

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: February 14, 2017
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Judith Whiteside, Chairman
Peter W. Teitelbaum, Clerk
Patrick G. Tropeano
Alan H. Slavin, Clerk
Anthony R. Scarsciotti, Jr.

Also present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator
Attorney Richard Bowen, Town Counsel

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Moving Wall Fundraiser will be held on February 19, 2017 from 5pm-8pm at the Pier View Restaurant in Onset.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

6. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

7. LICENSES AND PERMITS

a. Hearing: Approximately 7:15 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 130, Section 60 of the MGL on the application of Robert J. Tourigny, 15 Granston Way, Buzzards Bay for the renewal of Shellfish Grant #5.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to open the hearing. Selectman Tropeano seconded. Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Scarsciotti-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

Present before the board: Robert Tourigny

Mr. Tourigny was before the board seeking an early renewal of his shellfish grant to allow him to apply for grants. The Board had a letter of support from the Harbormaster on this request. Chairman Whiteside asked if anyone was there to speak in favor or against the applicant. Some discussion ensued about the Workers Compensation policy.

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MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to close the hearing. Selectman Tropeano seconded. Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Scarsciotti-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application from Robert Tourigny to extend Grant number 5, contingent on the applicant supplying a certificate reflecting coverage for the individual grant holder. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. TOWN BUSINESS

a. Discussion of article submitted for Solar PILOTS by Director of Assessment. Present before the board: Jacqui Nichols, Director of Assessing Ms. Nichols was before the board explaining an article that she would like to place on the Special Town Meeting warrant.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to place the article on the Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Continued discussion and possible vote on articles to be placed on spring annual 2017 Town Meeting Warrant.

c. Vote to close spring annual Town Meeting Warrant.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to close the Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

d. Discussion and possible vote on Policy #11-02 – Access to Town Counsel and Policy #13-04 – Stabilization Fund Policy.

The Town Administrator will work with Chairman Whiteside on Policy 13-04 and will bring this before the board at a later date to reaffirm.

The Access to Town Counsel policy isn't being adhered to and the board suggested that the Town Administrator must let Department Heads know that they need to get his permission before seeing Town Counsel and that boards, committee and commission members must seek approval from the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen before setting up an appointment to speak with Mr. Bowen.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to omit the part of the policy that reads "The Board of Selectmen shall approve itemized bills for Town Counsel services before making payment."

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

e. Request to place signs on Town property.

f. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

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Selectman Teitelbaum asked that the board authorize him to send a letter of support for a group home to be located on Great Neck Road. The board would like to have more information before they could vote in favor of sending a letter.

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan stated that the board did accept to work on the energy aggregation plan with Good Energy and the Department of Public Utilities. The Department has scheduled a public hearing on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in regards to the petitions for approval of municipal aggregation plans, of which Wareham is one. The hearing will be held at the department's offices located at 1 South Station, Boston on the 5th floor in hearing room B.

Mr. Sullivan spoke about the modernization act.

Mr. Sullivan met with the Audit Committee and he expects the Chairman will be asking to come before the board.

10. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

Selectman Slavin attended the JTPG Capital Planning Meeting, the Bike Path is on the list for 2022.

The Planning Board postponed the Bay Pointe hearing.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to adjourn. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)

13. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted

Janet Wilson

Department Assistant

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Board of Selectmen on:

Attest: *Peter W. Teitelbaum*

Peter W. Teitelbaum, Clerk

Date Signed: 10.10.17

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 10.11.17