

Stoneham Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting of June 24, 2014

Chairman Thomas Boussy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Selectman John F. DePinto, Selectwoman Ann Marie O'Neill, Selectman Robert W. Sweeney, Selectman Frank Vallarelli, Town Administrator David Ragucci and Town Counsel William H. Solomon.

Chairman Boussy notifies everyone they are being recorded and on TV during the meeting.

Presentation from ENE Systems/Energy Performance/Michael Davey, ENE Systems

Michael Davey from ENE Systems was present to give a PowerPoint presentation. He explains that ENE is one of the largest independently owned Energy Management Companies in New England. Mr. Davey speaks about their goal, how to save energy and upgrade facilities, what to look for, comprehensive capabilities, opportunities. He speaks on recent projects and projects in construction. Paul Murphy, Director for ENE Systems spoke on MGL Chapter 25A process. Chairman Boussy is towns are available for renewal credit that the state pays for solar generation. Mr. Davey's response was that depends on how it is structured and went into a short explanation of this. Selectwoman O'Neill asks about rebates available through energy companies we are currently using and do the Green Community regulations apply. Mr. Davey states that they apply for all rebates and grants available. Green Community is related to this process and spoke briefly on how. Selectmen DePinto asks about tax credits. Mr. Davey responds saying that is possible. He thinks it is being extended another year. Mr. Ragucci asks if it is okay to follow up with this group and have them come back to give a presentation to our Capital Committee within the next month or two. They agreed to this.

Fire Department/Joe Rolli

Chief Joseph Rolli was present to give the Board an update on the Fire Department. Chief Rolli presented a PowerPoint Presentation. Chief Rolli shows a dedication to past and present firefighters. Chairman Boussy ask about the new ladder truck that is going to be needed. Chief Rolli explains the situation with the replacement of the current ladder truck. Chairman Boussy asks how long the process is. Chief Rolli states about a year. Selectman Sweeney states the video was great. Selectmen Sweeney asks about minimum response standards in our surrounding towns. Chief Rolli states they teamed up with other neighboring communities. Chief Rolli states that all cities and towns depend on mutual aid. Chief Rolli states this is the best mutual aid system in the country. Selectwoman O'Neill asks about concern with Weiss Farm and the safety if the project goes there. Chief Rolli states that what has been presented on that the project the access is not going to work for them. Chairman Boussy states that Rachel Meredith-Warren did the Fire Department Review and she stated that Chief Rolli is doing a fantastic job running the Fire Department during these hard times.

Appointments to Boards/Committees

Board of Appeals

One appointment for Associate Member for a one-year term effective until 4/30/15.

Selectman Vallarelli moved to appoint Eric Rubin to the one Associate Member (1) one-year term. Motion was seconded by Selectman DePinto and **unanimously voted (5-0)**.

Open Space and Recreation

One appointment for a three-year term effective until 4/30/2017.

Selectman DePinto moved to appoint John Bracciotti to the (3) three-year term. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman O'Neill and **unanimously voted (5-0)**.

Approve Minutes

Selectman Vallarelli made motion to approve minutes of June 10, 2014, seconded by Selectman Sweeney. **Motion was unanimously voted (5-0)**.

