

## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF SELECTMEN**

Date of Meeting: September 29, 2015  
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### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN AT 7:00 P.M.**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Selectmen Present: Patrick G. Tropeano, Chairman  
Judith Whiteside, Clerk  
Stephen M. Holmes, absent  
Peter W. Teitelbaum  
Alan H. Slavin

Also present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator  
Attorney Richard Bowen

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

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Selectman Slavin attended the SPREDD Commissioners meeting last week, they discussed Senate Bill 122 which will bring changes on subdivisions.

Selectman Slavin stated that he was a little disappointed the way the public hearing turned out last week for the Class II license. He stated that the Board of Health and the WCPF should be required to sign off on the application.

The Cranberry Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm at the A.D. Makepeace property.

The Wareham Land Trust will be holding a photography contest. For more information, contact the Wareham Land Trust at 508-295-0211.

The Wareham Historical Society's Ghosts of Gateway program will be held on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The event will take place at 6:30 pm. For more information you can call Tim Weisberg at 508-322-1985. The cost for tickets are \$99 per person.

The Wareham Middle School's Students of the Month for September are Mia Cromwell, John Harris, Kelsey Belcher and Ava St. Germaine.

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The South Coast Musicians are looking for musicians to join the community band. Call Frank or Susan Noonan at 508-971-3032 or 508-965-4099.

The Wareham High School Key Club recently began its annual Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF drive. According to UNICEF, just \$1.80 can protect a woman and her future newborn from this painful disease, and nearly 100 million women in more than 20 countries need help.

The Murder Mystery at the Library will take place on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Main Library. Tickets are only \$25 and may be purchased at the Main Library or the Spinney Branch Library.

The Don't Trash Wareham volunteers worked on cleaning up Little Harbor Beach this past weekend.

**5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

Present before the board: Susan Noonan

Ms. Noonan was before the board reading a letter she wrote about the streetlight outages in the Shell Point neighborhood section of Onset (as attached). Mr. Sullivan stated that \$50,000 was used from free cash to upgrade 100 lights.

Present before the board: Sandy Slavin

Ms. Slavin stated that the Minot Forest has a new path; she also stated that when she moved here they paid the electric bill to have a street light in front of their home. She also stated that it would be a good idea for the Chairman of boards and committees to copy their liaison when they post an agenda so that they are aware of what is going on at the meetings.

**6. APPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS**

None

**7. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

- a. 7:15 p.m. Hearing – Application for transfer of existing year round common victualer all alcoholic beverages license from Liu Jin Xian Corporation, d/b/a New Hong Kong Island, 3035 Cranberry Highway, Wareham.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to open the hearing. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Present before the board: Martha DeBella

Ms. DeBella was before the board asking if they can table this hearing until both parties could come to an agreement.

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**MOTION:** Selectman Teitelbaum moved to continue the hearing until October 13, 2015. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- b. Application from Buzzards Play Productions for (4) one day wines & malt licenses.

Present before the board: Frank Rogers

Mr. Rogers was before the board for the approval of 4 one day wines and malt licenses.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to grant a one day wines & malt license for Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA on October 2, 2015 from 7pm -12pm. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to grant a one day wines & malt license for Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA on October 3, 2015 from 7pm -12pm. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to grant a one day wines & malt license for Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA on October 10, 2015 from 7pm -12pm. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to grant a one day wines & malt license for Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham, MA on October 20, 2015 from 7pm -12pm. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- c. Request from the Wareham Fire Department, c/o John Kelley to hold a Fire Truck Parade on Sunday, October 4, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

*This event was cancelled.*

**8. TOWN BUSINESS**

- a. Repairs on private road – Hollow Tree Lane

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to authorize the repair of Hollow Tree Avenue subject to receipt and clearance of payment in the amount \$275.95 to the Town of Wareham. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

- b. Vote and approval of Bandshell Alliance & Memorandum of Understanding.

Present before the board: Paul Ciccotelli, Patricia Ciccotelli and Nancy Connolly  
Mr. Ciccotelli was before the board asking for them to sign a Memorandum of Understanding. The board asked that this MOU be reviewed by the Town Administrator as well as Town Counsel. Mr. Ciccotelli also announced that they are

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holding a fundraiser at Salerno's Function Hall with Strictly Sinatra on October 9, 2015.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to refer this to Town Counsel and the Town Administrator for drafting and this will be placed on a future agenda for discussion. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

c. Discussion with Finance Committee on Town meeting warrant articles  
Present before the board: Finance Committee members

Article #1 – Budget Transfers

Mr. Sullivan stated that the free cash has not been certified yet and he is also looking into adding money into the street light budget.

Article #2 – Approve and Fund FY16 Capital Plan

(No vote on this article)

Article #3 - Summer Job Youth Program

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #4 – Free Cash to Stabilization Fund

(no vote on this article)

Article #5 – transfer of funds to fund the Parking Kiosk program

**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #6 – Electricity Aggregation

**MOTION:** Selectman Slavin moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #7 – Non Criminal Disposition

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #8 – Lifting of restrictions on previous liquor licenses.

