

SELECT BOARD RETREAT AGENDA
TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH

Thursday, June 23, 2011 – 8:30 AM

374 Union Street, Unit 103, Peterborough, New Hampshire



1. Liaison Appointments
2. Review of 2010 Retreat Goals
 - a. Manage Capital Projects
 - b. Manage Town Budget
 - c. Town Gateways
 - i. Route 101/202 property
 - ii. Mini islands
 - d. Community Center
 - e. Alternative Energy
 - i. Legislation
 - ii. Green Building Ordinance
3. Tentative Dollar Impact due to Loss of State of New Hampshire Revenue
4. Tentative Dollar Impact of ConVal Apportionment Costs
5. Length of Pool Bond
6. Downtown Building and Infrastructure Possibilities
7. Proposed Constellation Energy Partnership
8. Comcast "Project Open Voice" Initiative
9. Carbon Challenge Initiatives
 - a. Hybrid Fleet
 - b. Electric Charging Stations
10. Habitat for Humanity Possibilities for Evans Flats
11. Future of Monadnock Country Club
12. Rehabilitation of Peterborough and Monadnock Plazas

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Tuesday, March 1, 2011 – 8:30am

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Present: Joe Byk, Barbara Miller, Elizabeth Thomas

Also Present: Pamela Brenner, Carol Ogilvie, Rodney Bartlett, Nicole MacStay

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

Liaisons Appointments

Mr. Byk volunteered to be the Select Board's liaison to the Agriculture Commission. The Board to keep the remainder of the liaison appointments the same as the previous year. **Ms. Thomas** suggested that David Robins may be a good potential volunteer to fill one a vacancy.

Review of 2010 Retreat Goals

Mr. Byk said that there are plans being put together to build a 10-12 month greenhouse in conjunction with the community gardens at the Community Center. **Chair Miller** said that she would assist **Mr. Byk** with seeking funding opportunities.

Revenue Losses

Ms. Brenner said that the Governor has just vetoed the pension reforms passed by the House and Senate. **Ms. Brenner** then reviewed the projected costs to the town without the reforms to the state retirement system. She said that the State's budget also includes a reduction in flood control, which has been paid to the Town since the 1930s when the land behind the MacDowell Dam was flooded. That payment, which had been \$45,000 has been reduced to \$10,000.

Regionalized Services

The Board discussed possible opportunities to regionalize more services in an effort to reduce costs. It was noted that the biggest roadblock to regionalization is territorialism.

Orton Family Planning Grant and Planning Opportunities

Mr. Bartlett and **Ms. Ogilvie** explained the criteria behind the Orton Family Fund Heart and Soul Planning Grant. They said that they plan to incorporate a plan to work with Constellation New Energy to build a solar array at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and regional purchasing with more traditional planning for the downtown, Granite Block, Main Street Bridge and Library, as well as Comcast's Project Open Voice. **Ms. Ogilvie** said that the Greater Downtown TIF District will expire next year without a town meeting vote to extend. **Mr. Bartlett** then gave an update on the progress of the wastewater treatment plant construction. He also said that the rate study should be ready in August or September.

There was a discussion about the current status of the plazas and the Cumberland Farms property. The Board considered a number of possibilities for action should the Magic Flute CDBG proposal fall through. **Chair Miller** said that she would reach out to Ms. Goohs.

Ms. Ogilvie explained that she had been approached at a recent housing summit by the director of the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, who showed interest in helping to develop the town-owned property on Evans Road. The Board discussed the proposal at length, and asked **Ms. Ogilvie** to return with a conceptual sketch of how the land might be used.

Monadnock Country Club

Ms. MacStay, using a letter written by Atty. Runyon in 1989 to the then president of the Monadnock Country Club, explained that in fact there is no clause in the Monadnock Country Club's deed requiring that the property be turned over to the Town should it cease to operate as a golf course for any length of time. **Chair Miller** said that she would convey this letter to the current president.

Pool Bond

After reviewing Ms. Vaihinger's memo, the Board agreed that a 10-year bond would be the best option.

Motion:

Chair Miller made a motion to instruct Ms. Vaihinger to obtain a 10-year bond to support the Adams Pool Rehabilitation; **Ms. Thomas** seconded.

Vote:

Chair Miller, Ms. Thomas and **Mr. Byk** voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

ConVal Apportionment

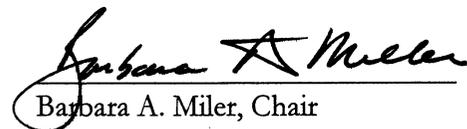
Ms. Brenner explained that as things currently stand, the Town of Peterborough's payment to the ConVal School District will drop by approximately \$266,000 in FY'12. She then reviewed all the variables which lead to the change, and explained that this is not the final calculation.

The Board decided to take up the Carbon Challenge at a later meeting.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:46am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole MacStay, Assistant to the Town Administrator

PETERBOROUGH
SELECT BOARD:


Barbara A. Miler, Chair


Joe Byk


Elizabeth M. Thomas

ACTION ITEM PENDING LIST

1. 10-12 month greenhouse at the Community Center – Joe Byk, Joyce Carol
2. Seek funding opportunities for greenhouse – Joe Byk, Barbara Miller
3. Conceptual plan for Evans Road property – Carol Ogilvie
4. Explore opportunities to regionalize services – Staff
5. Work with various parties towards overall planning goals – Staff
6. Bring a Downtown TIF District extension Warrant Article to Town Meeting in 2013