Board of Selectmen
Minutes of April 2, 2013
Bourne Community Building
Bourne, MA 02532

TA Guerino

John A. Ford Jr., Chairman
Donald J. Pickard, Vice-Chairman
Peter Meier, Clerk
Earl Baldwin
Linda Zuern

Documents

- Massachusetts Military Reservation Commanders Update Briefing dated 4/2/13 – 5 pages

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Call to order
Chm. Ford at 7:00 pm.

Moment of Silence for our Troops

Salute the Flag

Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items
Mr. Joseph Agrillo – asked if Item 9a will be discussed tonight. Chm. Ford informed Mr. Agrillo the board will discuss later on tonight and to raise issues at that time.

Minutes: 3.19.13
Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Baldwin to approve minutes of 3/19/13 as submitted. VOTE 5-0.

Correspondence
Meier read correspondence into record. Hard copies are available at the Town Administrator's office upon request.

Item a – Buildings are the 3rd and 4th buildings this year to be included in the National Register of Historic Places. TA Guerino thanked Mr. Ellis as being a leader in bringing forward. Documentation will be put in frames and displayed at each of the buildings.

Appointments and Licenses

a. **Auctioneer License Antiques Plus - Charles Lewis**

Mr. Mark DeCicco – requested Mr. Lewis' address to file a civil service suit against him. Pickard gave Mr. DeCicco documents with information.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Zuern to approve Antiques Plus request for Auctioneer License to Mr. Charles Lewis to conduct auctions the last Tuesday of each month and with the stipulation the applicant must have a business certificate with another community or registered with an LLC corporation in Bourne and per routing slip (Planning Board and Building Inspector). VOTE 5-0.

b. One day Auctioneer 4/27/13 – Bourne Historical - Charles Lewis

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to approve Bourne Historical Society request for a One Day Auctioneer License on 4/27/13 for Benefit Live Auction and to waive licensing fee of $50. VOTE 4-0-1 (abstention from Zuern).

c. One Day Beer and Wine – Bourne Historical Fundraiser

Per Chm. Ford, this item is withdrawn and tabled.

d. Request fees waived for:

1. Kiwanis Club – Walk-a-thon 6.15.13

Tabled to 4/9/13 for routing slip.

2. Kiwanis Club Game Night [Thursday evening before concerts] July and August

Tabled to 4/9/13 for routing slip.

3. Psychic Fair Fundraiser – Waiver of fee

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to waive fees for Psychic Fair Fundraiser on 4/13/13 at the Bourne Veterans Community Building. VOTE 5-0.

e. Appointment - SWOP

Ms. Susan Cronin submitted Ms. Patty Duffy's name for consideration of appointment to the SWOP. Ms. Duffy is also a parent of one of the SWOP participants and introduced her daughter.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to appoint Ms. Patty Duffy to the SWOP Program for a term to expire 6/30/13. VOTE 5-0. TA Guerino suggested Ms. Duffy obtain reappointment papers if she wishes to stay on.

f. ACK Market, Inc., d/b/a Grey Gables Market – request to close for cleaning and minor renovations

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to approve Grey Gables Market request to close for cleaning and minor renovations for a 3-4 week period up through May 1, 2013 per TA Guerino, if necessary. VOTE 5-0.

Massachusetts Military Reservation (MMR) and the MMR Executive Director, Col. Anthony Schiavi – mission update

The Mass. Military Reservation covers about 22,000 acres. The Mass. Military Installations Economic Impact is about $14.2 billion and over 46,000 jobs.

The Mass. Military Reservation Management Structure includes:

- Joint installation Partner Agreement
- Joint Oversight Group
- Inter-agency cooperation
- Future vision for the MMR

Otis Air National Guard Base
Mission Update: 102b Intelligence Wing

- 102d Intelligence Group – FOC: CY13
- 102d Air Operations Group – Restored via NDAA
- 212th Eng & Installation Sq – Relocating to Otis
- Military Construction (MILCON)
    - FOC DGS Facility – PH 1/II
    - Operations and Training Facility
    - Future Projects/Solar Array
- Demolition – Multiple Facilities

