

**MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2017**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Dickerson, Chairman
Stephen Gonsalves
Norman Hills

ALSO PRESENT: Allen Decker
Christina Bascom
Casey Quirk
Mike DeCicco, Standard Times
Tanner Harding, Sippican Week
Jean Perry, Wanderer
Paul Dawson, Town Administrator
Debra Paiva, secretary
Others who did not sign in

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Town House conference room. Mr. Dickerson announced that the meeting would be video recorded and televised by ORCTV and audio recorded by Town of Marion staff.

Mr. Dickerson announced the recent passing of residents Lucy Napoli and Bill Clafin.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES –
June 6, 2017**

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the minutes. VOTE: 3-0-0

ACTION ITEMS

Letter from Congregational Church regarding street closure for annual summer fair (07/29/17)

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Hills to approve the request. VOTE: 3-0-0

Formation of committee – Stewards of Community Open Space

It was agreed that this would be tabled to the July 11 meeting.

Request for appointment to ZBA – Louise Nadler

Request for appointment to ZBA – David Bramley

Applications for appointment were reviewed as well as an email indicating that the members of the ZBA recommend the appointments.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to appoint Louise Nadler and David Bramley to the Zoning Board of Appeals as alternate members. VOTE: 3-0-0

Memo from Marine Resources Commission (MRC) regarding commission structure

A memo from the MRC requesting a change in its structure was reviewed and discussed. The requested changes are proposed:

- The addition of an alternate member who would participate in meeting discussions and activities
- The alternate member would fill in for a regular member in the event of an absence
- When filling in for a regular member, the alternate member would have full voting privileges
- Should a vacancy on the commission occur the alternate member would automatically fill that vacancy and the commission would seek a new alternate member.

After discussion, it was agreed that appointment changes from alternate to full member would require selectmen approval and would not be automatic.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves that the selectmen accept the proposal with the exception of the final change that would allow the alternate member to automatically fill a vacancy.
VOTE: 3-0-0

Reappointments to Boards & Committees

A list dated June 20, 2017 consisting of individuals seeking reappointment to Boards, Commissions, and positions was reviewed.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the list as presented. VOTE: 3-0-0

APPOINTMENTS

7:05 p.m. Public Hearing (continued) – Aquaculture permit application – Shea Doonan

The public hearing notice was read into the record. Mr. Doonan has requested that his hearing be continued to a date in September.

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Hills to continue the hearing to September 19, 2017 at 7:05 p.m. VOTE: 3-0-0

ACTION ITEMS

Request for appointment to Marion Cultural Council – Suzanne Bellanger

The request for appointment and also the chairman recommendation that the appointment be made were reviewed and briefly discussed.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to appoint the applicant. VOTE: 3-0-0

Harbormaster request regarding boat trailer parking

A memo from the Harbormaster requesting selectmen approval to allow boat trailer parking on the grassy area at the north end of the Community Center parking lot was reviewed and briefly discussed. No overnight parking would be allowed and the area would be used for parking of boat trailers with valid stickers.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the request. VOTE: 3-0-0

Email from Susannah Davis requesting placement of benches at Sprague's Cove

Ms. Davis is requesting that the Town place some benches at the Sprague's Cove retention pond. Mr. Dawson has been informed by the Facilities Manager that the cost to purchase two benches would be approximately \$1000. It was agreed that the Conservation Commission should be consulted.

One day alcohol license – Sippican Tennis Club – cocktail party 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. – July 29, 2017

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to grant the license. VOTE: 3-0-0

Approval of Tata & Howard Agreement for Engineering Design Services – County Road Water Main and Meter Vault Installation, Interconnection with the Wareham Fire District Water Department

Mr. Dawson explained that the funds for the agreement (engineering the design of the County Road Water Main and Meter Vault Installation) were approved at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting, the value of the agreement is not to exceed \$75,000, and all documents prepared for the contract will be the property of the Town.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to approve the contract. VOTE: 3-0-0

Discussion regarding Little Free Library donation

Locations for two donated Little Free Libraries were discussed. It was agreed to authorize Mr. Hills and Library Director Libby O’Neill to discuss and determine the best locations; further action by the Board will not be required.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to authorize Mr. Hills to suggest locations to Ms. O’Neill. VOTE: 3-0-0

One day all alcohol license – Marion Social Club, chicken barbecue 12 noon – 4:00 p.m. (07/09/17)

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to approve. VOTE: 3-0-0

Contract award – Insituform Technologies, LLC – I&I Removal Program – Area CR4A1

Mr. Dawson explained to the Board that the bid opening was conducted on June 1 and two bids were received. He recommended that the Board award the contract tonight to Insituform and to authorize him to execute the contract on the Town’s behalf when all required paperwork (bond, signed contract, insurance binders) has been received.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the contract as presented. VOTE: 3-0-0

Contract award – CDM Smith – Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades

Mr. Dawson explained that the upgrades were approved at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting, are associated with the age of the equipment, and were necessary regardless of the NPDES permit.

