

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

Date of Meeting: April 14, 2020  
Date of Transcription: April 27, 2020  
Transcribed by: Cassandra Slaney

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

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Selectmen Present: Patrick G. Tropeano, Chairman  
Mary Bruce, Clerk  
Alan H. Slavin  
James M. Munise  
Peter W. Teitelbaum

Also Present: Richard Bowen, Town Counsel  
Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

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

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Residents are doing a fairly reasonable job social distancing and should continue to be diligent. Cellphones and keys should be kept clean because those are the two items most people forget about keeping disinfected.

The Governor said that approximately the week of April 20<sup>th</sup> is expected to hit the highest number of Coronavirus cases. Residents are urged to be safe and careful.

### **5. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

*None.*

### **6. BOARDS COMMENTS**

*None.*

### **7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**

*None.*

### **8. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

*None.*

### **9. TOWN BUSINESS**

a. COVID-19.

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-4/14/2020 (CONT'D)

Mr. Sullivan stated that he and the Emergency Response Team continue to meet remotely on a daily basis. He also wanted to thank the Cardi Corporation for manufacturing 400 masks. He is encouraging people to continue staying home and staying safe.

Mr. Sullivan also mentioned that there have been a lot of emails regarding the brush pile. He stated that he understands this is a tough time for everybody but the Municipal Maintenance Department has been split into two shifts and sending someone to the brush pile is not a priority at this time.

b. Discussion and possible vote to move Town Election.

Before the Board: Michele Bissonnette, Town Clerk, Claire Smith, Town Moderator. Ms. Bissonnette explained that by moving the Town Election date to June 23, this will give her time to send out early voting ballots to those who request them as well as absentee ballots. In addition, this would also allow her to have less poll workers to be potentially exposed to the coronavirus.

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to postpone the Town Election date to June 23, 2020. Selectman Slavin seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	abstained
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

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

c. Surplus property – Wareham Redevelopment Authority.

The Wareham Redevelopment Authority is seeking approval to declare items as surplus property for the purpose of raising funds for improvements to the Tremont Nail factory. The property consists of approximately eighty-four jewelry boxes with gold plated machine nails crafted into cuff links along with tie tack sets. Selectman Munise stated he would like to see a complete inventory of items kept at the Tremont Nail factory and the approximate value.

**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved to declare items from Wareham Redevelopment Authority as municipal surplus property for fundraising purposes. Selectman Bruce seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	yes
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

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

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-4/14/2020 (CONT'D)

d. Vote on articles for 2020 Special Town Meeting.  
*Votes to take place at a later date.*

e. Vote on articles for 2020 Annual Spring Town Meeting.  
*Votes to take place at a later date.*

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

**11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**12. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS**

Selectman Slavin stated that the Budget Committee met and discussed what the forecast is for the upcoming budget for 2020 and fiscal year 2021.

Selectman Slavin also stated there is a new testing sight in Foxboro for first responders and there will be one at Otis Air force base as well.

The Governor will be making a decision on May 4<sup>th</sup> about schools staying closed for the rest of the school year.

Selectman Munise attended the Regional Refuse meeting and the final document of the agreement has been amended. There will be a virtual meeting with Wesson Sampson to discuss refuse issues.

**13. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes:

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Selectman Teitelbaum moved to adjourn. Selectman Slavin seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	yes
	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

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

**15. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-4/14/2020 (CONT'D)

Respectfully submitted  
***Cassandra Slaney***  
Department Assistant

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

Attest:   
***Mary Bruce, Clerk/Judith Whiteside*** (out of necessity)

Date Signed: 6-30-20

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 7-1-20