

Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2016
Chenery Meeting Room

Executive Session at close of meeting for discussing land acquisition

PRESENT: Selectmen DeSorgher, Fisher, Peterson; Town Administrator Trierweiler; Town Counsel Cerel; Administrative Assistant Clarke

Chairman DeSorgher called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and read announcements.

COMMUNITY SPRING CLEANUP

Pastor Jonathan Chechile said that last year we organized a spring cleanup day of service to the community that was well received. The event was a community celebration for family and friends to come together. Last year Park and Recreation and the DPW were very helpful and we do look forward for their assistance this year. Also this year the Cub Scouts and Medfield Green will join in; the event is planned for April 30 9-12:30. I am requesting permission to use the Town Gazebo area.

VOTE: Selectman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Selectman Peterson to grant permission for the second annual God Loves Medfield Community Day of Service and the usage of the Town Gazebo. Vote was unanimous

MEDFIELD'S REPRESENTATIVE TO TRI-COUNTY

A letter was received from Tri-County Technical High School informing the Selectmen that Medfield's Representative's appointment to the School Committee will expire June 30. "According to the provisions of the Tri-County Agreement the Selectmen Chair, Town Moderator and School Committee Chair shall make appointment for a member to serve for a three year term. Our present representative David Bento has agreed to be re-appointed.

VOTE: Selectman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Selectmen Peterson to authorize Chairman DeSorgher execute the vote in favor of David Bento's re-appointment to the Tri-County Vocational Technical School Committee. Vote was unanimous

STATE HOSPITAL PROPERTY

The Medfield State Hospital Master Planning Committee has agreed to hire The Consensus Building Institute to assist in developing design principals that will lead Town Staff, the committee and technical consultants to a consensus plan for the best use of the site. The Selectmen are requested to vote to sign the agreement

VOTE: On a motion made and seconded it was voted unanimously to sign the Agreement For Consulting Services for the State Hospital Property with Consensus Building Institute, Cambridge, MA

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RESIGNATIONS

VOTED unanimously with regret to accept the resignation of Anthony Centore, member of the Transfer Station and Recycling Committee

VOTED unanimously with regret to accept the resignation of Community Preservation Act Study Committee member Theresa Knapp

NEW COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

VOTED unanimously to appoint John Newell, Jr. to the Lyme Disease Study Committee and as recommended by Chairman Christine Kaldy

LYME DISEASE STUDY COMMITTEE

Letter received from Chair Chris Kaldy recommends the Selectmen vote to grant a stipend to Barry Mandall, the committee's wildlife control advisor for his services for the past two seasons. Barry's service to the committee and his knowledge of Town land and administration of the program is very much appreciated. The committee requests a stipend in the amount of \$400.00.

VOTED unanimously to grant the payment of a stipend in the amount of \$400.00 to Barry Mandell and as recommended by the Lyme Disease Study Committee

LICENSES AND PERMITS

VOTED unanimously to grant the Council on Aging one-day wine and malt beverage permits for two events: March 19 St Patrick's Day Dinner and April 30 Spring Fling Dance

VOTED unanimously to grant the Zullo Gallery permission to hold its seventh annual Arts Festival June 18, 2016, 7-11:30 PM at the Town Gazebo area and grant a one-day wine and malt beverage permit for the event

TURTLEBROOK WAY

Ms. Trierweiler remarked that the affordable unit has been sold at a price of \$115,600.00. It is requested that the Selectmen Chair sign the Eligible Purchaser Certificate that will be recorded at the registry.

VOTED unanimously to authorize Chairman DeSorgher execute the Purchaser Certificate regarding the sale of 24 Turtlebrook Way

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The Selectmen queried if in the near future any other unit may be coming up for resale and Ms. Trierweiler responded yes a unit located at 2 Joseph Pace Road will be coming up in about 10 days at a price of \$215,000.00.

SELECTMEN REPORT

Mr. Fisher reported that at the recent MEMO meeting a discussion took place regarding warrant articles.

Mr. Peterson mentioned that the Medfield Foundation has two new members and he recently held First Friday hour at the CENTER. He was invited to attend a citizen's meeting held at the Pfaff Center Sunday March 6 regarding the proposed assisted living facility. Selectman Peterson attended the March 4 Planning Board for the hearing on the warrant article, which Selectman Peterson had proposed. He commented that member Wright Dickinson deftly crafted wording that modernized the wording, while still retaining proposed wording that in a RS zone (residential suburban) an assisted living facility would not be allowed. Additionally he attended a presentation of a metro west adolescent survey dealing with student health and risk behaviors. Susan Cowell, MHS teacher was one of the speakers. The complete report will be online. Mr. Peterson also met with the newly formed group called the Helpers, a project proposed by Medfield Youth Outreach.

Mr. DeSorgher, Mr. Sullivan and Chief Meaney met with an engineer to review the proposed plan for a traffic light at South Street and Route 27. They also talked with neighbors of Curve Street and their issue of traffic on their narrow road. Selectmen will discuss further at the next meeting. He said that he wanted to make a public statement about the Clark Tavern. He thanked John and Michelle Linnert for all their efforts in their quest to convert the property to a tavern. The Linnerts' have signed a purchase and sale for the property to LCB, the company that has applied to build an assisted living facility behind the Tavern and the Peak House. In addition Mr. DeSorgher attended a meeting with the developers who are proposing a 40B project on Hospital Road to continue dialogue regarding the project.

The Selectmen suspended their meeting at 7:30 PM for the FY 2017 Warrant Hearing

ACTION

The Selectmen are requested to vote to open the 2016 Warrant to fund the Firemen's contract and to amend zoning bylaw and **it was so voted.**

ZONING BYLAW: Town Meeting 2012 voted a zoning change that allows assisted living facilities in residential neighborhoods. As residents were not able to know the import of the 2012 town meeting vote from the materials available to them at the town meeting, it was thought residents should be given an opportunity to vote on that issue at the 2016 town meeting.

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Hence the warrant article proposed to be voted at 2016 Town Meeting to amend the wording to NO in residential suburban (RS). This change is recommended by the Planning Board.

Selectmen Peterson wishes to add an article to the warrant for a vote for the Town to buy streetlights. He feels that the Town should not have to wait to garner the savings for the cost of electricity. Additionally with LED lights there will be better lighting on our streets.

Mr. Sullivan has strong reservations about adding this article to this year's warrant. He remarked that he would like to have some numbers regarding the service contract for repairing the lights; we need to be diligent about the vendor we hire. I feel the streetlight project is more complicated and not as straightforward as presented. Ms. Trierweiler would like to have a full cost benefit analysis for a true cost before committing the Town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

From Selectman Fisher, Clerk of the Board; Mr. Chairman the Medfield Board of Selectmen needs to meet in executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy with regard to collective bargaining and land acquisition. I declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. The open session will reconvene at the conclusion of the executive session. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Peterson yes, Mr. DeSorgher yes; Mr. Fisher yes. The Board went into executive session at 9:05 PM.

Motion made and seconded to return to open session at 9:20 PM. A roll call vote and was taken, all in favor.

FIREMEN'S CONTRACT

VOTE: Selectman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Selectman Peterson to accept the recommendation made by Kristine Trierweiler regarding the new Firemen's contract. Vote was unanimous

VOTE: Selectman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Selectman DeSorgher to execute the Firemen's Memorandum of Understanding. Vote was unanimous

2016 WARRANT

VOTED unanimously to close the 2016 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Clarke