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## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Date of Meeting: October 2, 2018  
Date of Transcription: October 3, 2018  
Transcribed by: Janet Wilson

### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Selectmen Present: Alan H. Slavin, Chairman  
Patrick G. Tropeano, Clerk  
Peter W. Teitelbaum  
Anthony Scarsciotti arrived at 7:20 p.m.  
Mary Bruce

Also Present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

### **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Redevelopment Authority will hold a public work shop at the High School Auditorium on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.m. They will be discussing the proposed change in the overlay district on Elm Street.

The Ninety Nine Restaurant will be holding a Fundraiser to benefit the Wareham Fireman's Association between 5pm-8pm, Thursday October 11<sup>th</sup>. The Restaurant will donate 15% of your guest check to the organization.

Grumpy's 5K run will be held on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at A.D. Makepeace on Tihonet Road starting at 9 a.m.

The last day to register to vote for on a Town election is this evening until 8pm. The last day to register to vote for a State election will be on October 17<sup>th</sup> and the Town Clerk's office will remain open until 8pm that evening.

The Cranberry Festival will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the A.D. Makepeace on Tihonet Road.

The School Building Committee will hold a two Community Forums the first on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the Wareham Free Library and the other on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Wareham Middle School Auditorium.

**5. BOARDS COMMENTS**

Selectman Teitelbaum stated that people need to understand that the state will not provide any money to renovate the schools. The cost for a new school is approximately \$90 million dollars in which the state will reimburse \$50 million leaving the town with a debt of \$40 million. The school will be paid for in 20 years and at Town Meeting residents will be voting to authorize the expenditure not the school that will take place at the polls. Selectman Tropeano stated that the school will cost \$91 million and after the state reimbursement the added cost to homeowner's tax bill would be .80c per \$1000.

Selectman Tropeano also expressed his dissatisfaction with the 40b housing project going up on Cranberry Highway. He went on to say that the Sewer department made a huge mistake allowing this. He also wanted to know who would be paying the \$12k per student and as far as he is concerned this is the state shifting the cost from them to us.

**6. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

none

**7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**

**8. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

- a. Application for a name change on the Class II application from Buzzards Way Garage, Inc., 3067 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA.

Present before the board: Henry DeJesus

Mr. DeJesus was before the board for a name change on his license. The board expressed some concerns they have about his current license such as it appears that he has more than 9 cars for sale on the lot that is on his license. Selectman Tropeano said that he drove by earlier today with the plans he had on file and it appears that he is not following the plan submitted. He also mentioned that he rented a bay and Selectman Tropeano said that was a problem because it's not allowed under his license. The board did let Mr. DeJesus know that they will need to contact Town Counsel about this and get back to him and will schedule this on the October 16<sup>th</sup> agenda.

- b. Application for a Change of Hours for Al & El Corp., d/b/a Ella's Woodburning Oven Restaurant, 3136 Cranberry Highway E. Wareham, MA.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the Change of Hours for Al & El Corp., d/b/a Ella's Woodburning Oven Restaurant, 3136 Cranberry Highway E. Wareham, MA. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

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- c. Application for two (2) one day liquor license from Westport Rivers Vineyard & Winery, 417 Hixbridge Road, Westport, MA.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the application for two (2) one day liquor license from Westport Rivers Vineyard & Winery, 417 Hixbridge Road, Westport, MA. Selectman Bruce seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

**9. TOWN BUSINESS**

- a. Request from Cranberry Educational Foundation, Inc., to place signs on Town property for their annual Grumpy's 5k race.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the request from Cranberry Educational Foundation, Inc., to place signs on Town property for their annual Grumpy's 5k race. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

- b. Vote to accept donation from BOPE-Wareham-New Bedford Lodge 73 for Lukey Playground.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to accept the donation from BOPE-Wareham-New Bedford Lodge 73 for Lukey Playground. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)**

- c. Vote on Conservation Restriction on Stoney Run 600 Main State Preserve.  
Present before the board: Mr. Browning & Ms. McHale

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the Wareham Land Trust for 600 Main Street. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)**

- d. Discussion and vote whether to recommend or not on fall town meeting warrant articles.
- e. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the request to place signs on Town Property for their Trunk of Treat event. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

**10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Sullivan asked for the board to allow the Chairman to sign a letter prepared to allow the trimming of a limited number of trees to allow visibility of the Robertson's digital billboard. This request has been approved by MASS DOT. *(attached)*.

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**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved for approval of the Chairman to sign the letter. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

Mr. Sullivan announced the approval of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final marijuana retailer, Xiphias Wellness to be located at 3119 Cranberry Highway.

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved final approval for this facility. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

**11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS**

Chairman Slavin recently attended the Stone Path Malt grand opening last week.

**12. CONSENT AGENDA**

a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.

b. Approval of meeting minutes: May 29, 2018

**MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the meeting minutes of May 29, 2018. Selectman Bruce seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to adjourn. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**14. 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: 

***Patrick G. Tropeano, Clerk***

Date Signed: 10-9-18

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 10-10-18



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54 Marion Road  
Wareham, MA 02571

*Attachment to 10/8/18  
meeting minutes*

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Peter W. Teitelbaum, Esq.  
Anthony R. Scarsciotti, Jr.  
Mary Bruce

October 4, 2018

Mr. Joseph Lane  
Massachusetts D.O.T District 5  
1000 County Street  
Taunton, MA 02780

Re: Robertson's Digital Billboard  
Map 110, Lot 1069-2680  
Cranberry Hwy  
Wareham, MA 02571

Dear Mr. Lane:

The Board of Selectman for the Town of Wareham are in support of having the trees trimmed along the median strip of Route 25 and on Lot 1069-2680 to maintain a clear site line to the above referenced digital billboard. This Billboard is to be erected on Lot 1069-2680 on Town of Wareham Assessor's Map 110 and is designed and intended to be viewed from both directions of Route 25. As a result, a limited number of trees in the median strip adjacent to the Lot and on the Lot need to be crowned to establish reasonable continued visibility from both directions. It is our understanding that all tree work is to be performed by a certified arborist and in accordance with the standards of the Commonwealth of MA Permit's Division.

The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0 to favorably support this request; they also voted 5-0-0 to have Alan Slavin, the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, sign this letter of support.

Sincerely,

Alan Slavin, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen

Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator