

MILTON SELECT BOARD MEETING

March 30, 1998

6:30 p.m.

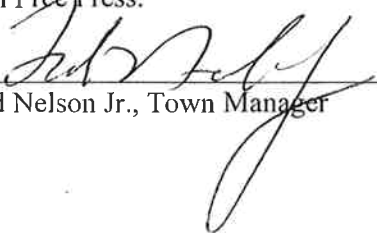
Milton Municipal Complex.

Agenda

- I. Call to order.
- II. Flag salute.
- III. Public Hearings:
 - A) Update the Comprehensive Plan;
 - B) Zoning Regulation amendments; and
 - C) Creation of a Tax Increment Financing District.
- IV. Action as a result of the Public Hearings.
- V. Joint meeting with various commissions/boards with regard to the Sewer Expansion Project.
- VI. Adjournment.

Posted this 13th of March, 1998 on the official bulletin board, filed with the Town Clerk, faxed to the Burlington Free Press.

Attest: _____


Ted Nelson Jr., Town Manager

**Minutes for
TOWN OF MILTON – SELECT BOARD
March 30, 1998**

Members Present: Diana Palm, Michael Morgan, Jeff Turner and Ken Nolan
Staff Present: Ted Nelson, Town Manager; Gail Henderson-King, Planning Director; and Ian Smith; Town Engineer
Others Present: See attached sign in sheet

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1. **Call to Order** – Diana Palm called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. and led the Select Board in the flag salute.
 2. **Public Forum-** No one was present to speak during public forum.
 3. **Orders**
MOTION made by Michael Morgan, second by Jeff Turner to sign the orders in the amount of \$3,973.03. Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes.
MOTION PASSED.
 4. **Appoint a representative for the televised Budget presentation/action**
Discussion took place regarding the representative. **MOTION** made by Michael Morgan, second by Jeff Turner appointing Diana Palm as the representative for the televised Budget presentation. Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

Meeting recessed until 6:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 6:30 p.m. for the Public Hearings.

5. **Public Hearings**
 - A) **Update the Comprehensive Plan**

Gail Henderson-King gave an overview of the Comprehensive Plan. Clifford Thorpe asked for a copy of the plan. Ms. King handed out copies to the audience. Ms. King stated the Comprehensive Plan needs to be revised every five years. Clifford Thorpe questioned if this plan incorporates any intersection improvements and if a transportation plans have been talked about. Ms. King stated the plan does not incorporate any intersection improvements. The Comprehensive Plan is a broad plan. Steve Delaney questioned what the next step would be. It was stated this is the second public hearing the Select Board can adopt the plan or not adopt the new plan. Hearing no further comments Diana Palm closed the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. **MOTION** made by Ken Nolan, second by Michael Morgan to adopt the Comprehensive Plan as presented this evening. Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes. **MOTION PASSED.**
 - B) **Zoning Regulation Amendments**

Gail Henderson-King gave an overview of the proposed amendments. Ms. King stated additional amendments include public monuments and statues as requested by the Select Board. Ms. King gave an overview of the amendments for public monuments and statues. Ms.

King further stated revised amendments include a clarification in the sign ordinance and gave an overview of this amendment. Steve Delaney questioned if these amendments would require utilities to comply with the thirty-five foot height restructure and if this would prevent communication towers. Ms. King stated it does include utilities and communication towers would need to comply with the height restriction. Discussion took place. Clifford Thorpe requested an explanation of Type A and Type B PRD. Ms. King stated the differences of the two. Clifford Thorpe questioned if the view sheds were taken from the Open Space Study. Ms. King stated this information is also in the Open Space Study. Ken Nolan stated this is a step in the right direction but it is a band-aid approach. Mr. Nolan stated he is not happy with the sign change and this ordinance needs a complete revision. Ms. King stated the Planning Commission is aware of this and will be working on further amendments. Hearing no further comments Diana Palm closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m. **MOTION** made by Ken Nolan, second by Michael Morgan to approve the Zoning Amendments as presented tonight. Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

C) Creation of Tax Increment Financing District

Ted Nelson gave an overview of the findings. There is a possibility of two TIF Districts. These Districts would be called the Northern District (Husky) and the Southern District (GBIC and across the Town Road on the Town line). Bob Hicks questioned if the Town could revote the TIF after ten years. Mr. Nelson stated it would need another public hearing and vote. Bob Lombard questioned if there was any reason why the Southern District was not extended further north. Mr. Nelson stated the Comprehensive Plan supports the proposed Districts as it is. The districts could be adjusted. Ken Nolan stated ACT 60 only allows the Town to receive \$300,000 per year. Discussion took place on the TIF Districts and ACT 60. Hearing no further comments Diana Palm closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m. **MOTION** made by Michael Morgan, second by Ken Nolan to approve the findings per Chapter 53 subchapter 5, Title 24 V.S.A Section 18 referencing Northern and Southern districts (the findings were read into the motion and are attached to the original set of minutes on file in the Town Clerk's Office). Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

6. Joint meeting with various commissions/boards with regard to the Sewer Expansion Project.

Clifford Thorpe gave an introduction. Ian Smith gave a presentation including: Where we are today, expansion project goals, project description, plant expansion, Route 7 pipeline, Railroad Street, estimated cost, key issues, and the schedule. Bob Lombard questioned if this is proposed for Husky's second building. Ian Smith stated the current system does need upgrades and this would help in attracting future

businesses. Discussion took place regarding permits. Rick Hamilton questioned if the State would allow future discharge to increase for the Lamoille River. Discussion took place regarding discharge and future expansion. Ken Nolan gave a presentation regarding the financing of the proposed expansion. The Sewer Committee is asking the boards/community organizations to back this proposal. Gwenn Brown questioned if the Town Tax would include every taxpayer. Mr. Nolan stated it would but it would not increase taxes. The Town's share of taxes collected from Husky would go into the Sewer Budget if this is passed by the voters. Discussion took place regarding taxes. Rick Hamilton stated the presentation was excellent and neighborhood hearings or meeting might help to spread the word.

Gregg Wilson, Town Attorney gave an update regarding the Pre-hearing Conference scheduled for Friday, April 3, 1998. This pre-hearing conference is regarding the Open Space Study. Discussion took place regarding the pre-hearing and the Open Space Study.

Scoping Studies:

Ian Smith gave an overview of the scoping study for the Route 7 and Lake Road Intersection. Discussion took place regarding the alternatives proposed by the MPO. Gail Henderson-King stated further studies should be done regarding this intersection.

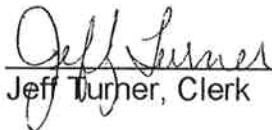
Gail Henderson-King gave an overview of proposed intersection changes for the Middle Road, Railroad Street and Route 7 Intersection. Discussion took place regarding possible alternatives.

7. **Adjournment**

MOTION made by Jeff Turner, second by Ken Nolan to adjourn the meeting. Discussion: none. Vote: All vote yes. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved on:



Jeff Turner, Clerk