



TOWN OF  
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*Minutes*  
*Board of Selectmen*  
*Monday, March 29, 2010*

Selectmen Linda Saari, Clarence Farwell, Kevin Gorgoglione, Tad Putney and Jack Flanagan were present.

**Minutes & Agendas**

**Ann Somers** sent an email asking that the agendas be posted on the town's web site by the close of business on Friday. **Linda** noted and **Rena** confirmed that the agendas and minutes are posted on the web site. **Linda** also noted that posting the agenda was not a requirement. **Tad** said when he receives the agenda from **Rena** he puts it on the yahoo site.

**Minutes**

**Tad** moved, seconded by **Clarence** to approve the minutes of March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Voted yes 5-0.  
**Clarence** moved, seconded by **Jack** to approve the non public session minutes of March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Voted yes 5-0.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

The Zoning Board has recommended that **Marcia Farwell** be reappointed as a member until March 31, 2013. The Selectmen will address the appointment next Monday.

**Planning Board**

**Jack** moved, seconded by **Clarence** to appoint **Michael Papadimitos** and **Ron Pelletier** as full members until March 31, 2013 and **Paul Anderson** as an Alternate member until March 31, 2013. Voted yes 5-0.

**Conservation Commission**

**Kevin** moved, seconded by **Clarence** to appoint **Tad Putney** as Selectmen's Representative on the Conservation Commission. Voted yes 4-0; **Tad** abstained.

**Overseer of Welfare**

**Clarence** moved, seconded by **Tad** to reappoint **Ann Webb** as Overseer of Welfare until March 31, 2011.

**Safe Routes to School**

**Tad** submitted an estimated budget of \$8,569 for **Miller Engineering & Testing Inc.** for testing of materials for the Safe Routes to School project. It is 100% reimbursable. **Tad** moved, seconded by **Clarence** to authorize **Linda** to sign the estimated budget. Voted yes 5-0. **Tad** said we've received the notice to proceed to the bidding phase of the project. The notice will be in the April 9<sup>th</sup> issue of the H/B

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Journal and the Telegraph with a deadline of April 30<sup>th</sup> to return bids. The Selectmen would open the bids on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The winning bid will be sent to the Dept. of Transportation and we should hear back within a couple of weeks.

### Census 2010

**Judy Cook** sent an email that people with post office boxes do not get a census form in the mail. They need to put an address to every form. After April 12<sup>th</sup> people can contact Census 2010 to get a form. On May 1<sup>st</sup> they will start visiting households to make sure people are counted.

### Police

#### Flag people

**Chief Tom Goulden** was present at the selectmen's request. **Linda** said she noticed that flag people are being used in Hollis on Route 130 while Brookline has police officers on special details. She said it seems safer using flag people with signs and asked why we don't use them. **Tom** said John from Asplundh came in and asked for police officers on Route 130. Tom said he does not solicit for details. **Clarence** said he talked to Dave from Asplundh who said the chief required police officers. **Tom** said they never asked to use flag people. **Linda** said the contractor told her he was requested to use police officers by the chief. **Kevin** said he's more comfortable with flaggers as a driver as he can see a flag person with a sign easier from a distance. **Linda** said it's a police safety issue. **Jack** asked if Tom has a police policy on details. **Tom** submitted copies of Traffic Direction and Control Guidelines for the police department. Tom said seeing a police officer is a deterrent. **Linda** said she goes through both areas every day and can see the flag people easier than the police officers. **Kevin** agreed. **Jack** said there's something about the flaggers using the signs and agrees it's a safety issue. **Tad** said he feels the flaggers give more notice to traffic. He said he talked to 7 residents and 6 feel it's better with flaggers and one preferred a police officer. **Tom** said the site distance determines the number of officers needed on a detail. **Tad** asked if Tom would require police details the whole length of Route 130. **Tom** said he would. He said Chief Ux in Hollis told him he would require police details for any work on Route 122. **Tom** reiterated he does not solicit police details.

#### New Cruiser

**Tom** said he looked at the Chevy Impala. It is built in Canada and has to be sent out to install police equipment, plus none of our equipment can be transferred to that vehicle. He said it's cheaper to get the Crown Victoria. Tom said the Impala is smaller than the Dodge Charger, which is being discontinued. There is a Chevy Caprice being built that will be available in 2012. He said he talked to two police chiefs who have the Impala and at 80,000 miles they are replacing brakes. Tom said the new cruiser should be in service by mid May.

### Garden Club

**Susan Laub and Trish Rosenberg** were present to discuss planning flowers in the triangle in front of the town hall. **Clarence** said the triangle has been owned by the town since 1892. **Linda** said the only issue is not to block the view of traffic. **Susan** said they will keep it the same shape as the triangle. She said she's concerned with the number of signs, particularly political signs near an election. Susan asked to use the flagstones at the site across from Brusck Hall. The Selectmen approved. **Tad** suggested they look at the entire site and come back with a recommendation. They agreed.

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**Gen. Business**

Approved warrants for payment.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.  
Minutes submitted by Rena Duncklee.

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Linda A Saari

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Clarence L. Farwell

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Kevin J. Gorgoglione

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Tad Putney

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Jack B. Flanagan