

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2013

Members Present: James DeVellis, Chairman
Mark Sullivan, Vice Chairman
Lorraine Brue, Clerk
Lynda Walsh
Ginny Coppola

Others Present: Town Manager Kevin Paicos
Ron Clough
Fire Chief Hatfield and Deputy Chief Bagley
Planning Board members Kevin Weinfeld, Bill Grieder, Gordon
Greene, Ron Bresse and John Rhoads

The meeting was brought to order at 6:15 at the Boyden Library and continued at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall by James DeVellis, Chairman. Chairman DeVellis reviewed the agenda. It was noted that the Board members toured the library addition at 6:15 this evening. Mr. DeVellis commented that the library is looking to open in late June or early July, it will be a great building for all townspeople.

Mr. DeVellis asked for a moment of silence for the victims of the Boston Marathon bombing yesterday.

Citizen's Input

Ed Galley of 56 North High Street submitted a letter to the Board in regards to hiring practices for the fire department. Mr. DeVellis informed him that employment issues regarding specific employees cannot be discussed due to Open Meeting Law concerns. The letter given to the Town Manager.

DPW Director Roger Hill wanted to inform the residents of town that the water department will begin the hydrant flushing program on April 22nd from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and it will be continuing throughout the spring. This is to remove the accumulated iron and manganese from the water mains to help resolve the discolored water issues in town. They will also be gathering information to be able to develop a hydraulic model of the water system which will help with system improvements in the future. More specific information on the flushing schedule and maps will be available on the water department website. There may be some temporary discoloration of water or loss of pressure during the flushing. Any residents with questions are encouraged to contact the water department at 508 543-1209. This notice will be published in the Reporter, flyers have been sent to town residents and a reverse 911 call will be made.

Ron Clough – Retirement as Forest and Park Supervisor

The Board recognized the retirement of Ron Clough from the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Fire Chief Hatfield and Deputy Chief Bagley also presented a citation for Mr. Clough.