

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2013**

Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Present were Selectpersons Mark Fairbrother and Chris Boutwell, Patricia Allen was participating via remote participation; Town Administrator Frank Abbondanzio; Administrative Secretary Wendy Bogusz; Police Chief Charles Dodge; Town Planner Walter Ramsey; Chris Curtis from The Recorder

Meeting being taped

Ms. Allen was participating via remote participation due to geographical distance.

Minutes

Mr. Fairbrother made a motion to accept the Board of Selectmen minutes of Monday, January 7, 2013. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

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Police Chief Charles Dodge

Chief Dodge read a letter of commendation for Montague Police Officers James Deery, John Dempsey, Mike Sevene and Erving Police Officer Robert Holst regarding the arrest of an armed domestic violence aggressor.

Town Administrators Report

Memorandum of Agreement

Mr. Abbondanzio asked the board to sign a Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Montague, Franklin Regional Council of Governments, Franklin County Emergency Communication System Oversight Committee and Users of Franklin County Emergency Oversight Communication System. This is an agreement for a three year period through June 30, 2016.

Mr. Fairbrother move that the board approve the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Town of Montague, Franklin Regional Council of Governments, Franklin County Emergency Communication System Oversight Committee and Users of Franklin County Emergency Oversight Communication System with a term of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

Fiscal Year 2011 Community Development Block Grant Extension Request

Extra time is needed to complete some work so there is a request that the grant be extended to May 31, 2013.

Mr. Fairbrother moved that the board approve and sign the Fiscal Year 2011 Community Development Block Grant Extension Request through May 31, 2013. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

Authorization to Disburse

Invoice number 2 for the Unity Park Phase Two Improvements Project was presented for approval. This is for design work being done by Berkshire Design Group.

Mr. Fairbrother moved that the board approve payment for Invoice number 2 for the Unity Park Phase Two Improvements Project in the amount of \$2,600. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

Change Order Form

A Change Oder and Final Completion forms for the Siemens Industry, Inc. project were presented for approval. The Change Order eliminates the network controllers as we are self-implementing that. There's revision of \$430 and a small reduction in the amount of energy savings. The network controllers allow remote access to the system and thermostat settings.

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Mr. Fairbrother moved that the board approve Change Order #1 between the Town of Montague and Siemens Industry, Inc. to eliminate the network controllers as town is self-implementing. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

There is also a Certificate of Final Completion with Siemens to sign.

Mr. Fairbrother moved that the board approve the Final Completion forms for Siemens Industry, Inc.. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye

Topics Not Anticipated

Executive Session

Mr. Fairbrother moved that the board go into executive session under MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining- Implementing Pay & Classification study, Finance Committee invited, votes may be taken and under MGL Chapter 30A, Section (a)(6) to consider the Colle Lease Renewal of Real Property with Responsive Classroom, votes may be taken, and the board will only reconvene to adjourn. Seconded by

Upcoming Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday, March 25, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Montague Town Hall, upstairs meeting room, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls MA.

Mr. Fairbrother makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM. Seconded by Ms. Allen. Approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell- Aye