

Town Board Minutes February 16, 2011

Present: Supervisor Martin A. Ballowe, Jay P. Boardway, and Councilwoman Cathy A. Maghran.

Excused: Councilmen Jeffrey A. Genzel.

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak, Town Attorney Kobiolka.

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and seconded by Supervisor Ballowe to adopt the minutes of the February 2, 2011 regular meeting.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to appoint Patricia J. Hacker as a Regular Member of the Planning Board term to expire February 1, 2018.

four (4) Ayes Carried

Councilman Boardway also noted that per the recommendation of the Planning Board Patricia Hacker will also serve as Vice Chairman.

A motion was made by Councilman Wieckowski and seconded by Councilman Boardway, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills on the Abstract dated February 10, 2011 in the amount of \$127,373.37 be paid.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to approve Hannon Engineering, PC to start the preliminary studies for Water District #3, ext. #1 in the amount of \$5,000.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and seconded by Councilman Boardway to approve the Use of Facility Application for Boston Conservation Advisory Council for May 14, 2011.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to reappoint Richard Lee to the Conservation Advisory Council as a Regular member term to expire March 1, 2014.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Wieckowski to reappoint Tracy Hirsch to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a Regular member term to expire April 1, 2016.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to reappoint Norman A. Hertz to the Conservation Advisory Council as a Regular member term to expire March 1, 2014.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to accept the resignation of Ralph Gibson from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Maghran and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to appoint Katherine Praczkajlo as the interim Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

four (4) Ayes Carried

Councilwoman Maghran instructed Deputy Town Clerk Mule' to advertise for new Zoning Board of Appeals members.

A motion was made by Councilman Wieckowski and was seconded by Councilwoman Maghran to approve the annual refuse licenses for Allied Waste Services of North America, LLC., Modern Disposal Services, Inc., and Waste Management of NY, LLC.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Wieckowski and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to schedule a bid opening for one (1) 2011 Backhoe Loader for March 8, 2011 at 10 a.m.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Councilman Wieckowski to refer the Special Permit for Dumping of Material for the Boston Fire Company, 10 Mill Street to Town Engineer Hannon for review and recommendation.

four (4) Ayes Carried

Received and filed monthly reports from the Town Clerk and Code Enforcement Officer.

Supervisor Ballowe noted that the Town of Boston, in our efforts of going green, will now be part of a recycling recovery act. This will include computers, televisions, monitors, keyboards, anything electronic will now be accepted on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 12 pm at the Parks Department located in the Town Hall Recreation Storage Area

located at the back of the Emergency Squad building.

Deputy Town Clerk Mule' noted that Town and County Taxes are due Tuesday, March 15th, the office will be open until 9 p.m. and Friday and Monday, the 11th and 14th until 8 p.m. and Saturday the 5th and 12th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that the highway crews have been cleaning the snow out of the ditches and culvert pipes to avoid flooding especially on Keller, Shero, Pinehurst and Rice Roads.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that the highway workers have completed a brake job on one of the ten-wheelers and will paint the box on it. The rear main spring on the 87 Osh Kosh was fixed this past week.

Highway Superintendent Telaak clarified his wording from the last meeting in regards to the amount of salt the Highway Department has gone through. He stated that they had gone through a ton of salt, but in reality have used over 300 tons of salt.

Councilman Wieckowski noted that he, Sean Crotty and several fire chiefs from the town fire companies met with Erie County HazMat for an informational meeting where they described all of the equipment they have available for use.

Councilman Boardway noted that the service award program for the Boston Emergency Squad was approved. The Town Board is still waiting for the fire companies to submit their documentation directly to the Supervisor's office for their service award program.

Councilman Boardway noted that with respect to Penflex and the investment strategy and those who have been following it should be aware that this program is something that the town

sponsors. We do appreciate the input from the fire chiefs and the fire service in town. We switched over to a more expensive but aggressive fund management plan on this whole system in December of 2010. This change has proven to be profitable. As of January 31, 2011, our investment into the service award program on behalf of the volunteer firefighters in this town currently stands at \$2,546,607.71. Since we have made this change in our investment strategy the balance has increased 2.25 percent, which relates to \$52,916.47. A lot of studies and work and a wise investment was made by this Town Board into securing a future for the service award program for the firemen.

Councilman Boardway noted that Patchin Fire Company will have a meat raffle on Saturday, March 5th at 8 p.m. He also noted that the Boston Fire Company will hold their annual gun raffle on Saturday, April 2nd, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Supervisor Ballowe asked if the Fire Chiefs and Presidents were notified that they can view their service award program on line. He stated that each fire company can now watch the growth of their accounts.

Councilman Boardway noted that if they are not set up right now, they will be soon.

Councilwoman Maghran noted that she will be meeting with a group of business people to try to restart the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Councilwoman Maghran noted that Barbara Moore is compiling a booklet of Town of Boston past and present military servicemen and women. Anyone interested can find a questionnaire in the Town Clerk's office.

Councilwoman Maghran noted that there will be a blood drive on March 8th from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and seconded by Councilman Boardway to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

four (4) Ayes Carried

JENNIFER A. MULE', DEPUTY TOWN CLERK