

Meeting Minutes

**Minutes Accepted and filed with the Town Clerk on 6/21/2016 by a vote of 5-0 \_\_\_\_ .**

7:00 p.m. – June 7, 2016

Sutton Town Hall, Selectmen's Meeting Room

Members in Attendance:

Chairman David Hall, Vice-Chair John Hebert, Selectmen Paul Maynard, Jesse Limanek & Michael Kenney

Town Administrator James Smith & Deb Jacques, secretary

Chairman Hall calls the meeting to order at 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Forum: no comments

Vice Chair Hebert motions to accept minutes as read from the 05/17/2016 BOS meeting; Selectman Maynard 2nds passes 5-0

Certificates of Recognition read for Gold Award status in Girl Scouts Michaela Kirby, Silver Award status in Girl Scouts Kaitlyn Egan and Erin Martin

Selectmen Reorganization: Chairman Hall states it is a tradition of this board to reorganize yearly so members can move through the leadership positions. Dave goes on to say he honors and appreciates the support of all the board members. It was a privilege to lead this board. It was an eventful year, Dave says he has benefited tremendously for the opportunity to have been Chair. It is a good tradition and very rewarding. Dave thanks TA Smith for his support and guidance throughout the year of Chairman.

At this time, the following motions are made:

Selectman Maynard motions to nominate John Hebert to Chairman, Selectman Kenney seconds passes 5-0

Selectman Limanek motions to nominate Paul Maynard to Vice-Chairman, Selectman Kenney seconds passes 5-0

Selectman Hall motions to nominate Jesse Limanek to Clerk, Selectman Kenney seconds passes 5-0

Chairman Hebert says this is the start of his 4<sup>th</sup> term; this board has done a lot for the town. Chairman Hebert thanks Dave Hall for his professionalism, knowledge of financing, his demeanor and candor comments. This board is solid, we have accomplished a lot but we still have a lot to do. This has been a banner year for Sutton, the school project is complete, there were no pink slips or layoffs at the school, class size is smaller, we have an outstanding Resource Officer, we are seeing roll offs thanks to our exceptional Finance Team, Tim Harrison. We have a AA Stable bond rating. Chairman Hebert goes on to say TA Smith does a fantastic job with keeping open communication between himself and Dept. Heads. Some projects we will be looking at is sewer down to the school, a new Police Station (we already have the site), updates to the existing Highway Barn as well as looking at a new library. Chairman Hebert says he is confident with this board and TA Smith for this work to continue.

TA Update:

Town Hall Appreciation Cookout rescheduled from June 3 to June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Driveway to the ELC- references being checks for Precise Paving, they bid \$146,645.

Meeting at Dept. of Public Utilities- TA Smith and Doreen DeFazio met Paul Grommer from Peregrine in Boston to deliver testimony for the town to provide electricity supply aggregation.

Memorial Day Parade took place May 30<sup>th</sup> due to torrential downpours the school dept. along with our office decided to not have the band participate. Special thanks to all that volunteered to coordinate this event.

Green Line Velo race summary sent to homeowners along the route. There is a copy for each of the BOS.

Announcements/Round Table/ Correspondence/Business Topics:

Vice Chair Maynard reads the list of items needed for the Food Pantry. Paul also mentions the support from the Sutton Fire Dept. extended to Auburn during the recent tragedy of the Police Officer killed and the Fire Chiefs demise. Sutton gave mutual aid so all could attend the services.

Selectman Hall points out that the driveway bid was pulled last year as it came in too high., It was \$75,000. more than this bid- good financial choice. Selectman Hall goes on to say the Memorial Day Parade was a great event, thankyou also to Congressman McGovern and State Rep Joe McKenna for participating. Dave, Mike and Lisa Troast attended the Unibank opening two weeks ago, it was a nice event. Dave also remarks on the recent death of Officer Tarentino and the danger that even exists in small towns.

Selectman Limanek asks if there will be enough time to get the drive way completed. TA Smith replies that once the paperwork is signed it should only take a few weeks. Jesse and Dave went with the veterans around to the cemeteries for reading of the names on Memorial Day. It was a very humbling experience. In the future if the band cannot play instruments due to the weather, they should at least walk, it is great experience. Jesse attended the graduation, it was at Mechanics Hall, and it was fantastic. Jesse also thanks the School Committee for recognition.

Chairman Hebert attended the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting last Thursday, it was continued.

7:34 pm Selectman Hall motions to adjourn, Selectman Limanek seconds passes 5-0