

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD

Date of Meeting: June 6, 2023
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

Remote meeting due to COVID 19

2. ROLL CALL

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

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

All members present thanked Mr. Bob White for his years of service and dedication to not only WCTV but Wareham as a whole. Mr. Slavin announced the Veterans Council is still looking for members and the Community Preservation Committee grant deadline is the second Tuesday, July 10th for the Fall Town Meeting articles. Mr. Besse reminds the Town that it is getting into the busy summer season and more patience and extra attention is needed. Mr. Chadwick explained that on June 3rd the Town of Wareham and Onset put on a spectacular show for Pride Month and he thanked all of those who were involved.

5. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

a. Board of Health- Term to expire June 30, 2026

i. Amy Wiegandt

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Amy Wiegandt to the Board of Health, term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Conservation Commission- Term to expire June 30, 2026

i. Autumn Woods

ii. Carol Malonson

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Autumn Woods and Carol Malonson to the Conservation Commission, term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

c. Community Events Committee- Term to expire June 30, 2026.

i. Jean Connaughton

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Jean Connaughton to the Community Events Committee, term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

d. Community Preservation Committee-

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- i. Jean Connaughton- Wareham Housing Authority representative- Term to expire June 30, 2024
- ii. Sandra Slavin- Conservation Commission Representative- Term to expire June 30, 2024
- iii. Sherbie Worthen- Citizen at large- Term to expire June 30, 2026
MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Jean Connaughton to the Wareham Housing Authority representative term to expire June 30, 2024, Sandra Slavin to the Conservation Commission representative term to expire June 30, 2024 and Sherbie Worthen, citizen at large term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.
VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)
- e. Council on Aging- Term to expire June 30, 2026
 - i. Melissa Kauranen
Postponed to a later date
- f. Minot Forest Committee- Term to expire June 30, 2028
 - i. Sandra Slavin
MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Sandra Slavin to the Minot Forest Committee, term to expire June 30, 2028. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.
VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)
- g. Wareham Affordable Housing Trust- Term to expire June 30, 2026
 - i. Carl Schulz
MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Carl Schulz to the Wareham Affordable Housing Trust, term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.
VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)
- h. Wareham Redevelopment Authority- Term to expire May, 2024.
 - i. Judith Whiteside- Select Board rep
 - ii. Ronald Besse- Select Board rep
MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Ms. Whiteside and Mr. Besse to the Wareham Redevelopment Authority, terms to expire May, 2024. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-no, Ms. Whiteside-no.
VOTE: 3-0-2 (Mr. Besse and Ms. Whiteside abstained)
- i. Fortune Teller- Term to expire December 31, 2023
 - i. Kristina Lisa Burbank
MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint Kristina Lisa Burbank as the Fortune Teller, term to expire December 30, 2023. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.
VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)
- j. Constables- Term to expire June 30, 2026
 - i. Karen Blair
 - ii. Richard Coletti
 - iii. Steven Coughlin
 - iv. Ian Daley
 - v. Cynthia Follis
 - vi. Luiz Gonzaga
 - vii. George Morse
 - viii. Robert Short
 - ix. Joel Thomas

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MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to appoint; Karen Blair, Richard Coletti, Ian Daley, Cynthia Follis, Luiz Gonzaga, George Morse, Robert Short, and Joel Thomas as Constables, term to expire June 30, 2026. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

6. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to approve the application from Onset Bay Association C/O Kat Jones, 186 Onset Ave, Wareham for the use of Town property for Christmas in the Village to take place on Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 12pm-3pm with a rain date of Sunday, December 10, 2023. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion to refer the application to recommend street acceptance of Candlepaper Lane back to Planning Board prior to taking action on it. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**
- b. Postponed to a later date
- c. Postponed to a later date
- d. Ms. Wurts read the Process for Calling a Town Meeting
MOTION: Mr. Slavin made a motion to accept the Process as read. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**
- e. No other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

8. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan shared before and after pictures of 16 Wareham Ave which went from looking like a junk yard to a clean open lot surrounded by boulders. He thanked every person and department who was involved in this long multiple year process and confirms they are not done yet.

9. LIAISON/INITIATIVE REPORTS/BOARD'S COMMENTS

10. CONSENT AGENDA

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

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to enter an executive session for M.G.L 30A § 21 (3) to discuss litigation of Steve Defreitas vs. Town of Wareham. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Chadwick-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

12. ADJOURNMENT

13. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

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Respectfully submitted,

Samantha Monast

Department Assistant

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

Attest:


Patricia A. Wurts, Clerk

Date Signed: 7/11/23

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND/OR USED IN MEETING.

1. Application from Onset Bay Association for use of Town property
2. Process for Calling a Town Meeting
3. Application from Amy Wiegandt
4. Application from Autumn Wood
5. Application from Carol Malonson
6. Applications from Jean Connaughton
7. Applications from Sandra Slavin
8. Application from Sherbie Worthen
9. Application from Melissa Kauranen
10. Application from Carl Schulz
11. Application from Judith Whiteside
12. Application from Ronald Besse
13. Application from Kristina Lisa Burbank
14. Application from Karen Blair
15. Application from Richard Coletti
16. Application from Steven Coughlin
17. Application from Ian Daley
18. Application from Cynthia Follis
19. Application from Luiz Gonzaga
20. Application from George Morse
21. Application from Robert Short
22. Application from Joel Thomas