



## SELECT BOARD MINUTES FOR MEETING

Tuesday December 20, 2016 – 7pm

Holland Town Hall

27 Sturbridge Road

Holland, MA

Present: Elias Gillen, Chair

Larry Mandell, Member

Bettina Schmidt, Member

Kelli A. Robbins, Executive Secretary

Chairman, Gillen call the meeting to order at 7PM

**Motion 122016-1 Mr. Mandell**, to waive the reading of the minutes of November 29, 2016, and accept as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. Schmidt. So voted

### Meetings with Board:

1 7:05 Pole hearing – to relocate pole(s) on Over the Top Road

Diane Klaus, representing National Grid, read the joint petition of National Grid and Verizon, New England, requesting permission to relocate pole J010, 21 feet along the same road and along the same frontage of the current property owner. Due to work being performed on Over the Top Road, the pole needs to be moved for drainage, safety and visibility of the home owner whose property is impacted.

Ms. Klaus assisted the abutters present with any questions they had regarding the moving of the pole.

**Motion 122016-2, Mr. Mandel**, To approve the Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England, to locate poles, wires and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across Over The Top Road, relocation of JO Pole 10, removing Pole 10 and relocating pole 10, 21 feet north east of existing location. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ms. Schmidt. So voted

**Motion 122016-3, Mr. Mandell**, To grant permission to lay and maintain underground lateral, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

All members signed appropriate documents provided by National Grid.

2 Chris McClure – McClure Engineering – dam inspection

Mr. McClure began by thanking the Select Board for allowing McClure Engineering to assist the town. Mr. McClure went into detail as to the Phase I, dam inspection but more specifically the inspection of the Rodney Hunt gate. Mr. McClure explained that the gate itself has not been inspected in the past. He also stated that the Highway Surveyor has been “doing an excellent job” maintaining the gate as did his predecessor. The specialist who was also involved with the gate inspection was able to find historical information on the gate’s original design. The gate itself was not intended to be used to maintain water flow but has been successfully used in that capacity since 1959, to maintain required downstream water flow as required by the State.

Mr. McClure recommended the town have an operations manual, for which he would put together a proposal to create one for the town. Mr. McClure provided a handout regarding woody vegetation and addressed the need to have that cleared from the dam. Spauling continues to be an issue and is increasing.

Mr. Mandell asked if Mr. McClure could provide the Select Board with a list of prioritized repairs. Mr. McClure state he would do so.

Ms. Schmidt pointed out that there was inaccurate information in the report and that it looked like it was basically copied and pasted into the new document. Mr. McClure state that Ms. Robbins had pointed that out to him, he apologized for the error. He also stated that the emergency action plan was updated correctly and that is the most important update, as it affects all those who will need to be notified if there is a dam related emergency.

The Board thanked Mr. McClure for coming in to speak with them.

3 Chris Dunphy – PVPC re: Tri Community Grant

Mr. Dunphy discussed progression of the Over the Top road project, being funded through the FY 2013 Holland – Disaster Recovery Grant. The project is substantially complete and it officially ends December 31, 2016. Mr. Dunphy stated there would not be any need to file for an extension.

Mr. Dunphy then discusses the Tri Community Grant opportunity available for Holland. Wales operates a food pantry which includes shut ins within the Holland community. Mr. Dunphy encouraged the town to refer people to the PVPC for services for rehabbing homes by calling 413-781-6045 for help with – housing, domestic violence, food pantry.

Mr. Mandel asked if Mr. Dunphy had any idea how much money is available for housing rehabilitation. Mr Dunphy stated there was \$100,00.00 in the emergency fund.

Mr. Dunphy inquired as to whether Holland would like to apply for the tri-community grant again?

Mr. Mandell asked who would be lead community. Mr. Dunphy stated it was up for discussion.

**Motion 122016-4**, Mr. Mandell, to appoint Bettina Schmidt to represent Holland for the Tri-Community Grant. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Gillen. So voted. Ms. Schmidt abstained.

- 4 LOC - update: Lynn Arnold spoke for the Lake Oversight Committee

LOC members attended Storm Management seminar. Ms. Arnold asked if the All Boards Clerk could scan some documents and email them. Ms. Arnold was seeking attendance from the Select Board for a joint meeting with the Lake Oversight Committee, for further discussion of the feasibility study on dredging the lake. Roles and responsibilities, as well as, mile stones and dates and scope of work need to be assigned. Ms. Arnold stated the next meeting would be January 23. Mr. Gillen stated he would be out of town and not able to attend on that date. Mr. Mandell can attend. Ms. Schmidt needs to check her calendar.

Ms. Arnold explained the LOC would only be meeting once a month thru March on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month.

Some discussion ensued regarding Brandon Cove. A meeting with Conservation, Highway, Lake Oversight and the Select Board has been requested by the Highway department. Ms. Robbins will schedule one for the next Select Board Meeting.

- 5 Bill Terbush – Kayak race - Mr. Terbush was out of town and asked Ms. Arnold to address the Select Board in regard to the Kayak/canoe race fund raiser that is being planned for next fall. It will take place on the North Basin, starting from the Ski Club beach. Would the Select Board please reserve the date of Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 beginning at 10AM.

**Old Business:**

Invoices #4 & #5 PVPC FY 2013 Holland – Disaster Recovery Grant - signed

Chapter 90 reimbursement documents - signed

**New Business:**

Liquor License renewal votes – No issues having occurred over the last year, liquor licenses are automatically eligible for renewal. The following liquor licenses were signed by the Select Board.

Holland Rod and Gun Club – 00004-CL-0536

Heer Convenience Inc./DBA New Holland Market – 00006-PK-0536

Dentamaro, Inc./DBA Diane’s Villa Nova - 00011-RS-0536

164 Mashapaug Road, Inc./Town Crier – 0003-RS-0536

Robert’s Auto Clinic and Tire Center, Inc. – 00010-PK-0536

Common Victullars signed

Robert’s Auto Clinic and Tire Center, Inc. – Class II and Common Victullar

Dentamaro, Inc./DBA Diane’s Villa Nova – Common Victullar

