



Town of Paxton  
Board of Selectmen  
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## Regular Meeting Minutes

**Monday, June 24, 2013**

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

Members Present: John F. Malone, Chairman  
Peter Bogren, Jr, Vice Chairman  
  
Carol L. Riches, Town Administrator

Attendees: Attendee List

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

### **Appoint Diony Nunez as Part Time Dispatcher**

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to appoint Diony Nunez as a Part Time Dispatcher for the Paxton Police Department. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Appoint Jane McTigue and Christopher Starbard as Election Workers**

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to appoint Jane McTigue and Christopher Starbard as Election Workers. Unanimous, all in favor.**
- (CR) Some election workers are unavailable to work this election so the Town Clerk is adding these two new individuals.
- (JM) Chris was not on the agenda. When did Sue present the appointment for Chris?
- (CR) As I left today.
- (CR) We do get some reimbursement for the state election.
- (PB) We will not be reimbursed for the municipal side.
- (JM) Going forward I would like to know how many workers we are going to have.
- Anita Fenton suggested that going forward you ask for volunteers to work the polls.
- (JM) We will ok it this time but going forward it needs to be on the agenda.

## **The 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

- Anita Fenton asked permission for the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee to be able to put up some sort of a sign near the center of town as a constant reminder to people that we are trying to raise funds for our 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration. We would like to put a small but informational sign near the Town Hall.
- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to allow for an informational sign to be put up with a discuss at a later time as to where it will be placed. Unanimous, all in favor.**

## **DPW road material bids**

- The following recommendations were made by Mike Putnam for the bids received on road material.

It is recommended that the following companies will provide Highway road work and materials for FY14 to the Town of Paxton:

Bituminous concrete in place- Mass Broken Stone

Full Depth Reclamation- Murray Paving

Sand, stone, gravel- Bond Construction, based on close proximity to Paxton. Graves is further than 15 miles from Town line, not in the best interest for the Town of Paxton to travel that far to pick up materials.

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to accept the recommendations made by the DPW Superintendent for bids received on road material. Unanimous, all in favor.**

## **End of year transfers**

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

<b><u>Account transferred to</u></b>	<b><u>Account transferred from</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
0100-1162-5200-0000	0100-1162-5400-0000	250.00
0100-1915-5812-0000	0100-1192-5200-0000	780.00
0100-1193-5200-0000	0100-1192-5400-0000	80.00
0100-1122-5200-0000	0100-1192-5200-0000	484.00
0100-1232-5103-0000	0100-1232-5400-0000	5,000.00

## **WRTA Update**

- **(JM)** Paxton is being assessed over \$30,000 each year by the MBTA for the train station.
- **(CR)** We have been meeting with WRTA and CMRPC to discuss a possible bus service for Paxton that would use our assessment without any further cost to the town. We are also working with EA Fish and AMC in looking at the best route possible. We are also looking at the best days, times and routes that people would like to see.
- **(PB)** Our MBTA money would pay for this?
- **(CR)** Paxton runs it with a bus from WRTA.

- **(PB)** MBTA is ok with paying that money towards a bus route.
- **(JM)** Yes, and this will open up a different venue for residents to get around. Give us your opinion by filling out the survey.

### **Paxton Youth Soccer**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to allow Paxton Youth Soccer to place signs in town for registration. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Trash abatement for 7 Indian Hill**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to approve the trash abatement for 7 Indian Hill Rd. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Meeting Minutes**

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2013. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Deputy Tree Warden**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) agree to have the Rutland DPW Superintendent appointed as a Deputy Tree Warden for Paxton if he is agreeable to it. Unanimous, all in favor.**

### **Town Administrators Update**

#### **FY13 Budgets**

All shortages are being addressed through transferring within accounts at this time.

#### **Senior Residential Development**

1. Website for anyone interested in the apartments should be available mid-July, I will keep you posted on this
2. Sides are now up
3. Water lines and septic lines installed

#### **Part-time Treasurer/Collector Position**

Interviews for the open position and the job was offered and accepted by Kim Peloquin. Kim will start on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Council on Aging**

We have received seven interested applicants for the COA part time Outreach Coordinator position. Interviews will take place next week.

#### **Special Election**

Just a reminder that the Special Town Election is Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> for the open seat for Selectman as well as the override question that the Board has previously stated that they do not support. Polls are open 7am to 8pm

## **Paxton Days**

We had perfect weather and everything went as planned. Many people helped in the preparation and on the day. A big thank you to the committee: Donna Graf Parsons, Marybeth Brown, Kerri Orciuch, Forest Smith, Jerry Ryan, Bob Wilby, Anita Fenton and Kathy Card. The Light Dept. and DPW for their assistance behind the scenes and Mike Pingitore, Shawn Mead manning the fire/ambulance trucks and the Recreation Commission who spent the day cooking.

(JM) Send out thank you letters to those that were involved.

## **Other items**

- **(CR)** As of June 28, 2013 Paxton now has a BLS license of its own.
- **(JM)** The bike rodeo at Richards Memorial Library had over 60 kids attend this year. The Lions had 21 people stop into the sight and health mobile during Paxton Days which was a tremendous increase over the 6 they had the previous year.
- **(JM)** Read aloud a letter that was sent to the Board of Selectmen which commended Officer Tripp.
- **(JM)** Read aloud another letter from Orville Sheldon which commended Officer Johnson.

## **Public Session**

- Anita Fenton was present to inquire about the grant that was approved by the Board of Selectmen to allow the Police Department to add a K-9 unit through a grant that was offered. Anita expressed concern that by accepting this grant the department will just continue to grow and grow with additional expenses.
- **(PB)** Stated that there is no expense to the Town, and in three years we can reapply for the grant to continue. It's free and why would we not take it. Each department is responsible for their own grants and to look out for their own department's needs.

**Next meeting scheduled for Monday, July 8, 2013, at 7:00pm.**

**Adjourned Meeting at 8:07pm, 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

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Peter Bogren, Jr.  
Chairman

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John F. Malone  
Vice Chairman