

PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

PRESENT: Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger
Councilman Gary Simpson
Councilman Lewis Somers
Superintendent Peter Marshall

ABSENT: Councilman Daniel Meyer
Councilman Eric Jones

Supervisor Alger brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm. She led in the pledge to the flag.

Mrs. Alger asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the October meeting. There were none. Mr. Simpson made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with three yeases and no nos. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Jones were absent.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Mr. Burlingame had nothing to report. Mr. Simpson advised everyone that any complaint that would involve Code Enforcement must be put in writing and presented to Mr. Burlingame. Mr. Burlingame said he had some forms that one could complete to file a complaint.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Marshall reported that the highway crew had been patching, hauling sand and preparing the trucks for winter weather.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT: There was none available.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Charter Communications announced programming changes.

Mrs. Alger informed everyone that there would be a Celebration of Life for Jerry Cushman at the Plymouth Fire House on November 19, 2017 between 1:00pm and 4:00pm.

She also announced that there would be a Breakfast with Santa at the Plymouth United Methodist Church on December 9, 2017 from 8:00am to 10:00am.

BOARD CONCERNS: Mr. Simpson made a resolution to create a position for a person to oversee the maintenance of the Town Hall. The position would pay \$1,200.00 per year. Mr. Somers seconded the resolution. The Board was polled and the resolution passed with three yeases and no nos. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Jones were absent.

Mrs. Brown announced that the Town website should be up and running within the week.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: Mr. Peter Hudiburg let the Board know that he had a petition signed by people who favor looking into low cost ways to reduce Plymouth long term energy costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. He collected about 183 signatures. He asked the Board for permission to bring in Tara Jo Dinadio who is the liaison for the Clean Energy Communities Program. She can give a presentation on this subject. He also asked that the Planning Board members be invited to come to this presentation. The general consensus was that people would like to hear what she had to say. Mr. Simpson reminded Mr. Hudiburg

that there was a time limit for people addressing the Board. Mrs. Alger said that an exception could be made in the case of a guest speaker.

Mrs. Sandy Pierce asked the Board to clarify the number of positions that exist on the Planning Board. Mr. Jerry Kriener said that there were five positions on the Board. She also asked when the Board was created. Mr. Kreiner guessed that it was created in the mid 1990s. Next she asked what the process was to be on the Board. Mrs. Alger said that a person had to be appointed. Mrs. Pierce said that she would like to volunteer for the Board.

Mr. Tom Kreiner asked about any activity on the possibility of getting a cell tower. Mr. Simpson reported that there was no interest by any entity to erect a tower. Mr. Kreiner also asked if the Board was considering passing a Town law to regulate properties that are poorly kept up. Mr. Simpson said that there was a law in place, but the action had to be initiated by a written complaint. Mr. Kreiner suggested that the ordinance be changed to not requiring a written complaint and to have some specific consequences if the property is not cleaned up.

Mr. Rodney Oakley asked if the Board had anyone in mind to fill the maintenance position. The Board said no. Mr. Jerry Kreiner suggested that a Councilman should do the job. Mrs. Alger was concerned that the simple repairs could not be done by a Councilman. Mrs. Alger said that the Board would discuss it.

Mr. O'Connor presented the Board with a packet concerning the 458 Veterans Exemption. He said he would like to address the Board about this at the December meeting. Mrs. Alger told everyone that the County is still looking for a person to run a Veterans Assistance Office. The position pays \$7,000.00 a year for a 20 hour week.

Mr. Hudiburg said he had heard complaints about missing speed limits signs on the German Hollow Road and Deming Road. Mr. Marshall said that people steal the signs.

Mrs. Alger announced that the next meeting will be on December 11, 2017 at 6:30pm.

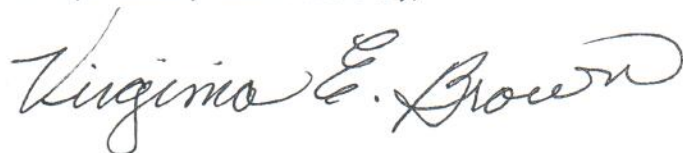
Mr. Simpson made a motion to review the bills. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with three yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Jones were absent.

Mr. Somers made a motion to pay the bills. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with three yeses an no nos. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Jones were absent.

Mr. Somers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with three yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Jones were absent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia E. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Virginia E. Brown
Plymouth Town Clerk
November 20, 2017