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Board of Selectmen  
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## **Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, September 26, 2011**

Members Present: William A. Trotta, Chairman  
Peter Bogren, Jr., Vice Chairman  
John F. Malone, Clerk

Attendees: Attendee List

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

### **Warrant articles for Special Town Meeting on October 13, 2011.**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to accept article 1 as written on the warrant. Unanimous all in favor.**
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to accept article 2 as written on the warrant. Unanimous all in favor.**
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to close the warrant. Unanimous all in favor.**
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval of article 1 as written on the warrant. Unanimous all in favor.**
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval of article 2 as written on the warrant. Unanimous all in favor.**

### **Meeting Minutes**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to approve the Meeting Minutes from September 19, 2011. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Trash Fee for 79 Laurel Street**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to remove the trash fee from the property located at 79 Laurel Street. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### Trash Liens

- **Motion (WT) seconded (JM) to place trash lines on any property that owes more than \$100.00. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### Roberta Brien – 313 Richards Ave

- The Board of Appeals is expected to have a potential appeal brought to them that involves the direct abutters to Roberta. Roberta would like to be present at the meeting, but would remove herself from voting on anything that related to this particular appeal.
- **(PB)** Emphasized the advice that was given on the memo that came from the state, recommends that she should remove herself from the meeting.
- **(JM)** The state is giving us the choice and not telling us what to do. I agree but I feel that as a resident she should be able to hear the discussion, but cannot talk or vote in the meeting.
- **(PB)** I am concerned that her presence could cause issues.
- **(WT)** I agree, and I also feel that it could be an influence on the other board members to have her present. I would rather have her leave the room and allow a free discussion to occur.
- **(JM)** Could you have someone attend for you and then convey the discussion to you?
- Roberta responded. No, not really
- **(PB)** Why do you want to stay?
- Roberta stated that she is not concerned with the outcome, and I have not expressed my opinion with any other board members. I'm just curious as to how the board will react.
- **(JM)** Are you looking to be there for any personal reasons?
- Roberta replied I have no personal reason, just purely educational.
- **(PB)** We could have the cable committee tape the meeting for you, so that you could review it afterwards
- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to have Roberta Brien step out of the room when any discussions take place in regards to the property located on 313 Richards Ave. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### Joe Thompson

- **Motion (WT) seconded (JM) to accept the resignation of Joe Thompson from the Insurance Advisory Committee. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### Trash Recycling

- Judy Mancini asked if a town resident does not separate there regular trash from the recyclable items are they penalized?
- **(JM)** No, we pay to streamline our trash instead of a pay as you go program. In prior years the Board of Health has been asked to go to single source or pay as you throw, but they have decided not to go with either of these routes.

**Next Open Meeting**

- The next open meeting night will be with Jack Malone on Thursday, October 6, 2011 at 7pm in the White Building.

**Next meeting scheduled for Monday, October 17, 2011 at 7:00pm**

**Adjourned Meeting at 7:38pm, Unanimous all in favor**

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons, Administrative Assistant

**Documents filed with Meeting Minutes:**

None

**Documents from the Meeting filed in BOS office:**

None