

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: March 7, 2017
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Judith Whiteside, Chairman
Peter W. Teitelbaum, Clerk
Patrick G. Tropeano
Alan H. Slavin, Clerk
Anthony R. Scarsciotti, Jr.

Also present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator
Attorney Richard Bowen, Town Counsel

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A moment of silence was held to remember Arthur Lee who recently passed away.

A public hearing on Tremont Nail will be held on Thursday, March 9th at 7pm in the Town Hall Auditorium.

The Council on Aging is offering exercise classes thanks to someone who generously offered her services.

The Dog Hearing that was scheduled for tomorrow has been cancelled.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

6. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

7. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. Application for Change of Manager for Charlie's Place, 3073 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA.

Present before the board: Harry Nickolaow

Mr. Nickaloaw was before the board for a Change of Manager.

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-3-7-17 (CONT'D)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application for a Change of manager for Charlie's Place, 3073 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA to Harry Nickolaow. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Application for a Change of Hours for Shenanigans Bar & Grill, Inc., 2691 Cranberry Highway, Wareham, MA.

Present before the board: Stephen Hulburt

Mr. Hulburt would like to start serving breakfast on the weekends and was before the board seeking a change of hours. Selectman Tropeano advised Mr. Hulburt that he noticed that he had a couple of unregistered vehicles in front of his property and explained that it is not allowed and asked that he remove the vehicles which Mr. Hulburt did agree.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application for a Change of Hours for Shenanigans Bar & Grill, Inc., 2691 Cranberry Highway, Wareham, MA the hours are to remain the same except for Saturday & Sunday to open at 8am subject to the removal of the vehicles. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. Request from Shenangians Bar & Grill, Inc., 2691 Cranberry Highway, Wareham, MA for a temporary change of hours on Friday, March 17, 2017 to open at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast.

Present before the board: Stephen Hulburt

Mr. Hulburt would like to open early for St. Patrick 's Day to serve breakfast.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the temporary change of hours on Friday, March 17, 2017 to open at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Request from Buzzards Play Production for (3) one-day liquor licenses.

Present before the board: Jessica Smart

Ms. Smart was before the board seeking (3) one-day liquor licenses. The board expressed some concern over the Burlesque Show and explained to her that the when she applies for her entertainment she needs to be specific as to what type of entertainment will be at this venue. Selectman Tropeano stated that he had a real problem with this type of entertainment and stated that it's like a strip club and the area is not zoned for that type of entertainment.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to grant to Buzzards Play Productions a one-day liquor permit for Thursday, March 9, 2017 from 7pm-11pm. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-1-0 (Selectman Tropeano opposed)

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-3-7-17 (CONT'D)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to grant to Buzzards Play Productions a one-day liquor permit for Thursday, March 10, 2017 from 5pm-midnight. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-2-0 (Selectman Tropeano & Whiteside opposed)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to grant to Buzzards Play Productions a one-day liquor permit for Thursday, March 18, 2017 from 7pm-11pm. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-1-0 (Selectman Tropeano opposed)

- e. Application by Gleason Family YMCA for the use of Town roads for their annual YMCA Armed Forces Day 5K to be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

Present before the board: Cathleen Longfield

Ms. Longfield was before the board seeking approval for the use of Town roads.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application by Gleason Family YMCA for the use of Town roads for their annual YMCA Armed Forces Day 5K to be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Discussion re: Public access for fishing and public access parking area for property known as 0 Marion Road.

Present before the board: Paul Johnson, Ross Kessler, Doug Cameron & Garry Buckminster

Mr. Kessler explained that they plan on making some improvements by adding a gravel parking lot. This would be for car top access boats and will not have any trailer access. Currently the property has issues with littering and the state would like to beautify and make the property is useful. Selectman Teitelbaum read off a list (as attached) of those who were in support of the agreement.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to enter in an agreement between the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game, including Division of Marine Fisheries and Office of Fishing and Boating and the Town of Wareham. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Vote on annual election warrant.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to vote on the annual election warrant. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. Vote on Senior Work-off program.
- d. Discussion and possible vote re: Proposed increased in distribution rates for Eversource.

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-3-7-17 (CONT'D)

Selectman Teitelbaum asked if the board would like for him to attend the public hearing the DPU is holding on the proposed 7% increase.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to have Selectman Teitelbaum attend on behalf of the board the DPU hearing.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- e. Continued discussion and possible vote on articles to be placed on Special spring 2017 Town Meeting Warrant.

