

~ PLYMOUTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN ~

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014

TOWN HALL, MAYFLOWER ROOM

The Selectmen held a meeting on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall in the Mayflower Room.

Present: Mathew J. Muratore, Chairman
Belinda A. Brewster, Vice Chairman
John T. Mahoney, Jr. [arrived at 6:05 p.m.]
Kenneth A. Tavares
Anthony F. Provenzano Jr.

Melissa Arrighi, Town Manager
Michael Galla, Assistant Town Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Muratore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Selectmen voted to enter an Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21, Paragraph 4, to discuss the deployment of security personnel or devices, and Paragraph 6, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, as an open meeting on these matters may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the body. By roll call: Tavares – yes, Brewster – yes, Provenzano – yes, and Muratore – yes.

Chairman Muratore noted that, following executive session, the Board would reconvene in open session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Chairman Muratore reconvened the meeting in open session at 7:05 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Massachusetts Municipal Open Checkbook Program – Town Manager Melissa Arrighi informed the Board that the Town's Finance Director, Lynne Barrett, has been looking into

the Massachusetts Community Innovation Challenge Grant, from which she would like to obtain funding for the Municipal Open Checkbook Program. The Open Checkbook Program, she explained, is an application through which cities and towns can provide online access to all of their municipal expenses. As part of the application process, Ms. Arrighi stated, the Board must consider a vote to support the Town's application for funding.

On a motion by Selectman Provenzano, seconded by Vice Chairman Brewster, the Board voted to authorize the Finance Director to pursue a Massachusetts Community Innovation Challenge Grant for the Municipal Open Checkbook Program. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

Radiological Response & Recovery Plan – Ms. Arrighi indicated that the Town's Emergency Management Director, Aaron Wallace, has been working with Senate President Therese Murray's office on the establishment of a Radiological Response & Recovery Plan. To pursue funding for the initiative, she said, Mr. Wallace requests that the Board consider issuing an official letter of support for the program to Senate President Murray.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Brewster, seconded by Selectman Provenzano, the Board voted to issue a letter of support for the creation and funding of a Radiological Response & Recovery Plan for the Town of Plymouth. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

Network of Open Space Friends / Hometown Clean-Up – Ms. Arrighi was pleased to announce that the Network of Open Space Friends has organized the 9th official "Hometown Clean-Up," scheduled for Saturday, May 3, 2014. There are over 60 teams involved in the town-wide litter clean-up, she noted. Ms. Arrighi advised citizens who would like to participate in the event to contact Patrick Farah in the Town's Planning Department.

Town Meeting / 1820 Courthouse Project – Ms. Arrighi noted that the Town's elected leaders, legislative body, and staff held a very successful Annual and Special Town Meeting on April 5, 2014. Now that Town Meeting is over, she explained, there is a great deal of follow-up work to do, particularly with regard to the 1820 Courthouse / Municipal Center Project. Ms. Arrighi indicated that the Building Committee will assume the primary responsibility for the project, but, as Town Manager, she would like to establish two internal working groups to look at the parking and visitor components for the new Town Hall. In the meantime, she said, the Building Committee has begun the search for an Owners Project Manager for the project.

Commendation for Meritorious Action – Ms. Arrighi informed the Board that the Plymouth Fire Department recently presented its Battalion Chief, Kevin Hurley, with a Commendation for Meritorious Action. While in New Hampshire, she explained, Mr. Hurley assisted with the successful resuscitation of a child who suffered a seizure while swimming in a pool. Ms. Arrighi noted the Town's pride in recognizing the quick and heroic response that Battalion Chief Hurley displayed while off-duty.

Final Order of Conditions for Long Beach – In response to an inquiry from Selectman Mahoney regarding the Order of Conditions for Plymouth Long Beach, Ms. Arrighi

indicated that David Gould, Director of Marine & Environmental Affairs, is working with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Affairs (“DEP”) on changes to the Order. Selectman Mahoney asked if Mr. Gould could provide an update for the Board, once DEP issues a decision.

