Town of West Brookfield-Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of Meeting - Regular Session – October 2, 2012

LOCATION: Town Hall – Lower Level Conference Meeting Room  
TIME: 6:15PM  
PRESENT:  Mike Frew, Mark Long, Barry J. Nadon, Jr. – Selectmen, Johanna Barry – Exec Sec and members of the press and cable t.v.

Call To Order:  6:15PM  - The meeting was called to order by Mike at 6:25pm

The Board executed the Payroll & Expense Warrants.

Accept Minutes:
Barry motioned to accept the Minutes of September 18, 2012 (Regular Session). Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Barry motioned to accept the Minutes of September 18, 2012 (Executive Session). Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Barry motioned to accept the Minutes of September 28, 2012 (Regular Session). Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

Barry motioned to amend the Minutes of May 15, 2012 to include the following language:  

DOG HEARING – Guzik 6:31PM:
Pursuant to the provisions of MA General Laws Chapter 140 Section 157, the Board of Selectmen held a Public Hearing on a follow up dog complaint brought against Gary and Jennifer Guzik by Brian LaRiviere. (Guzik’s were not present, nor did they contact the Board. Ms. Lizzette I. Anaya-Calderson spouse of Brian LaRiviere and ACO Leah Shattuck were present.) Noting total disregard for several of the Selectmen’s “In Hand” issued Hearing Notices, Barry motioned that the following action be taken:

The Board of Selectmen Order the following actions be taken:

1) Both dogs must be removed from the Town of West Brookfield within ten (10) days of the receipt of this Order and you must notify the Board of Selectmen’s Office of the physical address where each dog is placed within the same time limit.

2) You have the option to relinquish custody of your dogs, at no cost to you, to the Town of West Brookfield for placement by the Animal Control Officer (ACO). The Town will accept your dogs for placement regardless of any particular issue(s).

3) Neither party (Gary Guzik nor Jennifer Guzik) will be allowed to license a dog in the Town of West Brookfield, MA commencing 10/2/2012. Dogs may NOT be licensed to any resident of 5 Ash Lane without prior approval from the Selectmen’s Office.

If you are aggrieved by this decision, you may appeal it the Western Worcester District Court within ten (10) days pursuant to G.L. c. 140, s157.

Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

POLE HEARING – Snow Road – 6:45PM:
Barry Nadon excused himself from the Board, stating that he was an abutter. Diane Clowes represented Nationalgrid. Merry Pellegrino, an abutter, was also present. Barry Nadon, 110 Snow Road, asked Ms. Clowes whether or not pole #4 would be straightened. He also asked about a leaning pole near 102 Snow Road. He stated that he would like to see these two (2) poles straightened while the work crews were in the area. Ms. Clowes stated that she would make notes and bring the information back to Nationalgrid. She further stated that the telephone company would need to be involved in the pole straightening, as their lines are the most weighted and are probably stressing the line making it lower than normal. Ms. Clowes stated that she would work on the issue with the Nationalgrid engineers and hope to correct these two (2) leaning poles. Mark motioned to approve the Pole Hearing, with the notes regarding the two (2) leaning poles in the vicinity of the work. Second Mike. The Board voted unanimously.
Rayne Petruzzi – Letter of Interest for Common Committee Post:
Ms. Petruzzi wrote the Board to express interest in the recent vacancy on the Common Committee. Noting that they had just appointed Martha Leaseca-Salem to fill Sarah Allen’s position until the Election, the Board stated that since it was an elected position Ms. Petruzzi would need to “pull papers” and run for the post in May.

Joseph Ciejka, Plumbing Gas Inspector – Rate Increase Request:
Upon recommendation by the Gas/Plumbing Inspector, Barry motioned to raise the fee schedule as requested by the Inspector, effective immediately. Second Mark. The Board voted unanimously.

The Board adjourned at approximately 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman                        Vice Chairman            Clerk