Mr. Carey. The vote was unanimous 6 - 0. Mr. Pacheco congratulated Mr. Carey, and the joint meeting was adjourned.

Town Administrator's Report

The recommendation on the award of the bid for the HVAC system for the North School went to the low bidder: G & R Heating and Air Conditioning for \$41,800. Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve, Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous. There are still a number of vacancies left on several Boards, Conservation Commission, Capital Planning, Finance Committee, Cable Advisory Board and Board of Appeals. Anyone interested is invited to send a letter of interest. The Capital Planning Committee met to set up meeting with Department Heads over the next two weeks.

The Route 44/Route 24 overpass is scheduled to be replaced starting in 2018. MassDOT made a presentation of the construction methods they want to use, where they build a new bridge next to the existing one, which will minimize the disruption of traffic. Mr. Tim Inacio, Director of Planning, will be present at the next Selectmen's Meeting.

The North School Committee meets on September 14th at 3:30 at North School.

A Department Head meeting will be held on Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

The Town will be holding its annual Raynham Pride Day on Sunday, September 18^{th} from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Borden Colony. The OPEIU negotiations will be held on Monday, September 19^{th} .

Selectmen's Report

Mrs. Smith and the Board wanted to congratulate all of the soccer players who attended the Opening Day recently. She also attended the Public Hearing at BCC regarding the South Coast Rail and wanted to encourage everyone to please watch it on the cable access channel it was very informative and interesting. She also invited everyone to attend the Raynham Pride Day this Sunday, and the RAVE fundraiser on Sunday October 1st at the American Legion Hall which will be a comedy night, tickets \$20.00 each.

Correspondence

A request was received for a Public Hearing from the Cable TV License and so the Town of Raynham Board of Selectmen Cable Licensing Authority, under Mass. General Laws 166A Sec. 1will hold a public access ascertainment hearing on October 4th at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 558 South Main Street, Raynham as part of the Town's Comcast Cable Television License renewal process. The Comcast License is due to expire July 6, 2019 and the Federal Cable USC56 requires a public proceeding to ascertain the communities cable related needs and in the interest of part of the license renewal process. Public comment is invited as part of the Comcast performance, copies of the renewal process can be obtained at the Town Administrator's Office. Mrs. Smith made a motion to hold the public hearing, Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

A Tag Day request was received from the Massasoit Warriors for September 15th, 29th and October 3rd, which Mr. Buckner has approved. Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve, Mrs. Roberts seconded and Mr. Pacheco made it unanimous.

Adjournment

7:35 p.m. Mrs. Smith motioned and Mrs. Roberts 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