

**TOWN OF MILLBURY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

April 11, 2023

6 PM

Present: Mary Krumsiek, Katie McKenna, Scott Despres, Chris Naff, David Delaney
Steve Stearns

Zoom: Claire Despres, ariordan, Brian Sora, Mike Mann, ipad, me

Citizens Speak

Guest Presentation-Raymond Dubois-Rays True Value

The Board thanked Raymond Dubois for his service to the community.

Public Hearing-The Millbury Board Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on April 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building at 127 Elm Street, Millbury MA to act upon the application for an Alteration of Licensed Premises for Quincy Amusement Inc., 70 Worcester Providence Turnpike, Millbury MA, – License #00037-RS-0712

Julie Heizman from Quincy Amusements at 70 Worcester Providence Turnpike, Millbury MA stated that Chatters restaurant doesn't allow alcohol to be removed from the area. The application includes the restaurant's floor plans and set up. The alteration proposed is opening up the entrance and creating a walk up area. 6 of their locations in Massachusetts allow customers to take their drinks to the movie cinema. They have an Alcohol Compliance program; the drinks will be served in a clear cup. The Board discussed the approval of the license.

Motion to close the public hearing by Selectman Despres, second by Selectman McKenna
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Alteration of Licensed Premises for Quincy Amusement Inc., 70 Worcester Providence Turnpike, Millbury MA, – License #00037-RS-0712 by Selectman Naff, seconded by Selectman McKenna. Motion carried unanimously

Resolution to temporarily suspend approval of NGrid pole petitions

Sean stated that there have been issues with double poles and the resolution illustrates it. The pole petitions allow NGrid to put poles, the resolution is non binding. Selectman Naff stated that we should not restrict them with the resolution and ask for the removal of the previously installed poles if possible. Steve Stearns asked if the Board has reached out to the DPU as they may be able to assist, they said no.

Tom Winston 5k Road Race

Rich Karoo explained that the race is in the memory of Tom Winston, who was a resident in Millbury. The proceeds from the race will go towards a scholarship for the graduating class this year. The race will be held on 6/4 in East Millbury at 10am. They would like the Board's approval for the race.

Motion to approve the Tom Winston 5k Road Race on June 4th, 2023 by Selectmen Naff, seconded by Selectman Delaney. Motion carried unanimously.

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Consideration of additional FY 2023 WRRS COLA

Sean stated that this illustrates the Town's exposure. There is an increase in cost of living for retirees which led to the increase. Selectman McKenna stated that the addition would not be sustainable over the 11 year period. OPEB can be reduced by reducing the retirement benefit, reducing the benefit to 50/50 will reduce the cost but currently its 70/30 which causes it to be high. Selectman Naff stated it will cost a lot over the 11 years, the impact will be too much.

Motion to Reject the request of the additional 2% COLA increase for the WRRS by Selectman Naff, seconded by Selectman Despres. Motion carried unanimously.

Management Update -Appoint Harold Proodian to the Cemetery Commission

Sean stated that Harold Proodian will be appointed to the Cemetery Commission. Phase II and the FHQ is going well. Interior work was done at the Mansion and there will be a pathway paved from the mansion to the ADA ramp in the parking lot. He executed the contract for the stabilization of the cistern. He is altering the deeds for the mansion and the town for the cistern. There were communication and Wi-Fi issues at the senior center and the sewer plant which have been addressed. All of the Town's applications are being moved to the cloud. The school received a grant for school zone and speed signs which will be put near the high school. Signs at Elm St are effective for the school zone. We hired someone for the position of Director of Engineering Facility and Sewer Operation. The DPW admin operation will be moved to the pump station. The town manager's office will be moved to where DPW is, Planning & Conservation will be where the current Town Manager's office is, and BOH will be on the side of the building department offices. Senior Transportation through the WRTA will be in an agreement with the Town. 124 Elm Street disposition: I am awaiting a determination of the current applicability of the 2009 structural study performed on the building. 26 McCracken Rd- waiting for an appraisal for the property, after which I will begin negotiations to purchase the property. 23 Grove St- While the Building Inspector had recommended that the dwelling be demolished, that condition did not make it into the final court order. He is in the process of relocating the residents at 26 McCracken Rd. 23 Grove St. has a new owner and has not been demolished. DHCD submitted the application for comprehensive permits, the Town submitted their comments within the correct time period and were able to express the concerns that residents had regarding the project. Municipal employees got CPR/AED training. He stated that there will be quarterly check in meetings through department heads to check in with their employees. Payroll will no longer be on paper, it will be through an app. Amy Riordan and Amy Fleming are organizing the Memorial Day event which will include ceremonies at the cemeteries. Following the Board's decision of the Belfont Hotel, the owner appealed the decision to the ABCC. The hearing is on April 24th, the Town will appear to speak to the ABCC. Selectman Despres asked if there is an estimate of the cost of the Town Hall move and was everyone in collaboration. Sean stated that it was a collaborative effort and the cost will be a couple thousand.

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Review & Approve Previous Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of February 14, 2023 by Selectman Despres, 2nd by Selectman McKenna. Motion carried unanimously

Motion to approve the Minutes of February 28, 2023 by Selectman Despres, 2nd by Selectman Delaney. Motion carried unanimously

Dates to Remember

- 4/14/23 6pm Lady's Night Out at the VFW
- VFW Flag Retirement 4/16 5pm
- Electronics Recycling 4/22 9 am-2pm St Nicholas Church Shrewsbury
- Spring Flee Market on 5/6 Millbury First Congregational Church
- 4/14 Last day to register to vote
- 4/18 Last day to request mail ballot
- 4/25 Town Election MHS gym
- 5/2 Town Meeting MHS gym
- 5/21 Food Truck Festival MHS

Roundtable Discussion and Citizens Feedback

Steve Sterns asked if the comment letter a support letter, the Board stated no, he asked for a copy of the letter. He also added that the Senior Citizen transportation buses exceed the speed limit alot.

On a Good Note: Community Events & positive stories about Millbury

Selectman Krumsiek shared that Millbury Future Foundation awarded 3 scholarships. She thanked the Friends of the Asa Waters Mansion for their volunteer work. She thanked Selectman Delaney for his service on the Board.

Mail

Motion to approve donation from Millbury Lions Club to the Millbury Police Department by Selectman Despres, seconded by McKenna. Motion carried unanimously.

8:40 PM Executive Session

Executive Session in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a)(2): To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel—the Town Manager.

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10:10 PM Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting by Selectman Naff and seconded by Selectman Delaney. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Fleming, Secretary

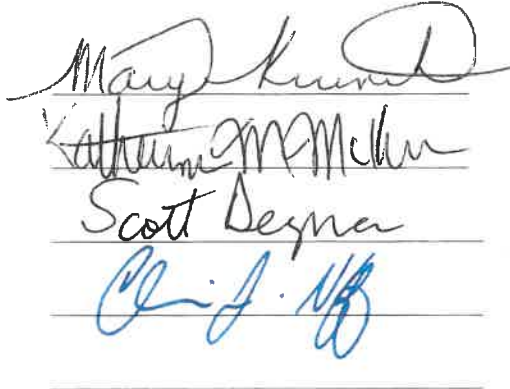
Mary Krumsiek

Katie McKenna

Scott Despres

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Handwritten signatures of the five board members, each on a horizontal line. From top to bottom: Mary Krumsiek, Katie McKenna, Scott Despres, Chris Naff, and David Delaney.