

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: June 13, 2017
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

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

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Whiteside announced that Selectman Slavin has been awarded Commissioner of the Year by SRPEDD.

The 4th Annual Blessing of the fleet will be held on Saturday, July 1st at 10am.

The Moving Wall is scheduled to be in Wareham from August 17th – 21st.

Friends of the Wareham Veterans Council will be holding a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on June 17th from 8am-noon.

Eastern Bank will be hosting a piano concert on July 15th starting at noon.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Present before the board: Dave Walton

Mr. Walton was before the board with a complaint about people nailing yard sale signs to trees. He also would like them to take the signs down after the yard sale has ended.

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Present before the board: Sandy Slavin

Ms. Slavin would like people to stop stealing plants for the Cemetery as well as in Pezzoli Square.

6. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

a. Board of Health

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Thomas L. Gleason, M.D., as an associate member to the Board of Health to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2018. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Board of Road Commissioners

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint William Heaney as a member to the Board of Road Commissioners to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2019. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Howard A. Smith as a member to the Board of Road Commissioners to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2019. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

c. Cemetery Commissioner

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Deborah Jean Rose as a member to the Cemetery Commissioners to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

d. Community Preservation Committee

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Sherbie Worthen as a member to the Community Preservation Committee to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Whiteside moved to appoint Sandra Slavin as a member to the Community Preservation Committee to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)

e. Council on Aging Board of Directors

Present before the board: Melissa Plourde

Ms. Plourde was seeking appointment to the Council on Aging.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Melissa Plourde as a member to the Council on Aging Board of Directors to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2021. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

f. Historical Commission

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MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Pam Foley as a member to the Historical Commission to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Barbara A. Smith as a member to the Historical Commission to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

g. Veterans Council

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Joseph A. Sarnelli as a member to the Veteran's Council to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. LICENSES AND PERMTIS

- a. Application for a one-day Liquor License by Buzzards Play Productions for a Comedy Show on Saturday, June 17, 2017.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to approve the one day liquor license by Buzzards Play Productions for a Comedy Show on Saturday, June 17, 2017 subject to clearance from Inspectional Servcies. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-1 (Selectman Tropeano abstained)

8. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Accept donation of a Chair from Eastern Bank.

Present before the board: Bob Powilatis & Rose Berry

Mr. Powilatis wanted to thank Ms.Berry from Eastern Bank on their generous donation of a chair to be placed at Town Hall.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to accept the donation of the chair. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Discussion with Don't Trash Wareham re: Lottery Ticket Bill and vote to authorize the Chairman to send letter of support.

Present before the board: Nora Bicki

Ms. Bicki was before the board seeking support on House Bill 174 which would implement a "second chance lottery program".

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved support House Bill 174. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

Ms. Bicki went to the State House today on House Bill 3528 which would place a 5c deposit on nips. She said that nobody expressed and opposition of this bill.

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- c. Discussion re: Dakota Partners 40B permit and vote to authorize the Chairman to send commentary letter to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development.

(Note: Selectman Tropeano left the meeting at this time)

Present before the board: Lucille Dodson

Ms. Dodson was in opposition of the development planned. She said this would increase congestion, impact the sewer treatment plant, Onset fire district as well as a tax burden to the town with the building of schools.

Present before the board: Debra Ito

Ms. Ito wanted to add her concern about the infrastructure since this area was built as a summer community area. She was concerned about the delivery of water and electricity.

Present before the board: Peter Acciavatti

Mr. Acciavatti stated that this project is much too big for this location and that traffic would be a nightmare.

Present before the board: Michelle Heard

Ms. Heard stating that a realtor and every day they getting phone calls from people looking for section 8 housing.

Present before the board: Monica Montgomery

Ms. Montgomery feels that this is in retaliation from a disgruntled business owner.

Present before the board: Archie Fox

Mr. Fox stated that his wife was a manger for a low income housing in another state and said that out of the 60% of low income tenants you will find only about 20% are responsible.

Present before the board: Richard Moore

Mr. Moore said that he is an abutter to the land and his family will be greatly impacted. He said its bad enough they have to deal with homeless in that area.

Present before the board: Gordon Ford

Mr. Ford feels that the Town is meeting our quota for 40B and we should slow this project down and let the surrounding towns catch up.

Present before the board: Steve Walker

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He feels that as a member of Indian Heights Association this isn't needed. He said that they had a cleanup day recently and had a lot of trash and nips on Red Brook Road and feels this would be bring more trash in the neighborhood.

Present before the board: Lisa Irish

Ms. Irish asked if it was the number of units, people or beds that count as 40B.

Present before the board: William Atwood

Mr. Atwood said that from what he has seen with 40B housing is a lot of drug activity. He said that he owns the cranberry bogs located behind Benny's and stated that he picks up trash bags filled with needles.

After the residents spoke Chairman Teitelbaum asked the board the following:

Are we concerned about the size & history with large projects of this nature=yes

Are we concerned that the buildout of 174 units within 2-3 years is too much too fast=yes

Are we concerned despite resident preferences there is no guarantee that the units will be filled with non-residents=yes. Selectman Slavin mentioned that they can offer it however if town residents don't qualify due to their income being over they are not going to be given preference.

Are we concerned that the workforce component isn't the majority of the units=yes.

Are we concerned about the significant impact of several hundred new residents upon our schools, police, emergency services and sewer department = yes.

Are we concerned that the location is too near a congested intersection and existing neighborhoods=yes.

Are we concerned that we already have housing available in Wareham that is affordable and don't need that much more=yes.

Are we concerned that the abutters have legitimate concerns about the impacts of this property against their existing properties=yes.

MOTION: Selectman Whiteside moved to authorize Chairman Teitelbaum to send a letter to the bodies that he had named previously with all of the points that we have said yes to. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said the energy aggregation is still going on, they have requested information.

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Mr. Sullivan stated that they are looking into the big belly trash compactors for the business districts.

Mr. Sullivan has submitted two applications for CPC funding, first for \$120,000 for repair of the rubber roof at the Town Hall Auditorium and the second on behalf of the Dog Park Committee for \$20,000.

10. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

Last night the Planning Board met, the Bay Pointe project will be discussed in 2 weeks.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes: Executive Session 5/31/17

MOTION: Selectman Whiteside moved to approve and hold the executive session minutes of May 31, 2017. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to adjourn. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (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: _____

Alan H. Slavin, Clerk

Date Signed: 6-10-18

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 6-17-18