

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012
7:30 P.M.

Members present: Francis A. Hegarty, Chairman
Steven P. Rose
Robert F. Brady, Jr.

Others present: Michael McCue, Town Administrator
Joseph Lalli, Town Counsel

Chairman Hegarty called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with all members present.

Mr. Rose made a motion to accept the minutes of Thursday, April 19, 2012 (Regular Session) as written. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There were no public comments during the Open Forum.

A request for one-day special alcohol permits was received from Avon Fish & Game Association for June 23, July 14 and August 4, 2012; all Club functions.

Mr. Rose made a motion to grant the one-day special alcohol permits for dates listed above to Avon Fish & Game Association. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A request was received from Water Superintendent John Tetreault for a Reserve Fund transfer, in the amount of \$45,000, due to unforeseen expenses. Mr. Tetreault supplied the Board with back-up information and a breakdown of expenses as requested.

Mr. Rose made a motion to endorse the reserve fund transfer for the Water Department to the Finance Committee. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Public Announcements

On May 7th at 11:30 a.m. the Council on Aging is hosting an Elder Law Presentation with Attorney Eric Shepherd. Attorney Shepherd will discuss Estate Planning, Power of Attorney and Trusts. All are welcome.

On a motion made by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Rose, it was unanimously voted to approve all vouchers for the payment of bills as submitted.

Mr. Rose asked Town Administrator McCue to provide a breakdown of all legal bills by firm for the next Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Town Administrator's Report

Mr. McCue informed the Board that the "Pepsi Gives Back Program" grant was awarded to the Town of Avon, providing labor to assist in painting the gazebo. The Town received the grant and employees from Pepsi will volunteer to come to Avon on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Pepsi will provide lunch. The Town must buy the materials (paint) and residents from Avon need to volunteer to help out with this project. Mr. McCue will attempt to inform the media and community news on Channel 9 of this event.

The Arbor Day celebration, held on April 27th at the Avon Public Library, was represented by Selectman Robert Brady, Senator Brian Joyce, Representative William Galvin, Library Trustee Wilma MacDonald, members of the Avon Middle High School and National Grid. Thank you to National Grid for the labor provided and for three (3) trees that were planted on the side of the Avon Public Library. Avon is a Tree City, U.S.A. designated Town.

Mr. McCue discussed fuel purchases with the Board for Town vehicles. A Wright Gas Card (like a charge card) would be used. Using this card would eliminate the taxes paid on gasoline purchases.

7:45 p.m. —Public Hearing on the application of Robert Sneider for a Class II license at 21 Ledin Drive

Mr. Sneider appeared before the Board. Mr. Brady read the Legal Notice for the Public Hearing.

Chairman Hegarty opened up the hearing asking for questions from the Board. Mr. Rose asked Mr. Sneider if he could provide records indicating the buying and selling of used vehicles from last year (2011). Mr. Sneider stated that he buys vehicles at auction and sells the used vehicles to another auction. Mr. Sneider provided a list of vehicles bought and sold from last year. Mr. Rose asked: "why would you need a license from Avon? How does giving you a license in Avon affect this Town?" Mr. Sneider informed the Board that he needs the Class II license to present to the Registry in order to allow him to be certified to buy at auctions. Mr. Sneider replied that he has a Class II license in Roslindale and Brockton.

After further discussion, Mr. Brady made a motion to grant the Class II license to Mr. Sneider. Mr. Rose seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. McCue informed the Board that four (4) bids were received for Street Sweeping. Mr. Sarni and Mr. McCue both concur and recommend the awarding of the Street Sweeping contract to Wells Landscaping of Randolph, MA at a rate of \$118.00 per hour.

Mr. Rose expressed his concern that the rate was the most expensive for Wells Landscaping than the other bidders but understood that the other bidders did not meet the bid qualifications as far as truck equipment was concerned.

After further discussion, Mr. Brady made a motion to award the Street Sweeping bid for calendar year (CY '12) to Wells Landscaping of Randolph, MA. Chairman Hegarty seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. McCue informed the Board that he would be meeting next week with George Mello of Tibbetts Engineering regarding completion of the Pond Street project. Chairman Hegarty stated that Comcast needs to be contacted. Mr. McCue reported that the work to finish installation of poles has been completed by National Grid.

At 8:05 p.m. Mr. Rose made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a collective bargaining issue relative to the AFSCME Union. Mr. Brady seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Rose voted aye

Mr. Brady voted aye

Chairman Hegarty voted aye

The Board would not reconvene in Open Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Rothstein
Secretary