

## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Date of Meeting: June 11, 2019  
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### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

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

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

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

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A car show will take place on June 29<sup>th</sup> (rain date June 30<sup>th</sup>) at the Tremont Nail parking lot.

An Antiques Faire will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup> at the Town Green.

The OBA will be hosting a pig roast/bbq/car show at the Onset VFW on July 13<sup>th</sup> from noon-6pm.

The town is still looking for people to serve on boards, committees & commissions, please check the town's website for a list of vacancies.

Jon Wright from Wareham, England will be given a presentation about the history of England's Wareham at the Methodist Meeting House on Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m.

### **5. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None

### **6. BOARDS COMMENTS**

Selectman Slavin spoke about the mailing that went out on the Community Electricity Aggregation Program. He explained that the state setup the program so that if you

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don't want to be enrolled you need to opt out, it wasn't the towns decision. He also said that right now it's for 17 months and only 5 towns are in this program and hopefully the next round will be a bigger savings if more communities join in. For information people are asked to check out the website [www.warehamcea.com](http://www.warehamcea.com) for information on the program.

Selectman Munise attended a seminar for new officials

Chairman Tropeano advised the board of the summer scheduled for the meetings and asked that they let him know if they plan on being away.

Chairman Tropeano attended the Wareham High School graduation and declared June 7<sup>th</sup> as graduate date.

**7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**

Chairman Tropeano wanted to let the Constables know that he will be creating a new program for appointment of Constables for next year.

- a. Constables
  - i. Joseph Latimer
  - ii. Herve Vandal, Jr.
  - iii. Thomas Zine, Sr.

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Joseph Latimer, Herve Vandal, Jr., & Thomas Zine, Sr. as Constables to a term to expire on later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-1 (Selectman Munise abstained)**

**8. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

- a. Hearing at 7:15 p.m. for renewal and modification of shellfish grant W-84 for Indian Cove Aquaculture of Wareham, LLC.

Present before the board: Michael & Dale Besse

Both were before the board seeking a renewal of their shellfish grant and also a change in the name on the grant.

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to open the hearing. Selectman Slavin seconded. Poll vote: Selectman Teitelbaum-yes, Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Bruce-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes. *JAMES MUNISE -yes MBB*

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to close the hearing. Selectman Slavin seconded. Poll vote: Selectman Teitelbaum-yes, Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Bruce-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes. *JAMES MUNISE -yes MBB*

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**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to approve the renewal and modification of shellfish grant for Indian Cove Aquaculture of Wareham, LLC. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- b. Application from South Shore Race Management, P.O. Box 1480, Duxbury, MA 02331 for the use of town roads for their Wareham Boosters 5K Run on Saturday, October 19, 2019.

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to approve the application from South Shore Race Management, P.O. Box 1480, Duxbury, MA 02331 for the use of town roads for their Wareham Boosters 5K Run on Saturday, October 19, 2019 per the drawing. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**9. TOWN BUSINESS**

- a. Update from the Community Events Committee

Present before the board: Lori Benson, Jean Connaughton & Selectman Slavin as voting member of the CEC.

Ms. Benson stated that they have awarded 30 awards to different programs and have been advertising in the Wareham Courier for new applications. They still have some money to award. Ms. Connaughton said that Ms. Benson has been doing a lot of work and has revised the website; she said that Linda also works very hard. Some of the grants have included Don't Trash Wareham, OBA Fireworks, the Evergreen House, Cape Verdean Festival, Visitor Center, Friends of the Wareham Free Library, Advocates for Seniors and Historical Society just to name a few. Selectman Slavin stated that they had asked Jimmy Potter, former Selectmen to attend a meeting since he was the one who put this in place and asked what he was his intention, he said that he was looking to use the funds for Town meeting, Selectman Slavin said that immediately they thought of using some of the funds for electronic voting. The grants range from \$200 - \$10,000 with a limit of \$45,000.

- b. Discussion of Audit Committee

Selectman Slavin explained that this committee was put in place with the idea to look at the audit report. The auditors for the past few years haven't shown any material weaknesses so he said it doesn't appear that this committee needs to be in place. Chairman Tropeano stated that it can just stay in place and the board didn't sunset at this time.

- c. Accept donation from Andrea Malon in the amount of \$100 to the Wareham Free Library in memory of George Shaw.

Selectman Bruce moved to accept the donation form Andrea Malon in the amount of \$100 to the Wareham Free Library in memory of Gregory Shaw. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**

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- d. Vote on the appointment of David Morris as the Director of Inspectional Services.

**MOTION:** Selectman Teitelbaum moved to ratify the appointment of David Morris. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**

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

**10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Sullivan asked for the board to place on their next agenda acceptance of property located at 50 Pond Street, Wareham from the Estate of Paul Volpe. He said that once the board accepts this parcel of land it can be placed on the Town Meeting warrant.

The Wareham Girls Soccer Association will be bringing a request to CPC for funding of Westfield for fencing and other items.

Mr. Sullivan along with Mr. Buckland went to the Sacred Heart Seminary located on Great Neck Road and met with a member of the Audubon Society and stated that they have been getting a lot of support from the community.

Mr. Sullivan spoke about the Piping Plovers nesting at Little Harbor and how the town is currently not allowed to rake the beach.

Mr. Sullivan stated that as of July 1<sup>st</sup> the short term rental tax goes into effect, he said that this is collected by the DOR.

**11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS**

Selectman Munise attended both the Open Space Committee & Planning board meetings. He also stated that a meeting of the regional district will be held at the end of the month in Carver and when he confirms the date he will ask that it be posted on the town website.

Selectman Slavin stated that the benchmark, which is the revenue for the state is just under \$1 million ahead and that most of the surplus is going into the states stabilization fund, lottery revenues are up, the house and senate wrapped up their budgets. Some programs are available for bullet proof vests and also for fire safety equipment.

**12. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

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- b. Authorize payment to the Law Office of Richard P. Bowen.
- c. Approval of meeting minutes: April 22, 2019; June 4, 2019 & executive session of May 14, 2019.

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to approve the meeting minutes of April 22, 2019. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 4, 2019. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

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

The executive session minutes were not voted on due to Selectman Munise having some questions regarding the minutes and the procedures. The board will be reviewing this at their next executive session.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Selectman Bruce moved to adjourn. Selectman Teitelbaum 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:

  
**Mary Bruce, Clerk**

Date Signed: 6-25-19

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 6-26-19