Present before the board: Joyce Bacchiocchi and Missy Decas

Both were before the board to speak about the article for the use of CPC funds to fund the construction of a new concession stand and ticket booth and to replace the existing sound system at the Spillane football field. They were asked to get in contact with Mr. MacMillan and Mr. Sullivan as well as the School Committee since the current agreement they have with WAA needs to be replaced with an agreement from their organization and the school.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to place the Spillane Field Concession Stand/Ticket Booth/Sound System article on the 2017 Special Spring Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

Present before the board: Renee Moniz and Amanda Smith

Ms. Moniz was before the board seeking support for the Philip E. Lukey Community Park Rehabilitation article for the use of CPC funds up to \$175,000 to fund the rehabilitation of the existing Philip E. Lukey Wewantic Playground. Mr. Sullivan was in support of this article due to the group agreeing to step up and keep the playground clean.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to place the Philip E. Lukey Community Park Rehabilitation article on the 2017 Special Spring Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to place the Marijuana Moratorium by-Law on the 2017 Special Spring Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-1 (Selectman Tropeano abstained)

- f. Request to place signs on Town property.
- g. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-3-7-17 (CONT'D)

Mr. Sullivan updated the board on the Minot Forest project and they went over the MSBA time frame and they have advertised and also setup a sub committee.

10. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Payment to the Law Office of Attorney Rich Bowen

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to authorize payment to the Law Office of Richard P. Bowen. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to adjourn. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (UNANIMOUS)

13. 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: _____

Peter W. Teitelbaum, Clerk

Date Signed: 5-23-17

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 5-24-17

Carver Sportsmen's Club Inc
PO Box 14 South Carver Massachusetts 02366



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March 7, 2017

Judith Whiteside
Wareham Board of Selectmen
Town of Wareham
54 Marion Rd.
Wareham, MA 02571

Dear Selectmen Whiteside,

The Carver Sportsmen's Club represents more than 160 sportsmen of the greater Carver Area. Our membership supports the purchase of the 0 Marion Road property by the Division of Marine Fisheries. We urge the Wareham Board of Selectmen to support this purchase as well. This property represents an important opportunity to improve public access to the coastal fishing resources.

A significant portion of our membership resides in Wareham and the surrounding area. We request Selectmen support both the purchase of the property itself and the creation of a partnership between the Town of Wareham and the Departments of Marine Fisheries, The Office of Fishing and Boating Access and the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game to proactively manage the property, Public safety will be enhanced by this agreement and Wareham police will have better control of the area.

The acquisition of this property is in the best interests of the Town of Wareham and the sportsmen and women of the area.

Sincerely,

Paul Johnson
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Plymouth County League of Sportsmen

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3 Laurie Lane, Carver, MA 02330-1398

March 2, 2017

Judith Whiteside
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Town of Wareham
54 Marion Rd.
Wareham, MA 02571

Dear Selectmen Whiteside,

I write on behalf of the Plymouth County League of Sportsmen to advocate for the Board of Selectmen to support the purchase of 0 Marion Road by the Division of Marine Fisheries. This property abuts the Weweantic River on Route 6 and represents a unique opportunity to improve public access to this great fishery.

The league has long been a proponent of improving public access for fishing and boating to replace coastal access that has been lost to development. Wareham residents stand to gain disproportionately from improved access for striped bass and bluefish fishing as well as crabbing and shell fishing. The purchase of the property itself will be funded entirely by the Division of Marine Fisheries and area sportsmen through revenue collected from the purchase salt water fishing licenses.

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Our league has many clubs in close proximity to the 0 Marion Road property. The members of these clubs have direct local interest in improved access to this fishery. Wankinquoah in Middleborough has 830 members, Plymouth has 800 members, Upland has 600 members, Standish Sportsmen's Association in East Bridgewater has 360, Trout unlimited as 320 members, Carver has 190 members, Samoset has 135 members, and Beaver Brook has 45 members. Other clubs in our membership support improved public access.

Sincerely,

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TOWN OF WAREHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dear Wareham Board of Selectmen-

I am writing to you to express support of the Town of Wareham entering into a partnership with The Division of Marine Fisheries and Office of Fishing and Boating at the Marion Road, Weweantic property. The purchase of this property offers Wareham an opportunity that will preserve access to the Weweantic for the fishing public without negatively impacting homeowners in the area and providing access to one of the greatest rivers in all Massachusetts.

