

APPROVED  
MINUTES OF THE MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN FIFTH MONDAY FORUM  
March 31, 2014

**PRESENT:** Gary Daniels, Chairman  
Mark Fougere, Vice Chairman  
Mike Putnam, Member  
Katherine Bauer, Member  
Kevin Federico, Member  
Guy Scaife, Town Administrator  
Darlene J. Bouffard, Recording Secretary  
Zachery Steinbrecher, Videographer

**1. CALL TO ORDER, BOARD OF SELECTMEN INTRODUCTIONS & PUBLIC SPEAKING INSTRUCTIONS:** Chairman Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Daniels introduced Board members and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Daniels noted that those people in the audience who want to speak or add to the discussion should please use a microphone in order to be heard on the PEG Access live broadcast. Chairman Daniels explained why the Fifth Monday forum is held and that there is no agenda for the forum, it is an open meeting for the public to come in to bring any issues of concern to the Board.

**2. 5<sup>th</sup> MONDAY FORUM COMMENTS.**

**Labor Day Parade** – Gerry Guthrie thanked the Board of Selectmen for supporting the Labor Day Parade warrant article and asked if that parade can be put in the budget in the future? Chairman Daniels said that might be a possibility and other things are also a possibility to be added to the budget, however, items have been kept as separate warrant articles in the past because the Board tries to keep the budget as essential things for the town. Chairman Daniels commented that as a warrant article, the voters get to vote specifically for or against an item, where in the budget it is all or none. Other items have also been on the warrant for years and they get voted in year after year. Mr. Guthrie understands that it could be cut from the budget if the budget does not pass. Chairman Daniels said that is a possibility and thinks if a default budget is passed all the extra things could fall off and may not be supported. That is the risk. Selectman Bauer read the results from the election on the Labor Day Parade: in favor 1324, opposed 423, therefore it passed. Vice Chairman Fougere said that is pretty good support. Selectman Bauer noted the Board has talked about putting certain things in the budget and more discussion will occur prior to next year’s election. Vice Chairman Fougere agreed, we have been asking for money for the Pumpkin Festival for 20 years and it is always supported.

**Fletcher Site** – Mr. Guthrie asked for an update from Guy Scaife on the timing of when the Fletcher cleanup will begin. Guy Scaife indicated the EPA sent a letter stating they are getting ready for the 100% design; that was in response to the letter sent to them in 2012. The response was supposed to come in today but it was not received. GE possibly could begin remediation work next summer or spring. On April 7, minor work will begin on Mill Street with the removal of some rail track. In May, PSNH will change a pole down in that area and both of these efforts are part of this project.

Mr. Guthrie noted that he is trying to raise money for the pergola project at Keyes Park, and if it works well, he will approach other banks with this fundraiser. Guy Scaife indicated it is a minimum one year cleanup project and may be more. It also depends on the OU-2 clean up. We are pushing to have that done immediately following the OU-1 clean up. They might push it into a two year project but we are a minimum of 2 or 3 years away from having the site cleaned up and the town having the opportunity to do something with that property.

**Pergola Project at Keyes Park** - Mr. Guthrie distributed a plan of the pergola project to the Board, explaining that starting this spring, they are trying to raise money by selling bricks, there is another month left to sell the bricks. Mr. Guthrie indicated the total cost of the project will be about \$40,000 with the landscaping and everything. He has spoken to Vice Chairman Fougere about the granite pieces left over from the new ambulance facility, he felt that this project might be eligible to use those materials; about 30 blocks are needed. DPW has ample blocks around town and he would like to see if DPW could designate and reserve boulders for this project but so far DPW has been reluctant to provide that. Mr. Guthrie continued that the project could use nicer materials but that has a higher cost. It would be nice to finish this project off this year. The bricks for sale are \$50 each. Vice Chairman Fougere asked

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1 how people can buy a brick. Mr. Guthrie explained the Recreation Department has the forms and they are also on  
2 the website. Recycling bins are also planned for Keyes Park, but those are expensive. Vice Chairman Fougere ex-  
3 plained the granite that is sitting around is from when the school was taken down, if we are not using it, we should  
4 give it to this project. Guy Scaife explained there is a little more to the story than what has been presented, there  
5 was a push to get the material brought to Keyes too early, but once we had the work done, and know what is needed,  
6 we would look at that. DPW did not want boulders just sitting in the way (at Keyes) while other work was being  
7 done, if they were in the way that would be a safety issue.

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9 Chairman Daniels asked if we could set material off to the side if it is identified for this project. Guy Scaife said  
10 DPW needs to be in the loop, all the projects need to be looked at, and materials are used in a lot of other projects.  
11 We are not sure what time frame the granite will be placed. Mr. Guthrie said they are looking to have that placed in  
12 May or June of this year. Guy Scaife commented that DPW has and will continue to work with Recreation on this  
13 effort. Mr. Guthrie said they are also looking to get recycling bins for Keyes but they are expensive at \$1,200 each.  
14 There is a grant through the State for these bins and the Recycling Committee needs to talk about that some more in  
15 their meetings. Chairman Daniels said the total for the pergola project is \$40,000 so any donations would come off  
16 that total or in kind donations would come of the top. Mr. Guthrie said that is correct and the Garden Club is donat-  
17 ing a tree that was to be purchased as part of this project.

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19 **Milford Destination Imagination (DI).** Three students, Michael Federico, Adam Johnson and Andi Sidne ex-  
20 plained that the high school DI team is eligible to attend Globals in Knoxville TN. The DI teams are given a prob-  
21 lem and must find a solution. The DI teams are asking for monetary donations to take care of the travel expenses for  
22 this year and some expenses from last year. A GOFUNDME website is being set up for the Milford High School DI  
23 team and it will keep track of how much money has been raised to reach the goal. This is also being put on Face-  
24 book, Twitter and in the Cabinet as well. There are 1-2 months in which to come up with the money for Globals  
25 which is on May 21. Fundraising will also be done around town during the next month or two to raise money in-  
26 cluding a flower sale, car wash, adult dance and 50/50 raffle. The DI team is trying every possible way to reach its  
27 goal, including “canning” (having collection cans) at the dump and at Market Basket. Last year the DI team in-  
28 curred debt and money was raised but not enough to pay for it all. Chairman Daniels asked if the money is used for  
29 travel expenses and asked how many people go on the trip? Mr. Federico responded there are 9-10 people that at-  
30 tend and the money will be used for travel and lodging expenses. Mr. Federico added that there is a DI website that  
31 gives an explanation of what the Globals are or if people want to learn more about what they do.

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33 **3. NON-PUBLIC SESSION.** Selectman Putnam moved to enter into Non-public session at 7:32 pm in accordance  
34 with RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – Personnel. Selectman Bauer seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed 5/0. After dis-  
35 cussion, Selectman Putnam moved to come out of non-public session. Selectman Federico seconded. All were in  
36 favor. Motion passed 5/0. Chairman Daniels announced that in non-public session the Board discussed a personnel  
37 issue. No decisions were made, no votes were taken and the minutes of the non-public session were sealed.

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39 **4. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before this Meeting, Selectman Putnam moved to  
40 adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Selectman Federico seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed 5/0.

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