LICENSES

ONE DAY WINE AND MALT LIQUOR LICENSE*

On a motion by Selectman Provenzano, seconded by Selectman Tavares, the Board voted to grant a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License to the following applicant, for the event detailed, below. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

- ❖ **Catherine Baird / Fred Astaire Dance Studio** (9 Aldrin Road) requested a One Day Wine & Malt Liquor License for a dance show to be held from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on June 1, 2014 at Memorial Hall. Liquor liability will be in place before the license is released.

*One day liquor licenses shall automatically cover the day before and the day after the event for the purpose of proper delivery, storage and disposal of alcoholic beverages purchased.

ONE DAY ALL ALCOHOL LIQUOR LICENSE*

(*One day liquor licenses shall automatically cover the day before and the day after the event for the purpose of proper delivery, storage and disposal of alcoholic beverages purchased.)

On a motion by Selectman Provenzano, seconded by Selectman Tavares, the Board voted to grant a One Day All Alcohol Liquor License to the following applicant, for the event detailed, below. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

- ❖ **Susan Wentworth / Magical Moon Foundation** (PO Box 83, Marshfield Hills, MA) requested a One Day All Alcohol Liquor License for a fundraiser to be held from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on May 3rd, 2014 at Memorial Hall. Liquor liability will be in place before the license is released.

On a motion by Selectman Tavares, seconded by Selectman Provenzano, the Board voted to grant a One Day All Alcohol Liquor License to the following applicant, for the event detailed, below. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

- ❖ **Patrick Browne / Pilgrim Hall Museum** (75 Court Street, Plymouth) requested a One Day All Alcohol Liquor License for a civil war exhibit reception to be held at the museum from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 17th, 2014. Liquor liability will be in place before the license is released.

VEHICLE FOR HIRE OPERATOR (NEW)

On a motion by Selectman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Tavares, the Board voted to grant a Vehicle for Hire Operator License to the following applicant. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

❖ **Plimoth Transportation Inc d/b/a Mayflower Taxi** (166 Gunner's Exchange Road):

- David McQuade, 42 Filmore Street, Plymouth

Issuance of the above license is subject to the applicant's CORI Background Check and driving record.

FORTUNE TELLING (NEW)

On a motion by Selectman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Tavares, the Board voted to grant a Fortune Telling License to the following applicant. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

❖ **Psychic Readings by Tammy**, 94 Water Street, Tammy Mitchell, Owner

Background check shows no basis for denial.

2014 SEASONAL RENEWAL CERTIFICATION FOR ABCC

Each year, the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission ("ABCC") requests a list of Seasonal Liquor License that have been disapproved or not submitted for 2014 seasonal renewal. The Board acknowledged that there are currently no licenses that fall under this category.

LICENSES IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PUBLIC HEARING

❖ On a motion by Selectman Provenzano, seconded by Selectman Tavares, the Board voted to grant the following licenses to RAMA Associates LLC d/b/a Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street, in conjunction with the establishment's request for the Transfer of Annual All Alcohol Innholder License:

- Comprehensive Entertainment – radio, TV, live entertainment, dancing
- Common Victualler
- Extension of Hours – 1:00 a.m.
- Early Sunday Sales – 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday Entertainment – Live entertainment

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

Meeting Minutes – The Board approved the minutes of the February 25, 2014 Selectmen's meeting.

Town Meeting Warrant – The Board will approve the warrant for the May 2014 Town Election.

Amendment to Employment Contract – The Board amended the Employment Contract of the Town Manager by making the following adjustments: Remove the language that reads, “The annual COLA is to be determined by majority vote of the Board of Selectmen and added to these annual rates”; apply Cost of Living Adjustments of 1.5%, 1.5%, and 1% for July 1st of each year of the contract, add language that provides that the Town Manager may, once per calendar year prior to May 15th, buyback up to 10 days/year from her Long Term Illness Account.

