

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD

Date of Meeting: April 04, 2023
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

Hybrid meeting

2. ROLL CALL

Select Board Members Present: Judith Whiteside, Chair
Patricia A. Wurts, Clerk
Alan H. Slavin
Jared S. Chadwick
Ronald S. Besse

Also Present: Rich Bowen, Town Counsel
Not Present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Chadwick reminds people that permits are needed before putting up signs. The 16 signs put up on Glen Charlie Road were not permitted and there will be a \$300 a day fine given to the owner of any non-permitted sign.

Ms. Whiteside reminds residents that happenings at the library are posted and children under five can get free books each month.

5. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

6. 7:15 DOG HEARING-ANDREWS

Ms. Wurts leaves the room during this hearing to avoid potential conflict since she lives in Briarwood. Present before the Board- Mr. Andrews, Mr. Buckminster (Harbormaster), Ms. Cloutier (Animal Control)

MOTION: Mr. Chadwick made a motion to open the hearing for the Kenneth Andrews Briarwood dog hearing. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Ms. Cloutier explains that Mr. Andrews dogs have been an ongoing nuisance by reason of one- causing interference that a reasonable person would find such behavior distributive to one's quiet/peaceful environment and two- having threatened or attacked a domestic animal or person. Citations and suggestions to keep the dogs contained have been issued but the problem is ongoing.

In conclusion, Mr. Bowen explains to Mr. Andrews that the officers are making recommendations through the Board of Selectmen that issue an order against him which is made up of several parts.

1. When not under direct control of a controlling person the dogs must be confined within a building, vehicle or enclosed structure the dogs cannot break free from.
2. The dogs may only leave the property when accompanied by a controlling person on a leash suitable for the dogs.
3. Each dog must be microchipped
4. After two years of compliance the dogs shall not be deemed a nuisance.

Mr. Andrews agreed to these recommendations.

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MOTION: Mr. Chadwick made a motion to close the evidence part of the hearing. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Mr. Slavin made a motion to include recommendations 1-4 presented to the Board. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. LICENSES AND PERMITS

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to approve the application from the Church of Good Shepherd, 74 High Street, for use of Town roads for the Wareham Walk for the Homeless to take place on May 21, 2023 from 1pm to 3pm. Mr. Besse second. Roll call: Ms. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Presenter did not show up to the meeting.
- b. Mr. Dan Butler joined the meeting remotely to discuss the success of Showcase Wareham that took place on Thursday March 30th. The featured entertainment was a big attraction as well as the 15 exhibitors that attended which included restaurants, local businesses, and non-profit organizations. The purpose was to showcase Wareham's history and what we see in vision for its future.
- c. **MOTION:** Mr. Slavin made a motion for the Board to endorse the updated volunteer handbook. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Whitehouse-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Mr. Slavin explains the possible vote to nominate an individual for the 2023 SRPEDD. Every year when SRPEDD reestablishes itself a Planning Board Member is nominated by the Planning Board for one year. The Select Board also picks a member of their own to nominate. Lastly, there are votes for commissioner of the year sent in by the commissioners.
- e. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion that Mr. Slavin is appointed as SRPEDD commission representative for 2023-2024 year. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes

VOTE: 4-0-1 (Slavin)

- f. Mr. Slavin explains that the vote to recommend At-large commissioner for SRPEDD. There are different regions in the SRPEDD region which means any At-large member can be a person at turning point. We will need to reach out to any of the five communities in our region if they would like to be on the SRPEDD Board.
- g. **MOTION:** Ms. Wurts made a motion that we take a vote to approve abatements in the amount of \$365.00 for opt-out and reduction fee applications. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Chadwick-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

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- h. No additional information on the 2023 Annual Spring Town Meeting.
- i. No additional information on the 2023 Special Spring Town Meeting.
- j. No other business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Town Administrator was excused from this meeting.

10. LIAISON/INITIATIVE REPORTS/BOARD'S COMMENTS

11. CONSENT AGENDA

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

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Slavin moved to adjourn. Mr. Chadwick seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Besse, yes, Mr. Chadwick-no, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-1-0 (Chadwick)

Respectfully submitted
Samantha Monast
Department Assistant

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

Attest:  Date Signed: 6/27/23
Patricia A. Wurts, Clerk

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND/OR USED IN MEETING.

- 1. Application from Philip Chiaraluce for Shellfish Grant renewal (hearing reconvened).
- 2. Application from PK Liquors for Seasonal Liquor License (hearing reconvened).
- 3. Renewal of Seasonal Liquor Licenses.
- 4. Seasonal Liquor License extension.
- 5. Application to place signs on Town property.
- 6. Elementary school BAN.
- 7. Upper Cape Regional Technical School Budget presentation.
- 8. Wareham Free Library funds acceptance.
- 9. Votes for 2023 Annual Spring Town Meeting.
- 10. Social Media Policy and email Communication Policy.
- 11. ABCC Seasonal Renewal Certification for 2023.

Date sent to Town Clerk: 6/28/23