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to accept the contract as presented. VOTE: 3-0-0

Contract award – CDM Smith – Amendment #1 to NPDES negotiations & support

Mr. Dawson explained that the contract is an amendment to an existing contract dated October 18, 2016 and is for an amount not to exceed \$74,500.

As with the other contracts, the request is for the selectmen to approve the contract and authorize Mr. Dawson to execute the contract on behalf of the Town of Marion.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the contract as presented and authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town of Marion. VOTE: 3-0-0

APPOINTMENT

7:35 p.m. – Alan Decker – Discussion regarding Branch Brook Conservation Restriction

Alan Decker of the Buzzards Bay Coalition was present. The information provided by Mr. Decker included the following:

- At the 2017 Annual Town Meeting \$20,000 in Community Preservation Act funds were approved to acquire 165 acres for aquifer protection purposes.

- The land is located in the towns of Rochester and Mattapoisett.
- The acquisition of the land is funded by a State Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant as well.
- The Buzzards Bay Coalition and Towns of Mattapoisett and Fairhaven would be the co-holders of the Conservation Restriction
- The land will be open to the public for passive recreational uses
- The proposed Conservation Restriction was reviewed.

Mr. Dickerson noted on page 5 that cutting of vegetation was prohibited and asked if it would impact the Town's ability to place 4 wells on the property; he was told no.

Mr. Hills noted that the Town of Marion would be responsible for maintenance and upkeep costs.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the Conservation Restriction. VOTE: 3-0-0

7:45 p.m. – Music Hall Advisory Committee – Discussion regarding proposed revised fees and guidelines for the Music Hall

Committee members Christina Bascom and Casey Quirk were present to discuss revised fees and guidelines for the Music Hall.

Mr. Gonsalves voiced concern for the costs associated with Friday and Saturday private events; Mrs. Quirk explained that the facility could be rented on Sundays for much less money.

Mrs. Bascom asked if the Music Hall could be advertised on the websites of other businesses; Mr. Dawson said he could not think of why it could not.

Moved by Mr. Hills and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves to accept the revised fees and guidelines effective September 1, 2017. VOTE: 3-0-0

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Discussion – Sprague's Cove mitigation

The selectmen reviewed correspondence from Town Counsel indicating that an attempt to litigate the mitigation fees would be unsuccessful. Mr. Dawson requested authorization to submit payment of the \$33,539 fee.

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Hills to authorize the payment. VOTE: 3-0-0

Update – Grassi Bog remediation

Mr. Dawson announced that the work began today; the project is expected to be completed by the end of August.

MVP & Pre-disaster mitigation grants

Mr. Dawson announced that the Town was awarded the following:

- A \$20,000 grant through the Municipal Vulnerability Program
- A \$12,447 grant from FEMA to develop a Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Hills volunteered to help as much as necessary.

Surplus Fire Engine

Mr. Dawson informed the selectmen that an offer has been received to purchase the Town's surplus 1999 International E1 pumper engine for \$50,000; he recommended that the offer be accepted. A 10% broker fee will be assessed and the Town will net \$45,000.

Moved by Mr. Gonsalves and seconded by Mr. Hills to accept the bid as presented. VOTE: 3-0-0

Moved by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Mr. Gonsalves at 8:09 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for strategy related to contract negotiations with Union personnel, strategy related to contract negotiations with non-Union personnel, and strategy related to litigation. The Board will not enter back into regular session. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,



Norman A. Hills, Clerk

Date approved: July 11, 2017

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DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT MEETING – June 20, 2017

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Resignation from Marion Affordable Housing Trust – Mike Pierre
Letter from Office of the Governor announcing Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grant award
Copy of letter from Building Commissioner regarding 428 Wareham Street
Notice of DEP public hearing – acquisition of land for public water supply protection
Water/Sewer abatement request – 17 Bayberry Lane
Letter from Division of Marine Fisheries regarding Weweantic River shellfishing status
Letter from Division of Marine Fisheries regarding Sippican Inner Harbor shellfishing status
Copy of letter from Civil & Environmental Consultants to Mass. DEP regarding 44 Main Street
Memo from MOSAC regarding representatives to CPC and Stewards of Open Space

OTHER BOARDS

Meeting minutes – ZBA (04/25/17)
Meeting minutes – ZBA (04/27/17)
Meeting minutes – ZBA (05/11/17)
Meeting minutes – Upper Cape School Committee (05/04/17)