

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: July 30, 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: Richard Bowen, Town Counsel
Absent from meeting: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meet me at the Tremont will be held on Saturday, August 24th, the cost for the tickets are \$40 per person and are available at the Consignment shop on Main Street and also at the Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce.

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Present before the board: Eric Lintala

Mr. Lintala was before the board with a concern he is dealing with trying to get an issue solved with the Zoning Board of Appeals, he stated that they can't seem to have a quorum or when it comes time to vote on this property two of the members recuse themselves. Chairman Tropeano explained that at the meeting tonight they are going to appoint a member to hopefully deal with the quorum issue. Attorney Bowen was asked a question regarding voting and he explained that on a 5 member board a vote to deny requires only 3 people to vote and a vote to grant would require 4 members to vote.

6. BOARDS COMMENTS

Selectman Slavin stated that an application will be filed within the next 4-5 days for the traffic light at the end of Swifts Beach and Marion Road, this process could take up to 3 years to be installed.

Selectman Munise stated that some committees are ineffective and inactive and are failing to act on committee applications. He inquired as to the process and who was

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the appointing authority and if send the application to the committees was a requirement or courtesy. He also suggested that if committees are unable or unwilling to act on a recommendation the Selectmen should review the application and act upon them. Selectman Tropeano, thought Selectman Munise was correct and was going to check on it.

7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

- a. Zoning Board of Appeals
 - i. Jacob Morrison

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Jacob Morrison as a member to the Zoning Board of Appeals to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2024. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Council on Aging Board of Directors
 - i. Joy Becker

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Joy Becker as a member to the Council on Aging Board of Directors to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2023. Selectman Slavin seconded.

- c. Election Poll Workers
 - i. Barbara Gomes
 - ii. Paul Ciccotelli
 - iii. Patricia Ciccotelli

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to appoint Barbara Gomes, Paul Ciccotelli & Patricia Ciccotelli as Election Poll Workers to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2020. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. Application from Cupcake Charlies, 2421 Cranberry Highway, Wareham, MA for a Common Victualler's License.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the application from Cupcake Charlies, 2421 Cranberry Highway, Wareham for a Common Victualler's License. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Application from the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce for a one-day liquor license to be held on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the application from the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce for a one-day liquor license to be held on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Selectman Slavin seconded.

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

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- c. Application from Trevor Watson for ten (10) one-day liquor licenses to be held on August 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th, 30th & 31st of 2019 from 3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the ten (10) one-day liquor licenses to be held on August 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th, 30th & 31st of 2019 from 3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Vote to revoke underground storage license for non-payment issued to Cape Cod Marine Services, LLC, d/b/a Alumtech, 11 Aldrin Road, Plymouth, MA for the location t 3173 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA 02538.

Chairman Tropeano asked Attorney Bowen to speak on this and he stated that the Town would need to send a notice and cite all the problems and bring them in to hold a hearing and the board can make a decision at that time.

9. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Establish dates for Fall Town Meeting and Notice of Intent.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to establish the dates for Town Meeting. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved and read into the record the Notice of Intent. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Conference call with Turning Technologies regarding electronic voting. Greg Alexander from Turning Technologies was on the phone providing the board with a presentation on electronic voting. He provided the board with a slide show on how the motions would appear on the screen at Town meeting and how the voting would appear as well. He also went over the cost of the hand held units and what it would cost for leasing and purchasing, they did agree that leasing would be the best option since its \$2000 for 400 units and with the change in technology it would always be up to date.

- c. Vote on policy #19-01.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve policy #19-01. Selectman Bruce seconded.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Update from Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
Present before the board: Sandy Slavin, Clerk

Selectman Munise inquired as to why the committee has not been meeting and why they have failed to act on appointments for the committee. Ms. Slavin stated that the Affordable Housing Trust was reactivated in 2009. One of the goals was to increase the number of affordable units in Wareham; they would meet once a month but found

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it difficult to make anything happen. She said that they did talk about dissolving the housing trust until Selectman Slavin stated that it would be in the best interest for the Town of Wareham to keep the trust but it didn't need to be active to allow for the Town to apply for grants.

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

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan stated that they recently had a successful auction, one home in Onset sold for \$67,000 plus \$5000 in fees and a parcel of land sold for \$8600 also plus \$5000 in fees. Both of these properties were in tax title.

11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

Selectman Slavin stated that not much has been happening with SPREDD for the summer months. The Cannabis Control Commission in regards to social clubs has been put on hold.

Chairman Tropeano stated that they have been dealing with ongoing issues with Odor at the Sewer plant. He stated that they are working on an independent evaluation to stop the odors and hope they can come up with a solution that works. He also stated that last week someone came before the board saying that perhaps if the train whistle was louder than the person who was on the track wouldn't have been injured, he said that at one time he was in agreement with the owners of the properties nearby about lowering the whistle at the tracks until they found out that the law doesn't allow for that anymore and wanted to make it very clear that the whistles were blowing at the time of the accident.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes: June 27, 2019; July 16, 2019.

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 27, 2019. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-2 (Selectman Teitelbaum & Munise abstained)

MOTION: Selectman Bruce moved to approve the meeting minutes of July 16, 2019. Selectman Slavin seconded.

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

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

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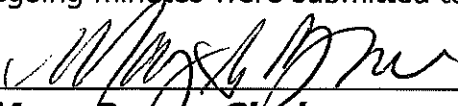
14. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted

Janet Wilson

Department Assistant

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

Attest: 
Mary Bruce, Clerk

Date Signed: 9-17-19

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 9-18-19