# MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date of Meeting: October 27, 2020
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# 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

# Remote meeting due to Covid19

### 2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Peter W. Teitelbaum, Esq., Chairman

Judith Whiteside, Clerk

Alan H. Slavin Patrick G. Tropeano James M. Munise

Also Present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator

Richard Bowen, Town Counsel

### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selectman Teitelbaum requested a moment of silence for Melissa Bourne who passed away October 23<sup>rd</sup>. She was a valued long time employee in the Accounting Office of the Town Hall.

To participate in the Dog Park Calendar contest, log onto gogophotocontest.com\warehamdogpark. Enter the contest for \$10.00 and provide a picture of your dog to be featured in a calendar. The completed calendar will cost \$25.00.

The Church of the Good Shepherd is offering take-out meals every Thursday from 4-5 in the parking lot.

The Food Pantry is the first Tuesday of each month from 3-5.

Damien's Pantry is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 10-4 and Fridays from 10-3.

The First Congregational Church has a thrift shop open Thursdays and Fridays from 10-2 and Saturdays from 12-4.

Turning Point and Baby Point have drive-thru collections every third Thursday from 9-12.

Wesley United Methodist Church has a thrift shop on Thursdays and Fridays from 1:30-4:30 and Saturdays from 10-1.

The Wareham Garden Club is selling cookbooks on Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 11-1 at St. Patricks Church.

The Gleason Family YMCA is hosting a Trunk or Treat event on October 31st from 2-4 as well as the Onset Fire Department from 4-8 and the Community Youth Empowerment Group from 2-4 at the Gibbs Ball Park Field. Masks and social distancing are required.

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# 5. <u>CITIZEN'S COMMENTS</u>

### 6. **BOARD'S COMMENTS**

The Governor talked about the increased number of Coronavirus cases in the state. Plymouth has gone back to Phase III Step 1.

Selectman Teitelbaum addressed the emails the Town has received requesting to put up the basketball hoops. Mr. Sullivan stated that with the drastic uptick in cases, no changes will be made. There will be consideration getting a hoop back up when it is safe to do so.

### 7. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS

a. Conservation Commission

i. Ronald Besse

**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved to appoint Ronald Besse as a member to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire no later than June 30, 2023. Selectman Munise seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

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

ii. Carol Malonson

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to appoint Carol Malonson as a member to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire no later than June 30, 2023. Selectman Slavin seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

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

b. Board of Health

i. Kathleen Waldron

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to appoint Kathleen Waldron as an associate member to the Board of Health for a term to expire no later than June 30, 2021. Selectman Slavin seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

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

### 8. <u>LICENSES AND PERMITS</u>

### 9. TOWN BUSINESS

# a. **COVID-19 Update.**

Mr. Sullivan stated that since the 23<sup>rd</sup>, there have been eight new cases and the total since October 5<sup>th</sup> is now up to forty.

Halloween is not cancelled, however, Mr. Sullivan is urging residents to be smart and safe by taking all of the necessary precautions.

### b. Refuse Update.

There will be a CMW meeting October 21<sup>st</sup>. Plans are in motion and progress is being made. Selectman Munise stated that there are a number of issues being discussed but not voted on until it is officially known what the Town has decided. Mr. Sullivan asked the Board not to vote on the restated and amended agreement for the CMW District. Selectman Teitelbaum asked for a vote to take this up under 48 hours.

Mr. Sullivan also stated that he plans to attend the next CMW meeting and request that they allow the Town of Wareham to operate the transfer station beginning January 1, 2021.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to discuss and vote on this matter under 48 hour business. Selectman Munise seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

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c. Vote to ratify hiring of Douglas Pinard – Lead Maintenance Foreman at WPCF.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to ratify the hiring of Douglas Pinard-Lead Maintenance Foreman at WPCF. Selectman Munise seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. **Continued discussion and votes to recommend warrant articles.** *No articles were discussed at this meeting.* 
  - h. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

### 10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sullivan met with representatives of Southcoast Hospital Group regarding the construction at Tobey Hospital. He stated that as of November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the emergency room entrance will be changing from Main Street to High Street. He also stated that Southcoast Hospital Group will be requesting to place signs on Town Property to direct these changes and would like the process request to be expedited. (See attachment)

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to approve the request from Southcoast Hospital Group to place signs on Town Property. Selectman Slavin seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Selectman Tropeano was not present for vote.

A developer is seeking a zoning change which would require a special Town meeting. Mr. Sullivan has requested discuss this along with Ken Buckland, Town Planner at the next meeting. He will also provide a physical copy of this request for the Board to review.

### 11. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS

The Cannabis Control Commission should be finalizing the rules for Marijuana delivery by October 29, 2020.

The DHCP is offering Covid relief grants of up to \$10,000.00 to small businesses to cover staffing, rent, utility, insurance, goods and ppe equipment. The application is available on the Town website at www.wareham.ma.us.

### 12. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of meeting minutes: October 13, 2020; October 20, 2020.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to approve the meeting minutes for October 13, 2020 and October 20, 2020. Selectman Slavin seconded.

Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

Executive Session Minutes: July 21, 2020; October 20, 2020.

This item will be voted on at the next meeting.

b. Authorize payment to the Law Office of Richard P. Bowen for the month of November, 2020.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to authorize payment to the Law Office of Richard P. Bowen for the month of November, 2020. Selectman Slavin seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

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**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Selectman Whiteside seconded. Roll Call: Selectman Slavin-yes, Selectman Tropeano-yes, Selectman Munise-yes, Selectman Whiteside-yes, Selectman Teitelbaum-yes.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Unanimous)

# 14. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted Cassandra Slaney Department Assistant

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

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Judith Whiteside, Clerk as of October 27, 2020

Date Signed:

Date sent to the Town Clerk:

Documents reviewed during meeting

- 1. Appointments for Ronald Besse, Carol Malonson and Kathleen Waldron.
- 2. Ratify Douglas Pinard.
- 3. Map of signs for Tobey Emergency Room entrance.
- 4. Meeting minutes.
- 5. Law Office of Richard P. Bowen invoice.

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