

Select Board Members
 Peter Hood, Chair
 Mary Just Skinner,
Vice Chair
 William Callnan
 Steve Martin
 Liz Scharf

MINUTES
MIDDLESEX SELECT BOARD
Tuesday, July 26, 2016
5:00 PM
Middlesex Town Clerk's Office
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MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Peter Hood, Vice Chair Mary Just Skinner, Members Steve Martin and Bill Callnan. Sarah Merriman, Select Board Assistant.

Call to Order

Peter called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. There were no amendments to the agenda.

Considering Town Roads for Downgrading

In light of Act 64, a clean-water law, that requires all towns to create engineering plans to control water runoff, the Select Board discussed a list of possible roads to be downgraded. The Board wanted more information on the Act 64 requirements and what would be involved in the water management plans. Also, if different plans would be required depending on the class of road. Some roads that service no more than one house were obvious choices that the Board has discussed downgrading in the past: Merritt Road, Warren Road and the very end of Chase Road that extends into Casey Ellison's property. Bill noted that this should have been done years ago. No action was taken.

Speeding on Shady Rill Road

The Board reviewed a letter from Shady Rill Road resident Heather Katz asking that the speed limit on the entire length of Shady Rill Road be lowered to 30 mph because there is no shoulder and there are blind curves. Bill and Peter asked that the first step should be increased sheriff patrols along Shady Rill. The Board also reviewed the Town's highway ordinance which is 17 years old and needs to be updated. The question was whether the Town is required by law to participate in a traffic study in order to update the ordinance. No action was taken.

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION: Bill moved and Steve seconded approval of the July 12, 2016 Select Board Minutes. The motion passed.

The Board agreed to cancel the regularly scheduled August 9, 2016 Select Board meeting because it is the day of the Statewide Primary. However, orders will be signed.

MOTION: Mary moved and Steve seconded granting the Select Board Assistant authority to sign catering permits provided that she appraises the Board of those she approved. The motion passed.

All Orders were signed.

The Board discussed scheduled state construction on a US Route 2 bridge and brainstorm possible candidates to be appointed to the Planning Commission seat that was vacated by Thea Schwartz this month.

Peter adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Merriman
Town Clerk/Select Board Assistant