The Weweantic is a super safe river for kayaks and canoes. There are few large boats speeding and is usually very calm.

I am now 64 years old but when I was 7 years old my father took me to a secret spot on the Weweantic river and I caught a striper bass on a small popper that Stan Gibbs had given me, we released the bass but the memory has stayed with me all these years. By the way at the time we lived in Woonsocket R.I..

In the late 70's and 80's living in the Worcester area I brought my nephew of 8 years old to the Weweantic. We fished the Weweantic until he found out about girls. 7 great years of memories I will never forget. We used to launch a small boat at the route 6 bridge, now sadly closed. The Weweantic is a beautiful river truly god's gift. Every time we came we stopped in at diner in Wareham and then off to MD's for bait and tackle. In fact I still have a T shirt I bought in the 70's from MD's. The best thing is the memories of watching my nephew growing up while fishing the Weweantic and meeting so many of Wareham's friendly residents.

In 2013 my son of 27 years old found a house near the banks of the Weweantic river, Horseshoe pond area. I was so excited I encouraged him to purchase the house which he did. My son now lives in what I call god's paradise. Close to where I caught my first striper. My Son, his wife and newly born twins are now Wareham residents.

In 2016 finally my wife and I moved from the Worcester area to Carver. For personal reasons and to my disappointment I could not move to Wareham. After we were all moved in late September my wife and I would take a ride every evening to Wareham Fish pier. What a thrill I had easy and safe access to a great fishing spot. My son and daughter-in-law would join us when they had the time. Fishing brings families close together. Fishing doesn't happen without access.

Without access to the water Wareham may as well be 100 miles from the ocean. Many residents of Wareham do not own or live on water front and therefore have limited access to Wareham's beauty. I have fished all over the cape from P-town to Martha's Vineyard but you will not find a more beautiful or friendly town than Wareham. And I would of never known about Wareham except my Father knew of a secret spot where we could access the Weweantic!

People have used the piece of shoreline for access for many decades. Currently the property is not being properly managed. By having the state and town partner in the management there it will be better cared for.

Opportunities like this one do not come along very often. Losing an access location like this one would be a shame. The acquisition of this property will give the town the control it needs to

manage this area and give citizens a location to recreate in a safe and productive environment.

Please support a partnership to make this location forever accessible to anglers and give the next generation the chance to have the great memories that I have of the Weweantic river.

Thanks so much for taking the time to read this.

Forever a friend of the Town of Wareham

Russ Falardeau

26-5 South Meadow Village

Carver, MA 02330



Plymouth County League of Sportsmen

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Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Wareham
54 Marion Road
Wareham, MA 02571

Cape Cod Salties Sportfishing Club
P.O. Box 1183
South Dennis, MA 02660

To the Honorable Board:

The Cape Cod Salties Sportfishing Club, one of the largest fishing clubs on the Cape with over 300 members, requests the Board of Selectmen in Wareham to join in partnership with the Department of Marine Fisheries in MA in securing the land at O Marion Road on the Weweantic Property in Wareham.

Other presenters might have submitted letters of support or are here tonight to present different reasons why this partnership should be formed. One of the things I would like to point out to the board is that the American Sportfishing Association contracted Southwick Associates to do a study on the Economic Contributions of Recreational Fishing: U.S. Congressional Districts. It was determined that there are 646,687 licensed fishermen in MA, and 88,919 reside in Representative William Keating's district. Retail sales for Rep. Keating's district are \$54,809,077. Furthermore, there are 851 jobs related to this sporting venture, including several located up the street at M & D Bait and Tackle. This study can be found online at Southwick Associates, under Economic Contributions of Recreational Fishing: U.S. Congressional Districts.

Recreational fishing in MA is good for the economy – creating jobs, providing recreation for residents, and all the auxiliary things that come along with this, such as hotel rentals, eating establishments, sporting goods stores, boat marinas, for example. Besides everything else you hear tonight, please consider the positive economic contributions for your community at the same time.

Sincerely,

Jack Creighton, President, Cape Cod Salties Sportfishing Club

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Galen Locke - retired - Fishman & Barnacle RE Weymouth
Gerry Buchanan Harbor Master Uxbridge

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