Exclusive Vending Rights for Plimoth Plantation – The Board granted Exclusive Vending Rights to Plimoth Plantation for the planned events and activities associated with the first annual Herring Run Festival, to be held on April 25 and 26, 2014 at the Plimoth Grist Mill and Jenney Pond Park.

Exclusive Vending Rights for July 4 Plymouth, Inc. – The Board granted Exclusive Vending Rights to July 4, Plymouth, Inc. for the 2014 July 4th parade and fireworks events which will take place along the specified parade route and on the waterfront.

MassDOT Grant Assurances for Airport Operations Vehicle – The Board approved the MassDOT Grant Assurances for the Plymouth Municipal Airport’s purchase of an Operations Vehicle.

MassDOT Grant Assurances for Airport Runway Expansion – The Board approved the MassDOT Grant Assurances for the Plymouth Municipal Airport’s acquisition of property for the mitigation of the expansion of Runway 15-33.

Acceptance of Donation of Long Beach Guard Shack – The Board voted to accept a donation of labor and materials totaling \$2,350 for the construction of the Plymouth Long Beach Guard shack from George Nielsen. On behalf of the Board, Vice Chairman Brewster publicly thanked Mr. Nielsen for his generosity.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Mitchell of 28 Russell Street informed the Board that he and his neighbor, Nina Peters, would be willing to entertain offers from the Town on their respective properties. Mr. Mitchell, whose property abuts the County Commissioners’ Building (adjacent to the 1820 Courthouse), stated that he and his neighbor do not want to experience the disruption that will likely be caused during the construction of the 1820 Courthouse / Municipal Center Project.

PUBLIC HEARING: STORAGE OF FLAMMABLES/COMBUSTIBLES

Chairman Muratore opened a public hearing to consider the application from the Plymouth Public School Department for a license to store 6,000 gallons of flammable and combustible liquid—three (3) 2,000-gallon above-ground storage tanks of LP gas—at Federal Furnace Elementary School, 860 Federal Furnace Road. Prior to commencing the hearing, Chairman Muratore affirmed that notice of the hearing was given to the public in accordance with Chapter 148 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Chris Hastings, Energy Officer for the School Department, appeared before the Board to provide any necessary information related to the project. The Selectmen offered no questions.

Chairman Muratore opened the hearing to public comment.

Frederick Wood, an owner of property behind Federal Furnace Elementary School, questioned the magnitude of storing 6,000 gallons of flammable gas at the site. He asked if the school could make do with less.

Mr. Hastings responded that the decision to expand the storage capacity to 6,000-gallons was based upon the system installed at Indian Brook Elementary School. During the winter, he explained, Indian Brook's 6,000-gallon capacity system requires three fill-ups per month in the winter. To support the similar system at Federal Furnace, Mr. Hastings said, the 6,000-gallon capacity was deemed appropriate.

William Brown of Federal Furnace Road stated that he is concerned about the safety of storing 6,000 gallons of combustible gas adjacent to an elementary school. There is no fire station nearby to the school, he noted.

Mr. Hastings informed the Board that the quality and configuration of the storage tanks proposed for Federal Furnace Elementary School—designed by the consulting firm RDK—will be similar to the system that has existed without incident at Indian Brook for a number of years.

Selectman Mahoney inquired if the heating systems at Indian Brook and Federal Furnace elementary schools will, at some point, be converted to natural gas. Mr. Hastings explained that the recently-upgraded heating systems at the schools were constructed in a manner that would easily allow the future conversion of the systems from propane to natural gas. NSTAR Gas, however, has not confirmed whether or when it will bring natural gas service to the properties, Mr. Hastings noted.

William Brown stated his observation that, for safety and security reasons, the School Department should devote its attention to compelling NSTAR to install natural gas service to the schools, rather than pursue the increase of its above-ground propane storage.

