

**SELECT BOARD MEETING**  
**June 29, 2011**

At 8:10 PM, immediately following a Special Town Meeting the meeting was called to order.

**Present:** Select Board – Norm Russell, Doug Field, Paullette Leukhardt  
Administrative Assistant – Mary Fitz-Gibbon

**Appointments:**

The Municipal Lighting/ Wired West meeting has been rescheduled for July 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Appointments/ reappointments for FY'12:** The Board working from a list prepared by the Town Clerk voted to reappoint and appoint individuals in a series of motions. (See attached list)

Motions were made, seconded, and voted for each of the 11 boards or positions which appear below.

Board of Appeals – Stuart Harris ( 5 yrs), Alan Supernant (2 yrs), Anne Yuryan (3 yrs)  
Agriculture Commission –( 3 yr terms) Betsy Blunt, Steve Gougeon, Johanna Anderson-Pratt

Conservation Commission – Phil Lussier (3 yrs)

Council on Aging (3 yr terms) – Wayne Wickland, David Gold, Barbara Kuhns, Marcia Klein

Green Committee (1 yr) – Mary Quigley, Jen Williams, Brian Clark

Interim Executive Administrator (1 yr) – Mary Fitz-Gibbon (Since this position has changed substantially, applicants will be sought and interviewed once a job description has been written. Ms. Fitz-Gibbon may apply.)

Municipal Town Clerk (2 yrs) – Ann Dunn

Interim Assistant Municipal Clerk (1 yr) – Nancy Intres (Ms. Intres was never appointed to this position; she stepped in when needed and has done a fine job. Once a definition of this position has been written applicants will be sought. Ms. Intres may apply.)

Town Collector/Treasurer (2 yrs) – Laura Blakesley

Town Hall Steward (1 yr) – Wayne Gardner

Assistant to Planning Bd. and Con Com(1 yr) – Barbara Sussbauer

A motion was made, seconded, and voted, to appoint all members of the Highway Department for a one year term.

Highway Superintendent (1 yr) – Thomas Poissant

Highway Department (1 yr) – Curtis Pichette (Mechanic), Jack Clark, Richard Turner, and Alan Taylor (labor & equipment operators)

Motions were made, seconded, and voted to appoint the following individuals to the positions, as listed below.

Transfer Station Attendant (1 yr) – Philip Nolan, III

WWTP Operator (1 yr) – Elizabeth Nichols

Registrar of voters (1 yr) – Susan Gambino, Muriel Cranson, Nancy Intres, Ann Dunn

Emergency Manager (1 yr) – Doug Field (Mr. Field stated that he would like to find someone to take this position. He abstained from voting on this appointment.)

Fire Chief (2 yrs) – Del Haskins

Police Officers (1 yr) – Patrick Droney, Chief, Diane Wilder, Jarek Knopoko

Auxiliary Officers (1 yr) – Elizabeth Lesure, Walter Zlenski

A motion was made, seconded, and voted to appoint the persons listed below.

Animal Control Officer (1 yr) – Warren Kirkpatrick  
Inspector of Animals (1 yr) – Kim Reardon  
Fence Viewers (1 yr) – Alden Gray  
Field Drivers (1 yr) – Roland Townsley, David King  
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber (1 yr) – Ramon Sears

A motion was made, seconded, and voted to appoint the persons listed below.

Carl Nilman Scholarship Committee (1 yr) – Sheila Graves  
Frederick W. Wells Trustee (1 yr) – Molly Robinson  
Town History Editorial Board (1 yr) – Phyllis Kirkpatrick, Donald Robinson, Tom Carter,  
Dave Fessenden, Stuart Harris, Harry Keramidas, Martha Tirk

A motion was made, seconded, and voted to appoint the persons listed below to the respective positions.

Town Website Committee (1 yr) – Juliet Jacobson, David Kulp  
Town Hall Building Committee (1 yr) – Wayne Gardner, Stuart Harris, Doug Cranson,  
Nancy Garvin, Grace Lesure, Mary Quigley, Donna Scott

After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and voted to reappoint the following members of the Wind Turbine Committee for one year. Brian Clark, Ron Coler, Duncan Colter, Walter Cudnohufsky,  
Todd Olanyk, Anne Yuryan

Motions were made, seconded, and voted to appoint the following persons.

Street Light Committee (1 yr) – Ricki Carroll, Nancy Hoff, Anne Yuryan  
Poll Workers (1 yr) – Terri Cassidy, Nancy Garvin, Grace Lesure, Sally Yates, Duncan Colter,  
Wayne Farrell, Donna Scott, Claire Cournard, Sally Rice, Suzanne Corbett, Anne Yuryan,  
Doug Cranson, Mary Fitz-Gibbon, Ginny Gray, Jan Mahnken, Helen Boyden

The Telecommunications Department must be created before persons can be appointed to it. This will be on next week's agenda.

#### **MIIA - The Town's insurer**

The Town's insurance has a \$10,000 deductible provision. Recently the insurer represented the Town on three matters brought before the MA Board against Discrimination. The first two appeared to be combined into one deductible. A third individual filed a complaint which, while similar in nature, was different enough to be considered a separate complaint. It has not been paid yet, as the Board has requested a detailed invoice. There is money for legal expenses in the FY'11 budget which will be incurred toward this expense.

#### **Liaison Reports:**

Highway Department - The paperwork necessary for acquiring the surplus grader is in hand. All that remains is to go get it. The Town's grader has been cobbled together and is currently in service. Hawley Road has been sealed.

Emergency Manager - Mr. Field has completed a survey from W.M.E.C.O. asking for a reaction to its response to storm damage in the past year.

Personnel Board – Ms. Leukhardt reported that the committee has had its first meeting. It will begin its work by reviewing existing policies. Mr. Field thought it would be important to get job descriptions for the two interim positions clarified so the jobs can be advertised and filled. Mr. Russell suggested in the process of preparing job descriptions policies may include review of policies.

Fire Department – The bill for heating the firestation is up for FY'11. Mr. Field feels some attention needs to be given to the station. He said there is no insulation in the back portion of the building.

This gave Mr. Russell the perfect opportunity to report on the Green Committee meeting. The Green Committee is working on an accurate assessment of the Town's energy use.

Select Board Summer meetings: July 6, 20, August 3, 17, 31.

MBI announced its "last mile" awards. Ashfield will benefit from two: \$50,000 is awarded to WiredWest to continue its work, and GAW will receive \$40,000 for its wireless internet service project.

Mr. Field said he wanted to thank everyone for the emails in the past few days. He spent the weekend in ICU with an erratic heartbeat.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM.  
Priscilla Phelps