Camp Edwards – the largest Military Training site in New England

- Mission: provide realistic, relevant, compatible and essential training and support facilities in support of Military Unit and Individual Soldier Readiness
    - Pre-mobilization Training
    - Military, law enforcement, emergency first responders
    - Regional Training Institute – Homeland Security Institute
    - Army Aviation Support Facility
- Almost 15,000 acres, Cantonment Area/Training Area/Upper Cape Water Supply Reserve
    - Over 900,000 SF of building space
    - 529 miles of road network – 271 miles improved paved road
- Capital Improvements
    - Over $40M in the last 5 years
    - Over $46M in improvements fully funded in the next 3 years
- Throughput: Over 150,000 Training days for FY12
- Room to Grow

USCG Air Station Cape Cod – Aviation and Support
$23M hanger facility is complete. Continue to upgrade the runways for aviations.

- Air Station Cape Cod Missions and AOR
- Supported Commands/Joint Services
- The “Military Town”
- Economic Impact
- Future Plans - $9M new barracks – old barracks office space. Demolished 90 units to provide quality housing.

Cape Cod Air Force Station
104 acres of AF active duty. Main mission is missile warning and focusing on being more efficient. Two more wind turbines will go up in the future.

- Home of the 6th Space Warning Squadron
- Mission: Missile Warning and Space Surveillance
- Staff: U.S and Canadian military, DoD civilians, BAE Systems contractors
- Collaborate with MMR, local, State, Federal and community
- Energy Efficiency Initiatives

Question and Discussion
TA Guerino – asked about 102d – Air Operations. Going to Capital Hill sometime in 2014.

Zuern – asked about training, drums and border safety. Training is done on the weekends and have worked with past hurricanes and storms – looking for a better plan for the Cape Cod area. The drums are one of the ways they get data; the FA is conservative on where to fly. Guards are good with staying up with and following up on rules. Border safety hasn't be participated in, but states that are down near the border have.

Camp Edwards – Open House open to the public once a year 9/21/13 - 9/22/13 – several military demonstrations will be conducted at the tech training base.

Meier – asked about any fiscal ramifications on the civilian side of the base. The Coast Guard trying to avoid civilian furloughs – took cuts to prevent furloughing civilian employees. There will be some cuts in patrol hours in the missionary. The public will not notice a loss of patrols on the aviation side. Search and rescue will stay the same.

Zuern – does not want to lose the Air Guard 102d as ramifications due to cuts. Will see some furloughs in the later part of June.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier a five-minute recess and reconvene back in public session. VOTE 5-0.

Future Generation Wind Power Purchase Agreement & Town Administrator, Energy Committee Representatives, Mr. Mann (Mann Farm of Plymouth – proponent)
Mr. Mann briefly reviewed risks of the town.

PPA Key Points

- Wind turbines will be located in Plymouth
- Customer makes no investment and has no ownership risks
- In normal circumstances there is no downside to Net Metering – only savings.
- Last year the town would have accrued $156,532 in savings
- In 25 years the town would save an estimated $6,612,396

Fixed Rate Benefits

- Provides more predictable energy expense
- Provides a hedge against high future energy prices

- Provides more savings if energy costs escalate on average more than 3.8% annual
- Will likely provide ½ cent/kW more savings in earlier years
- Does not offer Tracking Account option

Variable Discount Rate Benefits
- Provides a discount below future energy prices
- Discount percent increases as energy prices rise
- Provides more savings if energy prices escalates on average less than 3.8%
- Tracking Account provides additional protection. Captures lost savings.

Full cost of electricity – Wind and Solar
Including incentives, solar is 2.6 times more expensive than wind on a per kWh basis. Solar – 55 cents/kWh; Wind – 21.2 cents/kWh.

Future Generation Wind – Summary
- FGW is in advanced stage of development
- Our wind turbines are new models from a top tier manufacturer
- Permitting is complete
- Interconnection process is nearly complete

<u>Discussion</u>
There is a mechanism should the price of electricity and gas goes down. The only risk would be if there were historic low prices and the prices stay that way for 20 years, but it is unlikely. Natural gas and energy prices are expected to go down. The fuel is only part of the electric bill – there is also distribution.

