Date: February 3, 2014

Date Minutes Approved: February 24, 2014

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES**

Present: David J. Madigan, Chair; Ted Flynn, Vice Chair; Shawn Dahlen, Clerk

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Rene' Read, Town Manager; John Madden, Finance Director; Susan Kelley, Executive Assistant

Others present for this meeting were: Town Counsel Art Kreiger, Anderson & Kreiger; Kevin Batt, Anderson & Kreiger; Friend Weiler, Moderator

In addition to the posted business for the consideration by the Board of Selectmen, the meeting was also posted as a joint meeting with the following Boards and Committees for a discussion pertaining to the 2014 Annual and Special Town Meetings:

- Finance Committee
- Fiscal Advisory Committee
- Personnel Board
- School Committee
- Community Preservation Committee
- Planning Board
- Duxbury Affordable Housing Trust

### **CONVENED IN OPEN SESSION –**

The meeting was convened at 7:0 PM in the Ellison Room at the Council on Aging, 10 Mayflower Street, Duxbury.

Upon convening the meeting, Mr. Madigan announced that any boards or committees with a quorum present should also come to order. The only committee with a quorum present was the Finance Committee; Chair Betsy Sullivan called their meeting to order.

**OPEN FORUM** – No items were brought forward for discussion

Others present for the following item of business: Don Beers, Harbormaster.

## **AQUACULTURE HEARING:**

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen open the advertised public hearing regarding the aquaculture lease renewal of John W. Brawley and the aquaculture lease transfer from Stephen Anderson to Peter K. Prime. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote: Mr. Madigan – aye; Mr. Flynn – aye; Mr. Dahlen – aye.

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Harbormaster Beers indicated that the Shellfish Advisory Committee had voted unanimously to approve both the lease renewal to Mr. Brawley and the lease transfer from Mr. Anderson to Mr. Prime.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the renewal of the Shellfish Aquaculture License #7904 issued to Mr. John W. Brawley, for the aquaculture lease located at Goose Flat, for a period of ten (10) years, contingent upon all required State, Federal and local permits and approvals, terms and conditions. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote: Mr. Madigan – aye; Mr. Flynn – aye; Mr. Dahlen – aye.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the transfer of Aquaculture License #7949-01 currently held by Mr. Stephen Anderson to Peter K. Prime of 150 Myrtle Street, Duxbury, MA for a period of three (3) years, contingent upon all required State, Federal and local permits and approvals, terms and conditions. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote: Mr. Madigan – aye; Mr. Flynn – aye; Mr. Dahlen – aye.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen close the advertised public hearing regarding the aquaculture lease renewal of John W. Brawley and the aquaculture lease transfer from Stephen Anderson to Peter K. Prime. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote: Mr. Madigan – aye; Mr. Flynn – aye; Mr. Dahlen – aye.

## ACCEPT DONATIONS TO DUXBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen accept, with gratitude, donations made by Mr. Arthur Johnson and Dr. Fairfield ad Mary Goodale to the Duxbury Fire Department. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote 3:0:0.

# **DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO ARTICLE 6 – CAPTIAL BUDGET**

The amount requested, and later voted, for the replacement of a Police Command vehicle did not include the installation of the Police Safety package (including emergency warning systems, dual batteries and other necessary equipment. The original amount approved was \$35,500. The revised amount for reconsideration is \$41,342.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve Article 6 as amended in the amount of \$1,683,716.00. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote 3:0:0.

#### DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO 2014 ANNUAL AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS

Mr. Madigan turned the floor over to Mr. Read.

Mr. Read stated that after the 2013 Town Meeting, a debriefing session was held to discuss possible modifications to the town meeting process to improve the efficiency and reduce the length of future town meetings. Mr. Read reviewed Town Counsel's suggested modifications and stated the status of each and indicated the expected impact/benefit on Town Meeting. The only modification that will not be implemented prior to the 2014 meeting is rolling the Special Town meeting articles into

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the Annual Town meeting reducing the Special Town Meeting to a repository for late arriving articles. This will be strongly considered for 2015.

There was continued discussion on the logistics of the amendment process, reading of the motions and budgets and the projection of the motions on the large screen.

# **MINUTES**

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the Open Session minutes of January 27, 2014 as drafted. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote 3:0:0

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Dahlen stated the next Selectmen's meeting will be held February 10, 2014

Mr. Madigan thanked the board and committee members for attending and Mr. Read for the work he had done on the warrants and Town Meeting process and procedures.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:40 PM, Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board adjourn. Second by Mr. Flynn. Vote 3:0:0.

#### LIST OF DOCUMENTS

- 1. Aquaculture Hearing Package including Lease Renewal for John Brawley and Lease Transfer from Stephen Anderson to Peter K. Prime
- 2. Copies of donations to Duxbury Fire Department
- 3. Amendment to Article 6 Capital Budget: Revised budget, Capital Improvement Project Request form for new vehicle, quote for options and accessories, quote for emergency equipment package
- 4. Town Meeting Handouts: 2014 Town Meeting Modifications; DRAFT ATM warrant dated January 28, 2014; Memo from Anderson & Kreiger dated March 25, 2013 re: Potential Modifications for 2014 Town Meeting Procedure; Article Amendment form
- 5. Selectmen's Minutes January 27, 2014, DRAFT