

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: April 7, 2020
Date of Transcription: April 21, 2020
Transcribed by: Cassandra Slaney

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Patrick G. Tropeano, Chairman
Mary Bruce, Clerk
Alan H. Slavin
James M. Munise
Peter W. Teitelbaum

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

Due to the circumstances regarding COVID-19 and the rules and guidelines implemented, this meeting was held remotely.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Slavin asked for a moment of silence for Donald Hall who passed away April 3rd. He was a long time member of many committees and will be missed.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

6. BOARDS COMMENTS

Selectman Teitelbaum attended a virtual meeting the Redevelopment Authority. The meeting concentrated on the Littleton Drive proposals. A decision has not been made yet, but the Redevelopment Authority has decided to interview the most promising respondent to see what they can do in terms of creating some affordable housing for seniors.

He also wanted to comment about the coronavirus situation and remind people to be more forgiving and less judgmental because no one knows the circumstance of others.

Selectman Slavin stated the grocery stores have now put a limit to 40% occupancy in the store which also includes employees.

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-4/7/2020 (CONT'D)

He also wanted to thank the first responders for putting their lives on the line in order to keep residents safe.

7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

- a. Registrar
 - i. Dorothy Taylor

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Dorothy Taylor as registrar for the Town of Wareham for a term to expire no later than June 30, 2023. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	yes
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. LICENSES AND PERMITS

9. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Vote on articles for 2020 Special Town Meeting.
Votes to take place at a later date.

- b. Vote on articles for 2020 Annual Spring Town Meeting.
Votes to take place at a later date.

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

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to appoint Robert Ethier, Director of Public Health as respondent to the Attorney General regarding the decision to postpone Town Meeting for public health reasons. Selectman Slavin seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES-4/7/2020 (CONT'D)

Mr. Sullivan provided an update regarding COVID-19. As of this date, there are fourteen active cases of the coronavirus. He continues to attend virtual meetings with the Emergency Response Team on a daily basis. He wanted to extend his appreciation to Chief Rowley for donating four Tyvek suits to Tobey Hospital and to Superintendent Dr. Shaver-Hood for preparing online learning in a timely manner. He also wanted to extend a thank you to Dr. Amy Weigandt for all of her help as well.

He also stated legislation was passed extending the due date for real estate tax bills to June 1st.

12. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

None.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to adjourn. Selectman Munise seconded.

Roll Call	Selectman Teitelbaum	-	yes
	Selectman Slavin	-	yes
	Selectman Munise	-	yes
	Selectman Bruce	-	yes
	Selectman Tropeano	-	yes

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

15. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted
Cassandra Slaney
Department Assistant

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

Attest:


Mary Bruce, Clerk/Judith Whiteside(out of necessity)

Date Signed: 6-30-20

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 7-1-20