Zuern – read it is expected that natural gas would go down. Mr. Mann - if gas went to zero, it would not dip below the floor.

TA Guerino – the price would have to be down to 2 cents/kWh to have any effect on the town once the agreement has been signed.

Chm. Ford – only reason wind power is ecological is because the Cape is paying so much more due to having the Sandwich plant on-line as back up; it is not efficient.

Zuern – what happens after the 20 years to the turbines. Mr. Elrick explained that the town will not invest any money – only pay for the credits the town is receiving.

TA Guerino – Mr. Mann, Energy Coordinator and Energy Advisory Committee (EAC) worked together closely. The town is trying to diversify our portfolio with a local agricultural producer.

TA Guerino - has the authority but would bring forward to the Board for concurrence. Pickard requested a written plan with analysis by the TA Guerino and/or Mr. Richard Elrick and the EAC with recommendations in a form. TA Guerino – a report will be given at the 4/9/13.

Mr. Mann – solar projects are getting harder to finance due to SREC risks compared to wind.

Mr. Joseph Agrillo – supports the wind project.

O'Keefe, EAC – The EAC believes it is a good project and has voted to support renewable energy and an opportunity. The town utilizes 4.8 million kWh/year. The EAC feels the town should not commit the whole load, but rather 80% of the town's load for the wind and leave options for either Cape Wind or CLC. This agreement would cash in on the net metering credit the State has made available and an opportunity to save money.

Chm. Ford – homeowner will not see credits. Mr. Elrick - no, the municipality will and the home owner will pay a slight increase.

Mr. Richard Elrick – Energy Coordinator – reiterates how little risk the town has for this project. This project promotes town goals, saving 20-30% of energy costs with no risks to speak of. Cost benefit analysis can be forwarded to TA Guerino.

Zuern – asked what would be the risks. Mr. Elrick - if costs lower, wouldn't receive reductions but would be a better deal than status quo.

Zuern – asked what happened if the turbines couldn't produce the energy. Mr. Mann – contractually, Future Generation Wind is obligated to produce credits. In the contract, it allows to correct issues and if cannot, the town can opt out.

Ms. Diana Barth – Bourne Enterprise – asked if any extraordinary changes by the State law would affect the ability to perform. Mr. Mann – we would work together for an alternative.

TA Guerino – contract base language "template" piece is currently with Atty. Troy.

Mr. James Mulvey – asked about a proposed contract and if one in another town is in effect. He also asked if there is any guarantee of loss of production. TA Guerino – a template is with Atty. Troy. Contracts are in place with Rochester and the UCT as comparative documents.

Town Administrator's Report –

a. Realignment Public Works Reporting structure

TA Guerino – TA reporting structure with Public Works Department and the hiring of the Facilities Manager. There are Charter specific requirements on how the landfill moves forward with the current lease arrangement which may include leachate. Those reporting structures and the overall forward progression of the landfill will continue to be a direct contact to TA and NOT alleviate any responsibility of ISWM with reporting to the Board of Health. The realignment will reduce the span of control over a number of department heads as it relates to the budget, personnel issues and long-term planning. The day-to-day operations will be managed by the Superintendent of Public Works (Mr. Sala) and Sewer will continue to be integrated, and the ISWM manger will continue to report through the Director of Public Works and Facilities. This will better utilize the staff.

When the piece of the overall realignment was proposed to the Selectmen last year, this is one area the board had good concurrence. The structure as proposed does provide a look at the municipality as many municipalities are structured. We don't have a large sewer division but we do have the landfill. He asks the Board to provide concurrence with realignment.

Meier – asked about a future Highway Crew Chief. TA Guerino – this will be moving a staff into the position.

Pickard – asked who is paid more between Crew Chief vs. a Foreman. Mr. Sala – the Crew Chief is paid higher. TA Guerino – the managerial structure is still the same. Pickard – suggested a Highway/Maintenance Forman vs. Crew Chief to be of greater assistance to Mr. Sala. Mr. Nelson – this is a draft and we can work on together moving forward.

Chm. Ford – this is one of the goals the board assigned TA Guerino to do.

