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Board of Selectmen
September 14, 2021
Minutes

Present: Selectman Michael Marcucci, Chairman Osler Peterson, Selectman Gus Murby, Assistant Town Administrator Nicholas Milano, Town Counsel Mark Cerel

Announcements
Chairman Marcucci called the meeting to order. He disclosed that the meeting is a hybrid format and is being recorded and live streamed on Medfield TV.

Moment of appreciation for our Troops serving around the globe in defense of our country.

Appointments

Police Chief Michelle Guerette to discuss K9 Program and provide Department Update & Request Board of Selectmen vote to authorize the Chair to sign the FY22 State 911 Department Training Grant Application

Chief Guerette updated the Board on the following:

- New policies and procedures manual for the department effective 8/29/21
- Training in October on policing and mental health in communities focusing on de escalation in enforcement issues
- Staffing: Four newer officers are nearing their one-year anniversary. Fifth officer is starting in October. Officer Stanley was deployed for a year and took a leave of absence on his return but he starts back tomorrow. Sergeant Geary retired. Two new officers are starting the academy in December.

Selectman Murby made a motion to authorize the Chair to sign the FY22 State 911 Department Training Grant Application. Seconded by Selectman Peterson. The Vote: Mr. Peterson: YES; Mr. Murby: YES; Mr. Marcucci: YES

Selectman Peterson asked about the mental health initiative and connection with Riverside. Chief confirmed that they partner with Riverside. Traffic enforcement is up 400% (either money-tickets or motor stops with education).

Selectman Murby asked about the gun range on state property that is managed by the Medfield PD in the context of the MSH Trinity proposal.

Chief Guerette updated the Board on the K9 Program and the departure of Officer Bonadies and the retirement of Harry with his current trainer. Officer Ledbetter will take over the position and obtain a new K9 from the Stanton Program to develop the proper bond. No Town funds are

required. Selectman Peterson asked about costs and benefits of the program. No official action is necessary.

Board of Water and Sewerage to discuss PFAS

Selectman Marcucci wanted to discuss the PFAS issue scientifically and regulatory. William Harvey, chair of Board of Water & Sewerage and DPW Director Maurice Goulet were present to discuss. PFAS testing results were shared. Mr. Harvey described the family of chemicals and how they have been used. Health issues include cholesterol, toxicology, and endocrine disruptors. Six samples are obtained and the limit is 20 parts per trillion; MA is the most stringent state. Testing began in January 2021 in Medfield. He reviewed the levels from local wells. The new water treatment facility is adaptable to create treatment for wells 3 and 4. Questions about the handling and disposal of the contaminants. Discussion of exposure, risks, funding for engineering study, and timing. Discussion of scenarios, science, finances, and regulations on the materials using such chemicals. Maurice Goulet will provide additional information on scopes and costs for Wells 1, 2, and 6.

Jackie Alford, Megan B. Sullivan and Catherine F. White, Co-Chairs of Sustainable Medfield, to discuss Sustainable Medfield

Ms. Alford shared information on Sustainable Medfield, started as a citizen environmental group focusing on collaboration and formed in January of 2020. They are officially a part of the Medfield Foundation as a non-profit organization. They have been networking with many organizations throughout town and accessing the memberships of existing groups to further spread information. She showed the Action Portal on sustainablemedfield.org. Selectmen were supportive of the organization. Megan Sullivan requested the Town be officially part of the network.

Update from Georgia Colivas, Treasurer/Collector regarding the Town's bond rating

Georgia Colivas stated that Moodys reinstated AA1 for tomorrow's bond sale and cited the following:

- Sound financial position with a healthy reserve level
- stable tax base with strong wealth levels
- positive history of voter approvals with Proposition 2 ½ overrides
- Manageable debt, pension, and OPEB liabilities

Vote to authorize the Treasurer to refund all or any portion of the following outstanding bonds of the Town: (a) Municipal Purpose Loan of 2007 Bonds dated June 1, 2007 and (b) Municipal Purpose Loan of 2010 Bonds dated June 15, 2010

Selectman Murby made the following motion: I move that in order to reduce interest costs the Town Town Treasurer is authorized to issue refunding bonds at one time or from time to time pursuant to Chapter 44 Section 21A of the General Laws or pursuant to any other enabling authority to refund all or any portion of the following outstanding bonds of the Town: (a) Municipal Purpose Loan of 2007 Bonds dated June 1, 2007 and (b) Municipal Purpose Loan of