Mr. Hastings explained that the Schools will pursue every opportunity to convert the systems at Indian Brook and Federal Furnace elementary schools to natural gas, but he reiterated that such progress cannot be made until NSTAR makes a commitment to bring the service to both locations.

At the close of the hearing, Selectman Mahoney made a motion to approve the Plymouth Public School Department's request for a License to Store Flammables and Combustibles at 860 Federal Furnace Road, as requested within the license application (three 2,000-gallon above-ground storage tanks of LP gas). Selectman Provenzano seconded the motion, and the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING: TRANSFER OF ANNUAL INNHOLDER LICENSE

Chairman Muratore opened a public hearing to consider the application for the Transfer of an Annual Innholder License from 180 Water Street Corporation D/B/A Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street, Edward Goodwin Jr. as Manager to RAMA Associates LLC d/b/a Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street, Peter Ekberg as Manager. Prior to commencing the hearing, Chairman Muratore read a description of the premises and affirmed that notice of the hearing was given to the public in accordance with Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Attorney Susan Craighead addressed the Board regarding the request for a transfer of license. Attorney Craighead explained that her client, 180 Water Street Corporation, was the mortgage holder on the property. Following some financial problems, she said, the business went into receivership. Attorney Craighead indicated that RAMA Associates has now assumed management of the property, and 180 Water Street Corporation is working with the management company to stabilize the hotel's operations and return the property to a position where it is an asset to the community. During this transitional period in the operations of the hotel, she noted, the liquor license must be transferred to the management company.

Selectman Tavares stated that the Radisson Hotel has an outstanding staff of employees who deserve credit for maintaining operations at the hotel under trying conditions. Selectman Tavares, noting the importance of the hotel to Plymouth's waterfront, wished the hotel's owners much success in remarketing the establishment.

Chairman Muratore opened the hearing to public comment. No citizens came forth, and, thus, Chairman Muratore closed the hearing to await a motion of the Board.

On a motion by Selectman Tavares, seconded by Vice Chairman Brewster, the Board voted to approve the Transfer of an Annual Innholder License from 180 Water Street Corporation D/B/A Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street to RAMA Associates LLC d/b/a Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

UPDATE FROM ENTERGY / PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION

Joseph Lynch, Manager of Licensing for Entergy Nuclear Operations, provided the Board with a status update upon, and security overview of, Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (“PNPS”).

Prior to commencing his PowerPoint presentation regarding the status update and security overview, Mr. Lynch discussed Entergy’s evaluation of the effects of global warming on rising sea levels, as the information pertains to the geographic situation of the Interim Spent Fuel Storage Installation (“ISFSI”) at PNPS. In the past 100 years, he said, sea levels in Boston have risen only seven inches. Considering this data, Mr. Lynch explained, Entergy does not believe that a tidal surge would affect the dry casks stored within the ISFSI. The casks, themselves, are designed to be protected from flooding, he noted.

In response to questions from Selectman Mahoney, Mr. Lynch indicated that the storage pad (a.k.a. ISFSI) is situated ten to thirteen feet above the high tide mark. The storage casks, he reiterated, are tested to ensure that their integrity is not compromised during an unnatural event.

Referencing a question that was posed during Entergy’s last visit before the Selectmen, Mr. Lynch stated that Entergy would have full ownership and responsibility for the storage of PNPS’ spent fuel after the plant ceases operations, until the United States Department of Energy assumes ownership/responsibility. With regard to the question of whether Entergy has a decommissioning plan for PNPS, Mr. Lynch indicated that the company is not required to have such a plan in place until an actual decision is made to decommission the facility. At that point, he said, the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (“NRC”) will require that a decommissioning plan be finalized within a certain period of time. While nuclear facility operators are not required to have a decommissioning plan prior to decommissioning, Mr. Lynch reported, all operators must have a decommissioning fund.

