

Town of Ashfield
Select Board Minutes

June 2, 2014

The Ashfield Select Board meeting was held on Monday June 2, 2014 at the Ashfield Town Hall at 7:00 P.M. There were approximately 30 audience members in attendance. There were 5 audio recorders and 1 video recorder in use. **Previous Select Board meeting was May 19, 2014.**

Select Board: Tom Carter-Chair, Ron Coler-Vice Chair, Todd Olanyk

Executive Administrator: Mary Fitz-Gibbon

Assistant Municipal Clerk/Scribe: Lynn Taylor

Meeting was called to order by Tom Carter-Chair at 7:02 P.M.

Payroll and Vendor Warrants:

Payroll Warrant WP14-25 dated June 02, 2014(**document 2**)

Vendor Warrant W14-25 dated June 02, 2014(**document 3**)

Minutes:

5/19/2014 **MOTION:** Olanyk makes a motion to accept the minutes of 5/19/2014 as amended, Seconded by Carter. **VOTE:** 3-0-0 (**document 4**)

4/7/2014 **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to accept the minutes of 4/7/2014 as drafted, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** 2-0-1 Olanyk (**document 5**)

Revisit 2/26/2014 Amend: **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to amend the minutes of 2/26/2014 as presented, Seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** 3-0-0 (**document 6**)

Appointments:

- a. Tim Walter, Plainfield Energy Committee; Solarize Mass Consortium: Tim Walter Chair of Plainfield's Energy Committee distributes 3 documents Solarize Mass (**document 7**) Newspaper article pertaining to the solar Mass program (**document 8**) map of participants already in Solarize Mass (**document 9**) Walter's gives an overview of how the State sponsored Solarize Mass program works and answers any questions the Board had. If joined the Town is awarded \$2500.00 \$500.00 of which needs to be used to hire a solar coach, the remaining is usually used for advertising purposes. Plainfield is looking for an agreement from Ashfield to participate in the

program as well as Buckland. Mary Quigley from the Green Communities Committee expressed her thoughts that the GCC would be on board with joining the program. Discussion of Jim Cutler being appointed to the GCC takes place, Cutler feels his background in the Solar field he would be an asset to the GCC. **MOTION:** Olanyk makes a motion to join with Plainfield and Buckland Energy Consortium and appoint Jim Cutler to the Green Communities Committee, seconded. **VOTE:**3-0-0

- b. Ted Murray, Chair of Finance Committee: Finance Committee's proposed Town of Ashfield Financial Management Policies & Objectives Manual: Ted Murray Chair of Finance Committee submits a draft copy of Financial Management Policies & Objectives Manual (**document 10**) that the Finance Committee voted 5-0-0 to implement. Murray would like the SB to review the manual. It is agreed that the SB and the Finance Committee will meet to discuss and review at the second SB meeting in September.
- c. Nan Pariti Elmer's Store: Town Hall use application for June 21, 2014 (**document 11**) Nan Pariti explains her plans for a concert at Town Hall. Dinner will be served at Elmer's desert and coffee will be served in lower hall and the concert with band will perform in upper hall. There will be no street closings. Pariti requests the Town Hall for June 21, 2014 from 12:00 noon to 12:00 A.M. including setup. **MOTION:** Coler makes a motion to approve the Town Hall use application for Nan Pariti as requested, seconded by Olanyk. **VOTE:** 3-0-0
- d. Priscilla Phelps, Chair of Personnel Board: appoint two new members to the Personnel Board. Phelps is looking for three things from the Board 1. PB would like the SB to appoint Paullette Leukhardt as a member seeing she is no longer on the SB. Phelps feels Leukhardt should be appointed as she is already familiar with PB. 2. PB would like to get a SB Liaison appointed to the Board as well. 3. Wants to set up a meeting date with the SB to review and approve the PB policies that have been drafted.
There is a discussion regarding appointing Leukhardt as requested the bylaw says you may only be on the Board for three years and Leukhardt has already been on for three years. Ted Murray is also going to look into Ricki Carroll she also may need to come of the PB as a Finance Committee member as she may have already been on for three years. **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to appoint Tom Carter as SB liaison to the personnel Board and to appoint Jennie Markens to the vacant personnel Board seat, seconded by Coler. **VOTE:** 3-0-0
- e. Jane Shaney, Conway Rd: citizens petition: Resolution to oppose Tennessee Gas Pipeline's (TGP) through Ashfield: Shaney submits to the SB a citizens petition with 308 Certified signatures. (**document 12**) Carter reads the

petition into the record, after a short discussion the Board decides to take the resolution to the STM scheduled for June 23, 2014.

