

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Working Session
Town Hall Conference Room
Minutes of June 19, 2014

Chairman Dick Gandt called the meeting to order at 5:05PM. Board members present in addition to Chairman Dick Gandt, were Martha Morrison, Laura Powers, Steve Lais and Eldon Goodhue. Of the Selectmen's staff, Town Administrator Kellie Hebert and Board Secretary Donna Rich were in attendance. Other persons present during all or part of the meeting were Tri-Town Transcript reporter Anna Burgess and resident Kim Sherwood.

Chairman Gandt announced that the Board would go into Executive Session to discuss negotiating strategies for Police Union and non-union employees and would not return to Open Session.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance – Selectman Goodhue updated the Board on the schedule of clergy that had agreed to begin the regularly scheduled Board of Selectmen meetings in prayer. Selectman Morrison voiced her opposition of the practice. There was a discussion on the subject with no resolution. Selectman Gandt then said he would begin the next meeting with a moment of silence.

Trust Fund Contract – Chairman Gandt updated the Board of the status of the Bank of America contract to hold the Charitable Trust Funds. There was a discussion on the signing authority of the contract for custody of the accounts.

FY15 Goals & Objectives – There was an initial discussion reviewing last year's goals in a broad sense. Kellie suggested that to get a clearer understanding and to learn more of the priorities of the Board that each member submit to her their top two or three goals. She would compile them as input for the Board's next goals meeting.

At 5:28 PM, Selectmen Morrison made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss negotiating strategies for Police Union, Selectman Powers seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, a yes vote was recorded for Chairman Gandt, Selectman Morrison, Selectman Powers, Selectman Lais and Selectman Goodhue. The Board would not return to open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Rich, Secretary
Selectmen's Office

Per the Open Meeting Law, the documents that were either distributed to the BOS before the meeting in a packet, or at the meeting were:

1. Agenda

Approved as written at the August 18, 2014 Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Pursuant to the 'Open Meeting Law,' G.L. 39, § 23B, the approval of these minutes by the Board constitutes a certification of the date, time and place of the meeting, the members present and absent, and the actions taken at the meeting. Any other description of statements made by any person, or the summary of the discussion of any matter, is included for the purpose of context only, and no certification, express or implied, is made by the Board as to the completeness or accuracy of such statements.