Town Administrator Reports

Mr. Ragucci asks the Board if he can speak to a point of personal privilege. He would like to address the ad that was in the paper this week. Mr. Ragucci states that his role of Chairman on the Evergreen Development Authority is a volunteer position. Mr. Ragucci states he has no part of the negotiation with the casinos. He does not receive any compensation for this volunteer position. Mr. Ragucci states he does this to give back to his community like many members of this community do. Mr. Ragucci feels also that he may be able to learn something that could benefit Stoneham with redevelopment plans. Mr. Ragucci states that starting June 30th there will a new trash pickup in Stoneham. If anyone is looking for information please go to www.stoneham-ma.gov. Briefly, this pickup will consist of limiting trash pickup to 90 gallons which is an average of 3 trash barrels, one item per week of 50lbs or less, anything 50 lbs or more there will be a fee, weekly single stream recycling is now mandatory. Mr. Ragucci states that there will be dumpster at Stevens Street for plastic goods and also we are introducing the food organic program. Larry Means, 4 Victoria Lane asks about recycling being picked up before his trash how will that be worked out. Mr. Ragucci states that this is going to take time to run smooth this is the first time we have changed our trash collection. Mr. Ragucci states that 411 Main Street and the Town has come to some terms with the termination agreement. 411 Main Street has agreed to be off the sidewalk will be July 11th if it is not by July 30th there will be a \$5,000 penalty and as for the area in the back we are giving him until August 31st to clear off that property and if he doesn't then there will be \$7,500 penalty. Mr. Ragucci states that during the time he occupies either space there will be a \$1,000 a month rent/fee that will be charged to 411 Main Street. Scott LeBeau, 55 Pleasant Street speaks regarding trash issue and asks about the cardboard collection. Mr. Ragucci states that there is be a dumpster at Stevens Street for oversized pieces of cardboard. Mr. LeBeau also asks why the Churches and Funeral Homes are getting trash picked up. Mr. Ragucci states that Churches pay a trash fee and will be required to follow the same rules as the residents. As for Funeral

Homes Mr. Ragucci states that if there is an apartment upstairs they also will get picked up because they also pay a trash fee for that residence. Saint Patrick's school needs to be clarified. Selectwoman O'Neill asks about the list for them to look at of who gets their trash picked up. Jim Sullivan, 6 Sunset Road states the Churches should pay more than \$200.00 fee. Mr. Ragucci states he will look into this. Liz Irk, 13 Lincoln Street has a problem that the Purpose School gets picked up and Teachable Moments is not allowed to get their trash picked up. Mr. Ragucci states that June 26th from 10:30-2:30 there will be a mobile classroom in the library parking lot on. Mr. Ragucci spoke on the Atlantic Gelatin going out of business and how this will impact Stoneham. Selectwoman O'Neill thanks Mr. Ragucci for addressing the first issue. Selectwoman O'Neill speaks on a conversation that she had with Attorney Solomon about Stoneham maybe getting compensation for any of the losses we may encounter with the proposed Casinos. Attorney Solomon states having a few people to look at this issue would be a good idea and start looking into this the week after July 4th. Chairman Boussy and Selectman DePinto volunteered for this sit down to address this matter.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

Chairman Boussy brings up the complaint about the line striping on Main Street and why it is a four lane now. Chairman Boussy states he contact Senator Lewis's Office regarding this issue and he requests this be looked into. Selectman DePinto asks Attorney Solomon if the cable funds are correct. Attorney Solomon states yes. Selectman DePinto wants the residents to know that Ravine Road is going to be closed July and August due to MWRA work. Selectman DePinto asks Mr. Ragucci to contact Senator Lewis and have him look into the pothole issues on North Main Street that was just paved and should not be like that. Chairman Boussy states that the Main Street islands are being cleared and planting should be starting this week. Selectwoman O'Neill inquires about the letter that was received from Epsilon. Attorney Solomon will look further into this matter tomorrow.

Executive Session

Selectman DePinto moved to go into executive session, pursuant to Chapter 30A Section 18 of the General Laws to discuss Non Union Personnel and Stockwell and to return as the Board of Selectmen. Motion was seconded by Selectman Vallarelli and was **unanimously voted (5-0)**.

Voting in Favor:

Selectman DePinto
Selectman O'Neill
Selectwoman Sweeney
Selectman Vallarelli
Chairman Boussy

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. to go into Executive Session

Meeting reconvened at 8:55 p.m. to return to the Board of Selectmen

Selectman DePinto made a motion to go back to the Board of Selectmen, seconded by Selectman Vallarelli and **unanimously voted (4-0)**.

Non Union Personnel from Executive Session

Selectman DePinto made a motion to confirm the vote that was taken in Executive Session which was to increase to Grade 59C for the Office Manager, seconded by Selectwoman O'Neill and **unanimously voted 4-0**.

Voting in Favor:

Selectman DePinto
Selectman O'Neill
Selectman Vallarelli
Chairman Boussy

Selectman DePinto moved to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Vallarelli and **unanimously voted (4-0)**.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Sinclair