Carter and Coler stated they would be attending the meeting regarding the proposed pipeline which will be held at GCC in Greenfield.

New Business:

- a. June 23, 2014 Special Town Meeting Warrant: The SB signs the warrant for STM for June 23, 2014. **(document 13)**
- b. Police Chief hiring: Interim police Chief Diane Wilder is present for the discussion of hiring Police Chief. The Board starts discussion reporting about positive feedback from Town's people regarding Wilder's performance as interim Chief. Wilder is asked if she is still interested in the Police Chief position, she stated she absolutely was still interested. If hired for the position she will resign from her already fulltime job.
MOTION: Carter makes a motion to appoint Diane Wilder as Ashfield Police Chief affective July 1, 2014, for 38 Hrs at a rate of \$25.00 Hr.,
Seconded by Coler. **VOTE: 3-0-0**

Old Business:

- a. Authorize Animal Control Officer to pursue legal action against unlicensed dog owners. Warren Kirkpatrick ACO would like authorization to pursue unlicensed dog owners in District Court. **MOTION:** Coler makes a motion to authorize Warren Kirkpatrick ACO to start proceedings in court pertaining to unlicensed dog owners, Seconded. **VOTE: 3-0-0**
- b. Support letter for H3872, an act relative to transfer of FRCOG employees to state employee's retirement system: **MOTION:** Carter makes a motion to support the letter regarding H3872, transfer FRCOG employees to State retirement system, Seconded by Olanyk. **VOTE:3-0-0 (document 14)**

Liaison Reports:

-Coler informs the Board that the Lake Dam & Maintenance Easement with both Scott Decker and Phil & Doreen Nolan have been signed, notarized and filed.

Copy's are Submitted by Coler. **(document 15) (document 16)**

Coler will draft a very nice letter to both the Nolan's and Scott Decker thanking them. Coler will have the letter for the next SB Meeting ready for the Board's signatures.

-Carter would like Olanyk to check with Tom Poissant regarding summer help again this summer.

-Del Haskins informs the Board that Friday 6/6/14 they will be at Sanderson Academy for field safety day. Haskins also informs the Board that a company is going to be coming to check out the pumps on the fire trucks for certification.

Mail:

- Letter from Claire Cournand regarding her opposition to antennas on the Town Hall Steeple. **(document 17)**
- Letter from Lois Graves regarding the Boston Post Gold Cane which was presented to Ruth Craft. Carter reads the letter into the record, Graves wanted to let the Board know that she was older than Ruth Craft. Carter asked Fitz-Gibbon to find out which nursing home Lois was in and he would pay her a visit. **(document 18)**
- Planning Board Hearing June 12, 2014 regarding cell phone tower at 1450 Spruce Corner Rd.**(document 18)**
- Three response letter from the AG'S office **(documents 19-21)** which Carter reads.

Public Comment: None

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-Discussion regarding upcoming July 1st appoint list and terms of them being changed last year. Mary will ask Town Clerk for a list of July 1st appointees to bring to the next SB meeting for discussion.

- Discussion regarding Town Hall vacation schedules for the summer; is there maybe a need for Town Hall closure this summer. Mary will have the staff get together to figure schedules out.

Olanyk makes motion to adjourn at 9:37 P.M.

Adjourned 9:37 P.M.

DOCUMENT LIST

1. Agenda for 6/2/2014
2. Payroll Warrant WP14-25 dated June 02, 2014
3. Vendor Warrant W14-25 dated June 02, 2014(document 3)
4. SB Minutes of 5/19/2014
5. SB Minutes of 4/7/2014

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Note: These minutes were discussed, amended, and approved at the Select Board meeting dated 6/16/2014 and filed in the folder of the actual date of the said minutes