

Select Board Minutes
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 – 6 pm
Holland Town Hall
27 Sturbridge Road
Holland, MA

Present:

Bettina Schmidt - Chair
Elias Gillen – Member
Valerie Lundin – Secretary Pro Tem

Absent:

Lawrence Mandell – Member

Call to Order:

Ms. Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion 091617-1, Mr. Gillen to approve the minutes of the September 5th, 2nd by Ms. Schmidt.
So voted.

Meetings with Board:

Police Chief Haughey to speak on Massaconic Trail, 5 K, ACO vehicle. Due to being called away, he will speak upon his return.

Old Business:

Fire Chief J. Gagne in attendance. Forms were completed and received by K. Robbins for promotion of family members position on fire department and were found to be in order

Motion 091617-2, Mr. Gillen to accept the forms as submitted and Chief Gagne go forward with the agreed upon position. 2nd by Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

Review committee for the IFP:

Motion 091617-3, Mr. Gillen to accept the following members to the review committee:
One member each from Lake Oversight Committee, Conservation Committee, Board of Health, Highway Department, and a citizen at large. 2nd by Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

New Business:

Motion 091617-4, Ms. Schmidt to table discussion on the Brimfield Road project until representation from the Highway Department could attend the meeting. 2nd by Mr. Gillen.

Appoint member to Council on Aging:

Motion 091617-5, Mr. Gillen to appoint K. Robbins to Council on Aging. 2nd Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

Appoint member to Open Space Committee:

Motion 091617-6, Mr. Gillen to table Open Space Committee Appointments until a full list of applicants has been received. 2nd by Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

Announcements:

Special Town Meeting warrant has been posted - 09/19/17, for the meeting on October 3rd. See town website for further information.

The following are still seeking members:

Conservation – 1 member

LOC – 1 member

Zoning Board of Appeals – 1 member

OPEB – 2 members

Bylaw Committee – 1 member

Capital Planning Committee – 1 member not affiliated with any other boards or committees

Chief Haughey has not returned: however, he wanted to remind everyone that the 5 K race on 9/30/17 is to raise money for the Domestic Abuse program.

Motion 091617-7, 6:10 pm, Ms. Schmidt to suspend general meeting to open Dangerous Dog Hearing. 2nd by Mr. Gillen. So voted.

After update by Dog Warden concerning this issue, Mr. Gillen's understanding is that the dog has been given up to the Human Society in Springfield. Completed paperwork showing proof that the dog no longer resides in Holland, MA will be sent to Holland. When received, it will be given to the Police Department.

Motion 091617-8, 6:15 pm, Mr. Gillen to table this hearing pending receipt of the completed paperwork. 2nd, Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

Motion 091617-9, 6:15 pm, Ms. Schmidt to reopen general meeting. 2nd, Mr. Gillen. So voted.

Open and record Dredging Proposals:

Feasibility returns for dredging of Hamilton Reservoir include the following:

1	ESS Group:	\$66,990.00
2	Ramboll Environ:	\$364,906.00
3	GZA	\$98,300.00
4	Milone & MacBroom	\$97,000.00

Public Access:

- A. A. Hall: asked if anyone had been appointed to the Open Space Committee. Suggested town considering Community Preservation funds. If available could assist the town in different areas of need.
- B. E. Fancy: asked if the Brimfield Road project had been approved.
- C. Fire Chief J. Gagne: Our friends at Newington (CT) Volunteer Fire Department, have replaced their replaced their 3-stage filling system for breathing apparatus and donated their old one to Holland. It will allow five air bottles to be filled at once instead of two. The cost of a used system is approximately \$4,500. If purchased new the cost is \$22,000. Thanks to Firefighter R. Lundin for his assistance and Captain Erik Lundin of Newington.
- D. C. McCoee: reminder the BOS need to write the letter for the draw drawn. Asked if there were any updates on South Boat Launch. Possible funds from HRA to purchase or assist with maintenance of this property.
- E. M. Lee: brought in four bottles of well water from her and neighbors wells that showed contaminates. Should bring issue to BOH.
- F. M. Martone: concerns that many house numbers are not visible and a bylaw states they should be; roads from Ardmore to Fenton are in very poor condition with holes and washouts – not safe and nothing is being done; street signs in same area are spinning around.

Motion 091617-10 Mr. Gillen to adjourn. 2nd Ms. Schmidt. So voted.

Meeting closed 6:45 pm.