TA Guerino – this is a collaborative piece as all operations are complicated. He will be meeting with all involved on a bi-weekly basis in the beginning to make sure implementation. He will update the board on a regular basis moving forward.

Mr. Agrillo –would like to see more about the departments. Pickard – TA Guerino is looking for a reduction of employees reporting to him and it is a good step forward per the Selectmen's request of TA Guerino. TA Guerino – this is not really new; this allows the town to go back to the organizational chart the town has been running for several decades.

Mr. Agrillo – would like to see what this draft is replacing, including employee costs. TA Guerino handed Mr. Agrillo a copy of the proposed reorganization and explained this is salary neutral - we increased the salary of Mr. Sala, augmented Mr. Nelson's salary as the DPW Director and the hiring a Maintenance Technician - all within the previous salary of Mr. Tellier.

Mr. James Mulvey – raised issue of transparency and believes this is a major reorganization of town departments. The town has been very well served and happy with how it was organized. He would like to see a lined chart. TA Guerino – this is not a major reorganization of a department. It is a realignment of reporting structure to the TA and is a request for transparency purposes.

Chm. Ford – this is no cost and under preview of the TA.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Zuern to concur with recommendations of the TA with regard to the reorganization of the DPW and Facilities departments. VOTE 5-0.

TA Guerino - Superintendent position was advertised internally. He recommends a waiver of 14 day period for Mr. Sala.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to approve TA recommendation to waive 14 day period for Mr. George Sala. VOTE 5-0.

Mr. Sala – thanked the board and TA Guerino for their support.

Mr. Mulvey – after reviewing new proposed chart, he questioned the administrator coordinator and secretary. TA Guerino – the positions currently exists and works under Mr. Sala. For informational purposes, it would be a dotted line between the two positions which are directly responsible to the Superintendent.

TA Guerino – thanked Mr. Barrett and Mr. Goddard for their efforts into this reorganizational chart.

b. Final Budget questions from BOS

He is not proposing any additional changes. Finance Committee completed most of their review –CPC and Capital Outlay will be before the Selectmen next Tuesday night to follow up on TA report to the Selectmen.

c. RFP – Hoxie update

Printed and in the Central Register. Sent out 3 of proposals for people to review moving forward.

d. Community Building Roof Update

Roof update – Mr. Nelson said this will be wrapped up by the end of the week. Meier – asked if there were any surprises. Mr. Nelson – flashing details and a cut gas line and has been repaired.

Zuern – asked about the tubing set up. Mr. Nelson – the tube is the trash shute.

Mr. Mulvey – Mr. Nelson is very approachable and knowledgeable.

e. Fire Department Hiring Update

More than sufficient applicants and moving toward other components (ex: pysychological tests) and he expects to have people on board in June moving forward.

f. Fire Department renovation update

$64,000 from Capital for the Station One appropriate sleeping quarters. The bid was higher than allocated. They are utilizing the FEMA trailer as temporary quarters with appropriate hook ups. Mr. Nelson – materials were bought in house and is protecting the existing carpet. With the remainder of budget he is looking into which HVAC will best serve the dorms. He is still trying to find the right cost effective solution.

Selectmen's business

a. First Right of Refusal 47 High Ridge Drive

Meier – explained the Selectmen are one of the three entities with first right of refusal (Selectmen, Housing Authority and the ACD). Once all entities refuse, then it is up to the Affordable Housing Partnership to monitor the sale of property.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to decline the Town's first right of refusal to purchase the property located at 47 High Ridge Drive and to exercise the right to proceed in locating an eligible purchaser with the sale as an affordable unit in accordance with the State guidelines. VOTE 5-0.

b. Road Name Request – Eustis Lane

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to approve Road Name Request for Eustis Lane as identified in routing slip of Road Names. VOTE 5-0.

c. Vote to place question on Annual Town Election for new DPW facility

TA Guerino – same wording as previous vote and Ms. Sundman brought this to the Board's attention. Chm. Ford – thank Ms. Sundman.

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to approve to the placement of adding the question onto the Annual Town Election for new DPW facility. VOTE 5-0.

Pickard – if there are any questions, please contact the Town Clerk.

Adjourn
Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Meier to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm. Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Groezinger, sec.