

## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD**

Date of Meeting: May 16, 2023  
Date of Transcription: June 28, 2023  
Transcribed by: Samantha Monast

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

*Remote meeting*

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Selectmen Present: Patricia A. Wurts, Clerk  
Alan H. Slavin  
Jared S. Chadwick  
Ronald S. Besse

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

Not Present: Judith Whiteside, Chair

**MOTION:** Mr. Chadwick made a motion to move Mr. Slavin up to Chairperson for this meeting only. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-abstained.

**VOTE: 3-0-1 (Mr. Slavin abstained)**

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

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Chadwick announced that EMS week is next week- don't forget to thank those workers.

Mr. Besse announced that there have been many loose dogs with no identification of their owners present, which is why registering your dogs and/or putting tags on them is very important.

Mr. Slavin announced that the Wareham Garden Club plant and yard sale is Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm on Main Street.

### **5. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**

- a. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Steven Rivard as a Certified Weigh Master-term to expire December 31, 2023. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

### **6. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

- a. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to open the discussion regarding the application from Onset Beach Patio and Grille for the Oyster Festival. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Frank Evangelista explained that at this event there will be; all you can eat oysters, live entertainment during the day, and a DJ at night. Mr. Besse questioned how Mr. Evangelista will control the crowd and not go over the maximum capacity of 99 people based on the fire code. Mr. Evangelista explained that there were only 51 tickets sold and it is a private event so those who have tickets will have to show proof before getting in to the patio and they will be given a wrist band. Mr. Slavin finished off the discussion by requiring Mr. Evangelista to make sure the Board has the most up-to-date insurance binder prior to the event.

**MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to approve the application from Onset Beach Patio and Grille, C/O Frank Evangelista, 182 Onset Avenue, for live entertainment for the Oyster Festival to take place on May 28, 2023 from 11am-11pm on the conditions

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that all approvals have been made and the current insurance policy is active. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

### **7. TOWN BUSINESS**

- a. Maria Jones and Phillip Hu, SRPEDD Comprehensive Planning Representatives, thoroughly explained a presentation on Priority Development Districts to adopt in Regional Plan.
- b. GHD presentation on behalf of the Sewer Commissioners will be presented at a future meeting.
- c. Mr. Chadwick read the proclamation-Pride Month.
- d. The discussion regarding articles for the June 12, Special Town Meeting is postponed.
- e. This vote is postponed.
- f. This discussion regarding the Special Town Meeting for June 12, 2023 is postponed.
- g. **MOTION:** Mr. Wurts made a motion to authorize Damien's Pantry to use the Town Seal to represent the Town's support their efforts within the Town. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- h. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to approve the opt-out and reduction fees applications for Curbside Billing FY23 in the amount of \$10,095.00. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- i. Kenneth Buckland, Town Planner, explained these three State One Stop for Growth grant applications:
  - i. The reason for this application is because Mass DOT has offered to install a pedestrian crosswalk over the railroad tracks at Merchants Way if the Town participates in a significant way.
  - ii. Mr. Buckland explained the need for rezoning along the 1.6 miles of construction on Cranberry Highway, to ensure pedestrian and motor vehicle safety
  - iii. The Kendrick Road Industrial Park Entrance Improvements application is because this busy intersection needs safety improvements as soon as possible.**MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion that the Board vote to provide letters of support for State one Stop Growth grant applications for: Conceptual design of fishing pier, kayak launch, and coastal pathway off Merchant's Way; Place making and zoning for mixed use on the Cranberry Hwy Corridor in East Wareham; and the Kendrick Road Industrial Park Entrance Improvements. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

### **8. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

None

### **9. LIAISON / INITIATIVE REPORTS / BOARD'S COMMENTS**

None

### **10. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

### **11. REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

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**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mr. Chadwick moved to adjourn. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-no, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse -yes.

**VOTE: 3-1-0 (Slavin)**

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

Respectfully submitted  
***Samantha Monast***  
Department Assistant

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

Attest:  Date Signed: 7/11/23  
***Patricia A. Wurts, Clerk***

**DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND/OR USED IN MEETING.**

1. Application from Onset Beach Patio and Grille
2. Application from Steven Rivard
3. SRPEDD Presentation re: Priority Development Districts in the Regional Plan
4. Proclamation-Pride Month
5. Application for Curbside Billing FY23
6. Growth Grant Applications

Date sent to Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_