

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD

Date of Meeting: April 11, 2023
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REMOTE MEETING DUE TO COVID-19

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIR

2. ROLL CALL

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

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

Not Present: Jared S. Chadwick

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Slavin announced that the annual Fire and Water district meeting was held and everything passed besides one item.

5. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

6. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. **Application from Buzzards Bay Coalition, c/o Jonah Guerin, 114 Front St, New Bedford, MA. For use of Town roads for the Buzzards Bay Coalition Watershed Ride taking place on Sunday, October 1, 2023 from 12 PM-4 PM.**

Present before the Board: Jonah Gurein

Mr. Guerin explained the Buzzards Bay Coalition Watershed Ride traveling from Little Compton, RI to Woods Hole, Mr. Slavin explained that a liability insurance binder will need to be given to the Board prior to the event in order for Wareham to not be responsible for any accidents.

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to grant the application for the Buzzards Bay Coalition Watershed Ride taking place on Sunday, October 1, 2023 from 12 PM-4 PM. Mr. Slavin seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. **Application from Max Performance, c/o Tim Richmond, 23 Lindor Rd, Reading, MA. For use of Town roads for the Harvest Triathlon Bike Course taking place Sunday, June 11, 2023 from 7:30 AM-11:00 AM.**

Present before the Board: Tim Richmond

After Mr. Richmond explains this event, Mr. Slavin also explained to him that a liability insurance binder will need to be given to the Board prior to the event in order for Wareham to not be responsible for any accidents.

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MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to grant the application for the Harvest Triathlon Bike Course taking place on Sunday, June 11, 2023 from 7:30 AM-11:00 AM. Mr. Besse seconded. Roll call: Mr. Slavin-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. **Application from Parkwood Beach Association, c/o Suzanne Burke, 2 Ash St, Wareham, MA. For use of Town roads for the Centennial Parade taking place on Saturday, July 15, 2023 from 8 AM- 10AM**

Present before the Board: Suzanne Burke

While Ms. Burke was explaining the Centennial Parade to celebrate the 100th birthday for the Parkwood Beach Association, she asked if the original time on the application could be changed to 8 AM-11:30 AM including a rain date of July 16th.

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion to approve the application for the Centennial Parade taking place on Saturday, July 15, 2023 from 8 AM-11:30AM with a rain date of July 16th. Mr. Slavin seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes. Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. TOWN BUSINESS

8. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan thoroughly explains the FY24 budget by breaking down the revenues/expenses with a slide show of many different charts. The estimated new growth is about \$450,000 and the total estimated revenue is about \$78,607,189. Mr. Sullivan then showed a dollar bill chart which breaks down where the Town money is going by percentages; 0% to Cultural and Recreational, 1% to Health and Human Services, 2% to Debt Services, 2% to New School Debt, 4% to Public Works, 4% for Upper Cape Cod Tech, 5% to General Government, 8% to State and County Assessments, 10% to Public Safety, 21% to School and Town Employee Benefits, and 43% to School. FY24 will be the first major state aid increase the Town has seen in eleven years at about \$13,696,953. All of the budget information in the slide show will be posted on the Town website.

9. LIAISON/INITIATIVE REPORTS/BOARD'S COMMENTS

Mr. Slavin will be meeting with Eversource on Monday to talk about the utility poles and he will also be meeting with MassDOT tomorrow to go over highway roads.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

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

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Ms. Wurts made a motion that they will be going into an executive session meeting for M.G.L 30A § 21 (3) to discuss the litigation of Marie Ciccotelli and also an executive session for 30A § 21 (3) to discuss union contracts. Mr. Slavin Seconded. Roll call: Mr. Besse-yes, Ms. Wurts-yes. Mr. Slavin-yes, Ms. Whiteside-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

C. ADJOURNMENT

D. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

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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