

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: August 13, 2019
Date of Transcription: August 14, 2019
Transcribed by: Janet Wilson

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Richard Bowen, Town Counsel
Absent from meeting: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Present before the board: Sandy Slavin

Ms. Slavin was before the board with questions regarding the dates to submit articles for Town meeting. She also questioned why the water at Briarwood beach was so dirty and why the Board of Health closed the beach.

6. BOARDS COMMENTS

Selectman Slavin stated that most of the meetings he attends is on vacation for the summer and didn't have much to report.

Chairman Tropeano spoke about the carry in, carry out policy and stated that he hasn't seen much trash around Onset but has seen a lot of empty nip bottles. Selectman Munise feels that the town should bring back the barrels; Mr. Sullivan stated that in the past they had problems with skunks in Onset and people actually getting into fist fights because they were moving the barrels closer to their home. Mr. Sullivan stated that the carry in and carry out policy seems to be working very well at Little Harbor and Swifts Beach.

7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

- a. Interview applicant for the Charter Review Committee.

Present before the board: Peter Dunlop

Mr. Dunlop stated that he was the past Chairman of the COA and is presently serving as a Sewer Commissioner. He went on to say that he wasn't looking to make changes but he was open to suggestions.

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Ms. Slavin would like to serve on the Charter Review Committee, she said that Wareham is her home she grew up here, graduated from High School here and has an inside in to the town which she feels is unique, she said that it would require a full review of the Charter and she is willing to give the time to do that.

- b. Wareham Cultural Council

- i. Jamie Wiksten

Present before the board: Jamie Wiksten

Ms. Wiksten stated that she is a promoter of the arts and is the Drama director at the Wareham Middle School and she received a grant this year to promote the arts with the Drama club. She said that she is interested in giving back to her community.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Jamie Wiksten as a member to the Wareham Cultural Council to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2021. Selectman Munise seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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c. CMW Regional Refuse Disposal District

i. Joseph Benedict

Present before the board: Mr. Benedict

Mr. Benedict stated that he has retired to the Town in 2015 and has been to several meetings and he has lots of questions that need answering and also he said that he feels things need to be fixed.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Joseph Benedict as a representative to the Carver, Marion, Wareham Regional Refuse Disposal District. Selectman Munise seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. LICENSES AND PERMITS

a. Request from Buzzards Bay Coalition for the use of town roads to hold their annual Buzzards Bay Watershed ride on Sunday, October 6, 2019.

Present before the board: Deb Hood

Ms. Hood wanted to come before the board seeking approval for the race and she wanted to make sure no changes would be made since it's the same weekend that a truck festival was planned on Main Street and was concerned about the traffic with Verilife.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the request from Buzzards Bay Coalition for the use of town roads to hold their annual Buzzards Bay Watershed ride on Sunday, October 6, 2019. Selectman Slavin seconded,

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Application from New England Authentic Eats, LLC, d/b/a Paper Gino's 2899 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA for a Common Victuallers License.

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VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

c. Application from ACAP, Inc., d/b/a Wines & More, Wareham, 2421 Cranberry Highway, Wareham for a Change of Manager.

This item will be placed on the next agenda due to the Manager unable to attend the meeting.

d. Second Hand Dealers License

i. Gallery Consignment Shoppe

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the second hand dealer's license for the Gallery Consignment Shoppe, 247 Main Street, Wareham. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-8-13-19 (CONT'D)

- e. Application from Paul Rose, Dudley L. Brown, VFW #2846 for three (3) one day liquor licenses dated August 17th from noon – 7pm, August 24th from 11am-7pm and August 31st from 11am-6pm at the VFW Pavilion.

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VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

9. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Present Boston Post Cane to Mary V. Rose.

Present before the board: Mary Rose & Family

The Board of Selectmen presented Ms. Rose with the Boston Post Cane and a Certificate congratulating her on being the oldest resident.

- b. Present certificate to Joan Fontes.

The board read into the record the certificate for Joan's 80th birthday and approved the certificate.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the certificate. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. Accept donations to the Wareham Free Library from the following:

Present before the board: George Ripley, Library Director

Mr. Ripley was before the board to answer any questions the board may have regarding the number of donations. He also stated that in November the Library was re-certified and they are on track to be fully certified this year with no need for any waivers.

- i. Friends of the Wareham Free Library in the account of \$500 in memory of Richard Wheeler for the purchase of books relating to environmental science, sustainability and nature for the main library and Spinney Memorial Branch Library.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to accept the donation from the Friends of the Wareham Free Library in the account of \$500 in memory of Richard Wheeler for the purchase of books relating to environmental science, sustainability and nature for the main library and Spinney Memorial Branch Library. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- ii. Friends of the Wareham Free Library in the amount of \$1200 for the purchase of museum passes.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to accept the donation from the Friends of the Wareham Free Library in the amount of \$1200 for the purchase of museum passes. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-8-13-19 (CONT'D)

- iii. The Wareham Library Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of books and materials.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to accept the donation from the Wareham Library Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of books and materials. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- iv. Friends of the Wareham Free Library, Inc. in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of books and materials.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to accept the donation from the Friends of the Wareham Free Library, Inc. in the amount of \$5000 for the purchase of books and materials. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- v. Friends of the Wareham Free Library, Inc. in the amount of \$400 in memory of George Shaw to purchase historical books.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to accept the donation from the Friends of the Wareham Free Library, Inc. in the amount of \$400 in memory of George Shaw to purchase historical books. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

d. Discussion regarding becoming sister Towns with Wareham England.
Present before the board: Claire Smith, Town Moderator
Ms. Smith stated that recently two visitors from Wareham England came to Town and they wanted us to become a sister Town. The board agreed to start the process and Claire and her husband are planning on visiting England within the next year and will appear before their Town Counsel to make this happen.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to become a sister town with Wareham England. Selectman Munise seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve payment to the Law Office of Richard P. Bowen for services through August 20th in the amount of \$15,650.01. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan said that he received a call from the Chief People Officer for Wendy's regarding the recent email the District Manager sent to a resident. He said that they did agree that this is clearly an issue and was very apologetic.

Mr. Sullivan wanted to thank the Wareham PD, EMS & Onset Fire for all their work during the Cape Verdean Festival. Selectman Slavin added that the traffic was handled well.

11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

Selectman Munise stated that he walked around Hynes & Lopes fields the day after the Cape Verdean Festival and he said that it was almost spotless.

Selectman Munise attended the planning board meeting last night and they had a conversation about how some of the committees felt a disconnect with other boards and perhaps they could come together and meet to discuss what was going on. They suggested that perhaps meeting every 3 months or so to have a workshop which is open to the public. Attorney Bowen mentioned that you have to be careful and not speak about certain projects but it can be done.

Selectman Munise said that there will be a CMW meeting next Wednesday the 21st at 5pm in room 27 at the Wareham Town hall.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes: July 30, 2019.

These minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTE: 4-0-0 (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:


Mary Bruce, Clerk

Date Signed:

9.17.19

Date sent to the Town Clerk:

9.18.19

WAREHOUS TOWN CLERK
2019 SEP 10 PM 1:00