

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2014**

**TOWN HALL
7:30 P.M.**

Present: Supervisor Martin A. Ballowe, Councilmen Jeffrey A. Genzel, Jay P. Boardway and Gary E. Vara.

Absent: Councilman Lawrence A. Murtha.

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak, Town Attorney Kobiolka.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to appoint Joseph Gallagher as Dog Control officer, term to expire 12/31/2014.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to appoint Nancy Kwasniewski, as Assessment Clerk, PT, term to expire 12/31/2014.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and seconded by Councilman Genzel to adopt the minutes of the January 8, 2014 regular meeting.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Vara and seconded by Supervisor Ballowe, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills on the Abstract dated January 16, 2014 in the amount of \$156,456.95 be paid.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

Received and filed email memo from Nicole Gerber thanking Gene Wieckowski for his assistance in providing transportation to hospital staff during the blizzard.

Councilman Boardway noted that at this time there have not been any requests to attend the 2014 Association of Towns Annual training Conference in February.

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Supervisor Ballowe to table authorizing attendance at the 2014 Association of Town's annual training Conference until such time as someone requests or has the ability to attend.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

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A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and was seconded by Councilman Vara to accept the annual report from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Code Enforcement officer.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Supervisor Ballowe to reappoint David O. Stringfellow as a regular member of the Planning Board term to expire February 1, 2021.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Supervisor Ballowe upon the recommendation of the Planning Board to accept the recommendation to elect David Stringfellow, Chairman, Dr. Paul Ziarnowski, Vice Chairman, and Jennifer Lucachik as Secretary for 2014.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

At 7:40 p.m. a Public Hearing was held to hear comments regarding Proposed Local Law No. 1 of the year 2014 for a moratorium on the issuance of permits for illuminated signage in the Town of Boston.

Councilman Boardway read the legal notice.

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Councilman Genzel to open the floor for comments.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

The following persons were in favor of a moratorium on the issuance of permits for illuminated signs in the Town of Boston:

Dr. Paul Ziarnowski Jim Gastle

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and seconded by Supervisor Ballowe to close the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Four (4) Carried

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Steve Bohan, Leader for Boy Scout Troop 391 thanked the Town Board for allowing their attendance at tonight's meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and seconded by Supervisor Ballowe to adopt Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2014 (Proposed Local Law #1) Entitled A Local Law for a moratorium on the issuance of permits for illuminated signage in the Town of Boston.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Vara and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to reappoint Robert Ganey as a regular member of the Board of Assessment Review

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Genzel and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to authorize Supervisor Ballowe to sign a one-year contract with Connie D. Miner & Co., Grant Consultants for a fee of \$15,000, term to expire 12/31/14.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway as Councilman Genzel to schedule a public hearing for February 19, 2014 at 7:40 p.m. to consider the request from Catherine Cherry-Myers for a special permit for a bed and breakfast located at 6405 Ward Road.

Four (4) Ayes Carried

Town Clerk Mulé reported on the following

- DECALS is having problems with the new Hunting License system. The DEC is currently working out the kinks.

Highway Superintendent Telaak reported on the following:

- Christmas decorations have been taken down.
- Noted that Waste Management will pick up Christmas trees but they cannot be more than four feet in length, so residents will have to cut them in half.
- 1,997 tons of salt have been used on the roads so far this season.

Councilman Genzel reported on the following:

- Received \$1,550 in donations for new Christmas Lights.
- Attended meeting for the residents of the West Hill concerning the water district extension. Results of the income survey will be used to apply for grants and/or funding for this project. There will be a number of phases to get this district water.

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Councilman Genzel Cont'd:

- A new tank and pump house is needed. It's a 7 million dollar cost to build water out for the whole hill and will be a long-term project.
- Getting associated with Hamburg dispatch and his Liaison position.
- A Boston/Colden Fire Association meeting at the North Boston Fire Hall.
- North Boston Fire Company's Installation dinner will be on Saturday.

Councilman Boardway reported on the following:

- Sharing of services/Merger with Boston Youth Baseball and the Village of Hamburg Baseball League. Boston fields will continue to be used as normal. All past participants will be notified via email address previously submitted.
- Thanked Scott Overhoff for all of his efforts in keeping the league going.
- Contact Josh Haeick at 649-6170 for further information about Baseball.
- Took offense to comments made by Governor Cuomo.

Councilman Vara reported on the following:

- The Conservation Advisory Council has scheduled the Fishing Derby for May 10, 2014. Possible scheduling of a Hazardous Waste drop off.
- NYS Senior lunches are now \$3.

Supervisor Ballowe reported on the following:

- Noted that Senator Gallivan representative Mitch Martin is available tonight to answer any questions.
- Received and filed monthly reports from the Town Clerk, Supervisor and Code Enforcement officer.
- Thanked Highway Superintendent Telaak and his crew for the great job in keeping the roads salted during these very cold temperatures.
- There were multiple pipe breaks in the ceiling of the Trooper's Barracks which caused some flooding. Clean up and repair have been underway.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and seconded by Councilman Boardway to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

four (4) Ayes

Carried

JENNIFER A. MULÉ, BOSTON TOWN CLERK