## Town of Wareham BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS Monday, May 17, 2021

## **MINUTES**

**Location:** The Wareham Board of Road Commissioners meeting was held remotely on May 17, 2021 via Zoom tele-conferencing.

**Members Present:** Chair Kenneth Buckland, Police Chief Walter Correia, Member Marie Greig, Recording Secretary John McGonnell, Municipal Maintenance Director David Menard and Member Howard Smith. Also participating were members of the public.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Buckland.

Minutes: The following Minutes of the Board of Road Commissioners meetings were reviewed:

April 12, 2021 - Motion to accept by Smith, seconded by McGonnell. Voted to accept.

April 30, 2020 - Motion to accept by Menard, seconded by McGonnell. Voted to accept.

## Old Business:

- A. Parking Lot Improvements at Hynes Field: Chair Buckland indicated that the Town has applied for a state grant of \$100,000 under the Shared Streets Program for improvements to Hynes Field. Director Menard and the Municipal Maintenance Department have formulated plans for improvements at the site, including drainage improvements, a rain garden, new signage and a GATRA shuttle bus stop. (See attached diagram.) The improvements will provide approximately 97 parking spaces, including a number of handicapped parking spaces. Following discussion, a motion was made by McGonnell to indicate the Board's vote of confidence to support the grant application. Seconded by Smith. Vote: 6-0-0.
- B. Parking on East Boulevard: John Salerno, owner of the Glen Cove Hotel, inquired as to whether the Board has reviewed the area and observed the posted "no parking" signage and pavement markings at 5 East Boulevard. He also inquired about the dumpster being on Town property in a place that could be an additional parking spot. Chief Correla indicated that he had checked into any complaints on record, and he found nothing in the recent records of the Police Department. Director Menard indicated that he had reviewed the signage on the building and parking spaces painted on the street on East Boulevard. He stated that the signage and street markings were not installed by Municipal Maintenance, and they should be removed. Menard further related that engineering plans of the area (see attachments) are available for Board members to view after Smith and McGonnell expressed interest in viewing the engineering plans. Member Greig explained that an earlier parking study of the area recommended no parking in the area with residents' parking only further up East Boulevard, with no parking on the right side of the roadway to the Town boat ramp. Following discussion, Chair Buckland felt that it would be appropriate to have the property owner at the next Board of Road Commissioners meeting to address the signage and other issues. The matter was tabled to the June 2021 meeting, and the matter will again appear on the Agenda.
- C. Main Street Parking Across from Besse Park: Chair Buckland related that these parking matters have been discussed at previous meetings, but there have now been additional complaints made recently to the Police Department. Chief Correia advised that recent complaints have been made directly to him, and he had the duty supervisor and route car address the problems as police matters. He has personally viewed the area and feels that part of the issue is the lack of "no parking" signage. It is possible some "no parking" signs have been removed from the area, and he feels additional "no parking" signs are needed in the area. Director Menard



