

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: March 26, 2019
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Alan H. Slavin, Chairman
Patrick G. Tropeano, Clerk
Peter W. Teitelbaum
Anthony Scarsciotti, arrived 7:23 p.m.
Mary Bruce

Also Present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator
Richard P. Bowen, Town Counsel

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town election will be held next Tuesday – Polls will be open from 7am-8pm.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

6. BOARDS COMMENTS

7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

a. Zoning Board of Appeals – Associate
Present before the board: Walter B. Cruz, Jr.
Mr. Cruz was before the board seeking appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an associate member.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to appoint Walter B. Cruz, Sr, as an associate member to the Zoning Board of Appeals to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. LICENSES AND PERMITS

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- a. Application from the Church of the Good Shepherd/Project Bread, c/o Rev. Dan Bernier, 74 High Street, Wareham, MA for the use of Town roads for the Greater Wareham Annual Walk for Hunger on Sunday, May 5, 2019.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the application from the Church of the Good Shepherd/Project Bread, c/o Rev. Dan Bernier, 74 High Street, Wareham, MA for the use of Town roads for the Greater Wareham Annual Walk for Hunger on Sunday, May 5, 2019. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Application from Power in Prayer Worldwide Outreach SJP Ministries, P.O. Box 959 Wareham, MA for a Second Hand Dealer's License.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the application from Power in Prayer Worldwide Outreach SJP Ministries, P.O. Box 959 Wareham, MA for a Second Hand Dealer's License. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. Application for a Change of DBA from JNJ Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Car Lot Auto Sales, JNJ Holdings, d/b/a Supreme Motors, Corp., 2371 Cranberry Highway, W. Wareham, MA, 02571.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved approve the application for a Change of DBA from JNJ Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Car Lot Auto Sales, JNJ Holdings, d/b/a Supreme Motors, Corp., 2371 Cranberry Highway, W. Wareham, MA, 02571. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

9 TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and votes to recommend spring and special town meeting warrant articles.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend article 7 on the spring town meeting warrant. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Present before the board: Michael Besse & Don King

Both were before the board giving reasons they believe that the Onset Pier should be named after Harry C. Besse. Selectman Teitelbaum thought that the renaming of the Onset Pier would be confusing to people since we already have a Besse Park and people might think the pier is located near the park. Selectman Slavin just had a concern with changing the name only because of 5 million dollar grant that was submitted and wasn't sure if the name change would affect that but it doesn't matter either way. Selectman Tropeano stated that he believes that Harry Besse deserves some type of recognition.

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Present before the board: Bill Lockwood, Jacqui Hickey & Jean Connaughton from the Wareham Housing Authority to speak about the article submitted by CPC to construct 4 housing units. Also present is Sandy Slavin, Co-Chairman of the CPC. Ms. Slavin stated that she did speak with Mr. Campinha regarding the sewer and he stated the reason they had problems in the past was due to roots growing in the system and he didn't have any concerns with the additional units. Selectman Teitelbaum explained that he is opposed to this because the Wareham Redevelopment Authority has an article coming before Town meeting to purchase some land and felt that the money could be used at that location to build more than 4 units. Selectman Tropeano stated that if they hold off any longer the cost to build the units would only increase and that project wouldn't be for some time down the road. Ms. Slavin explained that this is the 4th attempt to get this on the warrant and would like to have the voters decide.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend this article. Selectman Bruce seconded.

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

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 2 – Fund Parking Program on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 5 – Solar Pilots on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 6 – PEG Access Receipts to Wareham Community TV. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 7 – Municipal Facility Stabilization Fund. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 8 – Rescind Prior Year Bond Authorizations. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 9 – Transfer of Tax Title Property.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend Article 11 – Amend By-Laws, Division I, Article IV, Section 5 – Finance Committee Term Limits. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Vote to update the Oak Grove Lease to the Cape Verdean Cultural Council.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to update the Oak Grove Lease to the Cape Verdean Cultural Council. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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c. Confirm vote to transfer funds from Finance Committee reserve.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to confirm the vote to transfer \$40,000 from the Finance Committee reserve to pay for the demolition of a structure on 2787 Cranberry Highway. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

d. Vote on Host Agreement for National Laboratories & Consulting, 4 Recovery Road, Wareham, MA.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved approve the Host Agreement for National Laboratories & Consulting, 4 Recovery Road, Wareham, MA. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Note: Mr. Sullivan stated that this is not a facility that will be selling marijuana, it's strictly a lab that will test the product.

e. Request from the Church of the Good Shepherd to place signs on Town property for their annual Greater Walk for Hunger.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved approve the request from the Church of the Good Shepherd to place signs on Town property for their annual Greater Walk for Hunger. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan asked that the board place on their next agenda accept donation for the electronic billboard in the amount of \$25,000.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to place on the agenda. Selectman Bruce seconded.

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

Mr. Sullivan was happy to announce that the bond rating for the has now jumped up two ratings to AA+ just shy of a AAA rating.

GATRA will be proposing a summer shuttle in the Onset Village beginning service the week of June 24th and operating seven days a week between the hours of 10am and 9pm. The proposed route would leave from Hines/Lopes Field travel along Onset Beach to Onset Avenue, then to Nanumet and Camron Streets and terminate at the Bay Pointe golf course parking lot.

11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

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Selectman Teitelbaum stated that the Redevelopment Strategy document should be made available after a couple of things are edited. He stated that they are planning to hold a workshop in the near future.

Selectman Slavin attended the MASS DOT meeting in Hyannis and stated that hopefully more transportation will be available in Wareham soon.
Selectman Slavin attended the Legislative breakfast last week in Mansfield, they discussed chapter 90 funding.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to adjourn. Selectman Scarsciotti seconded.
VOTE: 5-0-0 (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: 
Patrick G. Tropeano, Clerk

Date Signed: 4-2-19

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 4-3-19