**MOTION:** Selectman Teitelbaum moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #9 – Amend Street Numbering by-law

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #10 Junk by-law

(the board will wait until after the hearing)

Article #11 – Land acquisition – Fearing Hill West

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**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #12 – Amendment to Charter

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #13 – Westfield

(no vote was taken, Mr. Bowen stated that this involves a review)

Article #14 – Town Clerk

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #15 – Waterways Account Transfer

**MOTION:** Selectman Teitelbaum moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #16 Harbor Services

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #17 – Title V Septic Program

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #18 – Code Enforcement by-law

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 3-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)**

Article 19 – CPC – Return unused funds from completed projects

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #20 – CPC – Wareham Historical Society Old District School #6

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 3-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)**

Article #21 – CPC – Bryant Farm Walking Trail

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article for the sum of \$60,000. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #22 – CPC – Onset Bay Project – Wickets Island Purchase

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action striking out and/or the Conservation Commission. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

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**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #23 – CPC – Swifts Beach Engineering Plan

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article for the sum of \$11,000. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Article #24 – Recycling

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved unfavorable action on this article. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 3-1-0 (Selectman Teitelbaum opposed)**

Article #25 - Wetlands by-law

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 3-1-0 (Selectman Slavin opposed)**

Article #26 – Partial Roof & Boiler Replacement

(no vote was taken on this article)

Article #27 – McKinney Vento

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved favorable action on this article. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Articles #28 - #33 were not voted on

- d. Continued discussion and possible vote on Town meeting warrant articles.
- e. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

The Church of the Good Shepherd would like permission to place signs at the Narrows Bridge and also place various signs around town.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to approve the request to place signs on Town property for a rummage sale on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and the signs are to be removed within 24 hours after the event. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

Ms. Smith would like permission to place signs on Town property for the Grumpy 5K walk/run which will be held on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to approve the request to place signs on Town property for the Grumpy 5K walk/run to be held on November 7<sup>th</sup> and the signs to be removed within 24 hours after the event. Selectman Slavin seconded.

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Sullivan stated that that Mr. Ethier and Lt. Walcek were keeping track of Tropical storm Joaquin and has been on conference calls with MEMA. He stated that the Multi Service Center would be open as a warming center should flooding occur.

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Mr. Sullivan provided the Board of Selectmen with an expenditure report. The Town has applied for a grant through SRPEDD in the amount of \$97,500 for a site assessment on Tremont Nail.

**10. LIAISON REPORTS/INITIATIVE REPORTS**

Selectman Slavin stated that the SRPEDD Director has retired and he is on the search committee to find a replacement.

The Planning Board met last night and Bay Pointe is scheduled at their October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Don't Trash Wareham is scheduling a cleanup at Onset Beach however, with the rainy weather expected this weekend it will most likely have a rain date scheduled.

Selectman Whiteside stated that with the potential hurricane coming up the coast if you have elderly neighbors, please check on them and check if they need help with bringing in their lawn furniture.

**11. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes of September 8, 2015.

**MOTION:** Selectman Whiteside moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 8, 2015. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

**VOTE: 3-0-1 (Selectman Slavin abstained)**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)**

**13. 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:   
*Judith Whiteside, Clerk*

Date Signed: 10-13-15  
Date sent to the Town Clerk: 10-26-15

Attachment 9-29-15  
meeting minutes

Date: September 28, 2015

To: Residents of Wareham, Massachusetts

Board of Selectmen, Wareham, Massachusetts:

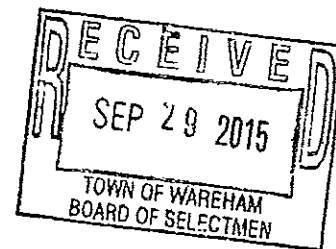
Patrick G. Tropeano, Chairman

Judith Whiteside, Clerk

✓ Stephen Holmes

Alan M. Slaven

Peter Teitelbaum



David Menard  
Director of Municipal Maintenance  
Wareham, MA

From: Susan Noonan (SN)  
11 West Central Avenue  
Onset, Massachusetts

RE: Streetlight outages in the Shell Point neighborhood section of Onset

On the evening of September 23, 2015, 34 streetlights were not working on West Central Avenue and South Boulevard in the Onset area of Wareham. Notably, eight lights in a row were dark on South Boulevard, long celebrated as a necklace of light around Onset Bay. On West Central Avenue, streetlights were dark at intersections of side streets and in front of houses that are now vacant as the summer owners and renters depart.

This is a serious threat to the health and welfare of our neighborhood. The streetlights on Shell Point need to be repaired or replaced as necessary in order to insure the continued safety and wellbeing of seasonal as well as year round residents who call this peninsula of land home. The lack of light encourages criminal behaviors such as burglary, assault, and illegal drug transactions. The darkness offers nocturnal animals the opportunity to venture into public areas to be potentially struck by cars, to maul or kill domestic animals, or to bring diseases back into area households via contact with both humans and pets.

I respectfully request that the Board of Selectmen, in conjunction with the resources available at the Municipal Maintenance Department, immediately address the above concerns.