



Town of Paxton
Board of Selectmen
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Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 16, 2014

Meeting Location: John Bauer Senior Center 17 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Members Present: Julia N. Pingitore, Chairman
Peter Bogren, Jr, Vice Chairman

Carol L. Riches, Town Administrator

Attendees: Attendee List

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

SEPAC Presentation

- Harriett Fradellos of SEPAC along with Ryan Litchfield attended the meeting to speak on how important it is for communities to help support those with special needs. Ryan is a resident of Rutland and is currently a student at Assumption College. At the age of 2 Ryan was diagnosed with Autism. With the help and support of his family and friends he has been able to overcome a lot of obstacle in his life and become a successful person. Ryan complimented the Wachusett Regional District for doing an outstanding job on the way that they support individuals with special needs. Ryan continued to express how important it is that as a community we do what we can to help those with special needs so that they to may reach their full potential.
- **(JP)** Thank you for presenting today and if SEPCA would like to set up a more informative session we would be happy to help them with that.

Candice Ross

- Pass over at this time; she is currently not present at the meeting.

Building permits

- Pass over at this time. Building Inspector was unable to attend.

Signage for Bel Arbor

- **(PB)** Put on the next agenda to give Mrs. D'Andrea a chance to come in and speak, and also to have time to check out the street.

9 Elm Street

- **(CR)** This resident is looking to hook up to the Worcester sewer system. We have done this with other propertied in town, and the onus is completely on the owner of the property.

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to enter into agreements with the City of Worcester, the Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District and the owners of 9 Elm Street for the conveyance of sewage from that property through the Worcester sewage system for treatment at the Upper Blackstone facility with all costs to be paid by the property owners, including and legal cost incurred by the Town of Paxton. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- Mr. Economos, current owner of 9 Elm St, inquired if the permit fee would be paid to Worcester and Paton?
- (CR) No, will send the bills directly to you.
- Mr. Economos also stated that there is no sign for Elm Street.
- (CR) If there was one DPW will replace it.

Annual Appointments

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to appoint the list of individuals presented with the terms that are listed. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- Appointment list will be filed in the Board of Selectmen's office.

American Legion sign request

- Sign request for chicken barbeque on July 5th, August 2nd and September 6th.
- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to approve sign request with the understanding that for the July 5th event the sign comes down by noon on July 3rd. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Summer Schedule

- (JP) Our next meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2012 and then we will see where the state budget and school are at. I would also like to get Jack's input.

Bay State sign request

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to approve sign request from Bay State Equine Rescue 5K road race on July 13. Sign can go up from July 7th to July 14th. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Paxton Center School turtle crossing sign request

- (JP) Through a Cultural Council grant they would like to put up turtle crossing signs in designated areas of Town.
- (JP) Some of these areas are residential. Do we know what the signs will look like?
- (CR) DPW is helping to provide the signs.
- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to approve the turtle crossing signs with the assistance of the DPW in order to establish exactly where the sign will be placed. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Letter of intent from the Town of Spencer

- (JP) With the budget issues that Spencer is facing they are looking to combine with other towns to solicit more state funding.
- (PB) The difficulties that the two towns are having are different. We need to do what is best for Paxton which differs from what Spencer needs. To have a discussion with other communities may be beneficial but I'm unsure if we should jump right in.

- (JP) Our struggles are different from Spencer's.
- (PB) A symposium was mentioned, and I am willing to attend and start the discussion process.
- (JP) Carol will send a letter to Spencer asking them to include us on an invites to upcoming meetings.

End of year transfers

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to approve the following end of year transfer. Unanimous, all in favor.**

<u>Account transferred to</u>	<u>Account transferred from</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0100-1250-5200-0000	0100-1193-5500-0000	\$2,250.00
0100-1122-5103-0000	0100-1545-5103-0000	\$1,445.00

- (PB) What were the repairs?
- (CR) The septic system pump and the AC.
- (PB) I have concerns over these repair cost for a new building.

Meeting Minutes

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to approve the Meeting Minutes from the Regular Meeting of June 2, 2014. Meeting minutes prior to reconvened Annual Town Meeting on June 2, 2014 and Executive Session Meeting Minutes on June 2, 2014. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Town Administrators Update

Assessor's Access to Property Policy

Last meeting I was asked to propose a policy to assist the Assessor gain entry into properties in town. Please find attached a proposal which has been reviewed and agreed upon by both the Fire Inspector and Administrative Assessor. The policy is quite straight forward and should not inconvenience the Fire Inspector nor impose upon residents.

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to accept the policy as written. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Conservation Commission

I have received the attached request from Tim Luring to be appointed to the Conservation Commission. I have touched base with the commission chair and he welcomes the appointment.

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JP) to appoint Tim Luring to the Conservation Commission. Unanimous, all in favor.**

Paxton Days

Our third Paxton Days was a success. We had over 60 vendors. A great deal of planning was involved throughout the year and I want to say thank you to the committee for all their efforts:

Donna Graf Parsons
Anita Fenton

Kathy Card
Robert Wilby
Meghan Stevens
Forrest & Theresa Smith
Jerry Ryan
Kerry Flynn

I also want to thank the following who contributed a considerable amount of time towards and on the day:

Recreation Commission
DPW
Police Dept.
Light Dept.
Fire Dept.
Library
Historical Committee
Girl Scouts and especially Abby Tasca

Our sponsors
SC Management (The Hills at Paxton Village)
Republic Waste Management
Women's Club
Friends of Richards Memorial & Paxton Historical Commission

Other Business

- Recreation has a Red Sox trip planned for July 30th. Bus will leave PCS at 3:30 for a 7pm game. Cost \$50.00 per person.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 30, 2014 at 7:00pm.

Adjourned Meeting at 7:59 pm, Unanimous all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons, Administrative Assistant

Documents filed with Meeting Minutes:

Agenda
Attendance list

Documents from the Meeting filed in BOS office:

Town Administrators Update
Appointment list

Julia N. Pingitore
Chairman

Peter Bogren, Jr.
Vice Chairman

John F. Malone
Clerk