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Town Of Sutton  
Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes

**Minutes Accepted and filed with the Town Clerk on 10/01/2018 by a vote of 4-0**

7:00 p.m. – September 11, 2018  
Sutton Town Hall, Selectmen's Meeting Room

**Members in Attendance:**

Chairman John L. Hebert, Vice Chair David Hall, Clerk Wendy Mead & Selectman Jesse Limanek  
Town Manager James Smith & Deb Jacques, secretary

Chairman Hebert calls the meeting to order at 7:00 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember Police, Fire, EMTs and victims of the 9/11 tragedy 17 years ago.

Public Forum: N/A

Selectman Limanek motions to accept as presented the 8/21/2018 meeting minutes, Vice Chair Hall 2nds passes 4-0  
Selectman Limanek motions to accept as presented the 8/21/2018 Executive Session minutes but not to be released until issue resolved, Selectman Mead seconds passes 4-0

Public Hearing: Pole Hearing Putnam Hill Road & Boulster Road, read as advertised in the August 23, 2018 Millbury Sutton Chronicle by Clerk of the Board Wendy Mead. Present from NGrid is Mel Harvey, engineer for this plan. Mr. Harvey states this is a new pole that will help bring service to 3 new homes on Putnam Hill Road (274, 284 & 286). Police, Fire and Highway have all signed off on this pole. Motion is made to close the Public Hearing. Selectman Limanek motions to approve pole hearing #26446086 from NGrid as advertised in the August 23, 2018 Millbury Sutton Chronicle, Vice Chair Hall seconds passes 4-0

Appointment to the Conservation Commission & ZBA: present is Michael McGovern who has requested to be appointed to Con Com. Town Manager Smith states a vacancy was left by Dan Moroney stepping down. Jim thanks Dan for his years of service to the town. Mike McGovern addresses the Board, he has been a resident for 13+ years and this was his 3<sup>rd</sup> term on the ZBA. Mike owns his own construction business, he understands the process with Conservation and feels he has time throughout the day for site visits or other things that may arise. Vice Chair Hall questions what is the motivation to move from the ZBA to Con Com. Mike McGovern states ZBA meets once a month, Conservation requires more time doing site visits & inspections. Time wise it is more of a commitment but he has the time. Selectman Limanek appreciates his interest in Conservation and applauds his time spent on ZBA. Selectman Limanek asks Mike's thoughts on the local Conservation Bylaws. Mike replies he has read them, he feels they are complicated and a lot to understand, Jesse asks are they too far, are they lenient. Mike feels they are on the stricter side but for now he will abide by the bylaws. Selectman Limanek holds up a pamphlet on training for Conservation Commissioners and asks if Mike would take this class. Mike replies he will see as time goes by, if he feels he should he will. The last question Selectman Limanek asks is does he feel it will be a conflict of interest with him being a builder in town. Mike replies he will handle the same way he handled with the ZBA, he will recuse himself and have no input in the discussion or vote. Selectman Mead thanks Mike for volunteering. Chairman Hebert mentions two things, we are a town with 200 feet of setback in the wetlands and when people are invited to attend a concom hearing have them read the package so they know what they are supposed to do, share your knowledge, the process will go smoother. Vice Chair Hall motions to appoint Michael McGovern to the vacancy left by Dan Moroney on the Conservation Commission with a term to expire June 30, 2019, Selectman Limanek seconds passes 4-0.

Town Manager states Chris Mater is an associate on ZBA, he will now be moved up to voting member. Selectman Limanek motions to appoint ZBA Associate member Christopher Matera to the seat left vacant by ZBA Board member Michael McGovern with a term to expire on June 30, 2021 Vice Chair Hall seconds passes 4-0

Conservation Restriction Deed: Town Manager Smith says this has been signed by Conservation already, once the BOS sign this the control of the restriction will be passed on to Conservation. This is for property at 198 Mendon Road. It will provide a parcel of land to be protected and remain open space. Vice Chair Hall states in reading the paperwork, negotiations have already taken place and it will be built in to the deed. Selectmen Limanek questions Con Com member Andy Dewolfe as Conservation has already signed off. Andy replies the BOS must sign off in order for Conservation to receive it back. Selectman Limanek motions to approve the Conservation Restriction Deed for 198 Manchaug Pond Road, Sutton MA Vice Chair Hall seconds passes 4-0

Draft Fall Town Meeting Warrant: Present is Town Accountant Tim Harrison and Town Planner Jen Hager. The first few articles are budget items, also included is an article to appoint a second Selectman to the Police Station Building Committee, an easement on Reservoir Ave for the Communications tower, approval for designer services for sewer from the Villas to the center. Article 9 is sponsored by the BOS and it is to amend the zoning bylaw regarding solar in the overlay district. 10 through 20 are Planning Board articles that also include some housekeeping regarding solar, an article regarding special permits, the definition of "street" and the removal of the typed permit fees associated with certain required permits. This is just a draft, the final warrant will be before the BOS on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Select. Limanek motions to approve and sign the October 2, 2018 Election Warrant as presented, Vice Chair Hall seconds passes 4-0

#### Town Managers Update:

- Sidewalks at the ELC- there were no bids submitted on this project for the second time. We may have to go back and link this to maybe having one of the parking areas repaved.
- October special Election to elect a new Selectman. This is to be held on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, polls will be open from 7am to 8pm. The candidates are Jonathan Anderson, Jeff Bannon and Kyle Bergeson.
- Candidate Introduction video: the cable dept. is working along with the high school video production class and are putting together a video of each candidate Once complete this will run on the cable channel as well as on the towns Facebook page.
- Revaluation process: bids were opened last week for the 9 year cyclical reclassification. Vision Govt. Solutions was the winning bidder for \$72,000.
- Municibids closed on Friday. We auctioned off 12 items which made the town \$13,527. Some of the cable items did not sell as they are antiquated.

#### Announcements/Round Table:

Vice Chair Hall thanks Wendy Mead (Police Station Building Committee Chair & BOS) for the tour of the Police Station project. Dave also thanks Will Edwards for the ceremony he put together tonight at the Dudley Gendron for 9/11. It was a very moving ceremony.

Selectman Limanek also thanks Will Edwards and goes on to say the BOS were there, Senator Fattman, representatives from the Sutton Fire Dept, the legion members, etc. The chicken barbecue held this past Saturday was a tremendous success. This coming weekend at the 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational church in the basement Waters Farm will have their apple peeling event and the Town Wide yard sale will be going on. This is put on by the Sutton Historical Society.

Selectman Mead thanks the BOS for attending the tour of the Police Station. Wendy also comments on Will Edward's ceremony this evening saying it was very moving. Wendy would like a letter from the BOS to go to Will Edwards thanking him.

Chairman Hebert says the cell tower is up and running on Town Farm Road. John asks about the Boiler project at the school, Town Manager Smith states it will be done by the middle of October. John also thanks Jim for the work on the Gravel Pit and Wendy for the tour of the Police Station. The tribute held tonight at the Dudley Gendron was really good for the town. The legion is the place for the community to come together.

Selectman Limanek motions to adjourn, Vice Chair Hall seconds passes 4-0 meeting adjourned 8:15 pm



