

TOWN OF ADAMS SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, September 5, 2012 – 7:00 PM

TOWN HALL, MEETING ROOM, 1st FLOOR, ADAMS, MA 01220

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM**
2. **READING OF MINUTES – August 22nd, 2012**
3. **CITIZEN'S CONFERENCE**
4. **PUBLIC HEARING**
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - Appointment of Special Counsel to the Greylock Glen Project
7. **SUBCOMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**
8. **A. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
B. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
C. POLICE DEPARTMENT
D. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
 - MassWorks Infrastructure Program
 - Appointment of Program & Grants Coordinator**E. OTHER DEPARTMENTS**
F. TOWN COUNSELOR'S REPORT
9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
10. **APPROVALS**
 - Motorcycle Cruz Night – Park Street - Saturday, September 22nd from 6:00 – 9:00 PM
11. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 1. Agenda items

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12. **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- To comply with the provisions of any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

September 5, 2012

On the above date the Board of Selectmen held a meeting at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Chairman Harrington presided, present: Michael Ouellette, Scott Nichols, John Duval and Edmund R. St John IV, absent Jonathan Butler, Town Administrator.

Chairman Harrington called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

A motion made by Member Duval, seconded by Member Nichols to approve and waive the reading of the minutes of August 22, 2012 – 3 Yeas, 1 Abstain (MO)

CITIZEN'S CONFERENCE

Resident, Michael Roberts representing the Fall Run Committee updated the Board on the 31st Annual Fall Run; this event will take place on Sunday, September 23rd, 2012. The event raises money for the Shriners Hospital; to date they have raised \$456,374. Mr. Roberts asked permission to place a sign on Route 8 directing bikes into the field.

A motion made by Member Ouellette, seconded by Member Nichols to approve the request for a sign to be placed on Route 8 – Unanimous – motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

To assist the Town with the legal work for the Greylock Glen project, the Town will engage Attorney Donald Dubendorf as Special Counsel.

A motion made by Member Nichols, seconded by Member Ouellette to designate Attorney Dubendorf as Special Counsel, and the position of Special Counsel as a “special municipal employee, consistent with M.G.L. chapter 268A – Unanimous – motion passed.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MassWorks Infrastructure Grant Application:

Donna Cesan, Community Development Director presented to the Board the following, MassDevelopment hired Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) to assist the Town in the design and engineering of needed improvements to Gould and Thiel Roads and utility upgrades and extensions to serve the Town's proposed Greylock Glen Outdoor Recreation & Environmental Education Center. The Town was awarded \$2 million from the Governor's 2011 Supplemental Budget to begin the first phase of improvements, construction of which began this May. Town staff is currently working with VHB to develop an application under the Commonwealth's MassWorks Infrastructure Program for funding to complete the second and final phase of needed improvements. VHB has estimated the total construction cost at approximately \$2 million (see attached cost estimate). This work includes the construction of a new 400,000 gallon water tank,

new water mains and sewer line improvements along Thiel Road, and a full-depth replacement of the pavement of the remaining sections of Thiel Road. If the project is funded under MassWorks, work is expected to begin by May 2013 and be completed by the end of June 2014.

A motion made by Member Nichols, seconded by Member Ouellette to approve the application to the 2012 MassWorks Infrastructure Program for approximately \$2,000,000 in funding for Phase II of road and utility improvements at Greylock Glen – Unanimous – motion passed.

Position of Program and Grants Coordinator:

A motion made by Member Ouellette, seconded by Member Nichols to approve the ratification of Brian Sarchi to the position of Program and grants Coordinator – Unanimous – motion passed.

APPROVALS

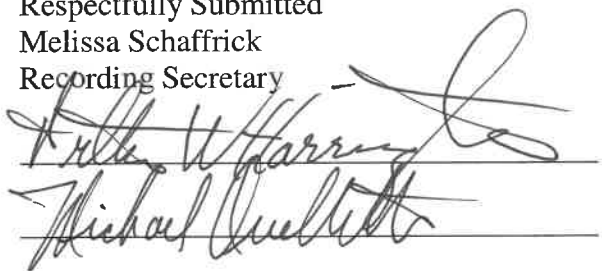
A motion made by Member Nichols, seconded by Member Ouellette to approve the Motorcycle Cruz night on Park Street, Saturday, September 22nd from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. – Unanimous – motion passed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

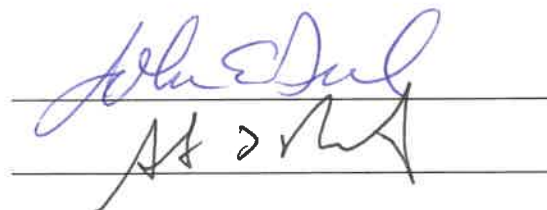
Member Nichols reminded residents that there are elections tomorrow and to get out and vote. Member Duval reminded residents of the Public Forum that the Selectmen hold on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM. Residents who have questions or concerns can come in and speak with a Selectmen, he is hoping to see more residents at the meeting in October. Chairman Harrington wanted to thank everyone involved with the recent funeral of Pfc. Michael Demarisco, the community worked together to honor a brave soldier, he was very thankful for that.

A motion was made by Member Ouellette, seconded by Member Nichols to enter into Executive Session at 7:46 PM to comply with the provisions of any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements – Roll Call Vote 4 Yeas – Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted
Melissa Schaffrick
Recording Secretary



Handwritten signatures of Melissa Schaffrick and Michael Ouellette.



Handwritten signature of John Duval.

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TOWN COUNSEL REPORT

This office continues its work on the easements for the proposed Bike Trail, including meetings with staff, drafting of the necessary documents and communications with the DOT.

Town Counsel met with the Housing Department and Community Development concerning potential zoning enforcement issues and proposed bylaws.

Town Counsel consulted with the Town Administrator and the Chief of Police concerning legal issues raised by the public record request submitted by a private citizen.