Mr. Lynch began his PowerPoint presentation with a brief update on the status of PNPS. The plant is currently operating at 100% power, he reported, generating 685 net megawatts of electricity. Following the failure of a pole in Carver along one of the power lines (#355) that supply the facility, PNPS has operated continuously for 129 days. Mr. Lynch explained that NRC’s rating of the plant’s risk status at a “green” level is related to the failure of Line #355. As such, he said, PNPS will hold a scheduled shutdown of the facility while NSTAR repairs the line. Once the line is repaired, Mr. Lynch indicated, Entergy anticipates that the risk status of the plant will be upgraded.

Mr. Lynch displayed overview maps and computer-generated renderings of PNPS to illustrate the security measures in place at the facility. At every plant in the nation, he explained, there are three standardized security zones: the Owner Controlled Area, the Protected Area, and Vital Area. The Vital Area, which is located within the center of the facility around the reactor and turbine, is given the highest level of security. Badge-access, metal, x-ray, and explosives detection equipment is used to prevent unwarranted or potentially hostile access to the various security zones and restricted areas within PNPS.

Mr. Lynch provided a general description of the rigorously-trained and accredited security force that monitors the station, as well as the extent of security camera coverage throughout the facility and its surrounding perimeter. PNPS' security staff, he said, has a very good working relationship with all local law enforcement groups and the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency ("MEMA"), with which Entergy conducts practice drills on a regular basis. Mr. Lynch noted that the NRC conducts routine inspections and reviews of Entergy's security procedures, as well as force-on-force security drills with PNPS' security staff every three years, to ensure that the facility is adequately protected and prepared in the event of an emergency. Entergy's security staff at PNPS, he noted, has scored excellent ratings in all of the NRC's practice drills.

At the close Mr. Lynch's presentation, Chairman Muratore opened the discussion to public comment.

Rich Rothstein, who serves as the chairman of Plymouth's Nuclear Matters Committee ("NMC"), asked questions about PNPS' ISFSI and whether it is situated within the facility's Owner Controlled Area. Mr. Lynch confirmed that the ISFSI is located within the fenced area of the site in the Owner Controlled Area, and it is monitored by security, as required.

Pine Dubois from Kingston questioned Mr. Lynch regarding Entergy's assessment of the effects of global warming on rising sea levels, relative to the physical location of the ISFSI at PNPS. Ms. Dubois offered her estimation that sea levels have risen more than seven inches in the past 100 years, inspiring concern that the location of the storage pad at PNPS is too close to the ocean to adequately shield the spent fuel casks from large-magnitude storms and tidal surges. Entergy, she said, should be required to conduct a more in-depth analysis of the affect of climate change on sea level and surge elevation. Ms. Dubois stated her opinion that the location of the storage pad (ISFSI) should be moved back further from the ocean. With regard to the ownership of the spent nuclear waste, Ms. Dubois questioned how the responsibility for the spent nuclear waste would be handled in the event that Entergy, as an LLC, files for bankruptcy.

Mr. Lynch noted that he was not prepared to speak about the specifics of the location and design of the storage pad (ISFSI). He encouraged the Selectmen to tour the facility to see the location of the storage pad, first-hand, to view its distance and elevation from the coastline.

Chairman Muratore asked Mr. Lynch if Entergy has funds set aside to maintain security at PNPS, in the event that the facility ceases operations. Mr. Lynch could not offer specifics, but he reiterated that Entergy owns the responsibility of maintaining the facility, following its closure.

Mr. Rothstein offered his observation that, as a retired meteorologist, the predicted rise of the sea level in the next 100 years is 'in inches,' not feet. There are dueling theories on this matter, however, as to how quickly—or how slowly—sea level rise will occur. In the

event that the sea rises to a point where the location of the storage pad creates a concern, Mr. Rothstein said, storage pads can be moved away from the ocean, just like lighthouses. It is his hope, however, that the federal government will have established its promised repository by that time.

Vice Chairman Brewster asked Mr. Lynch to request that Entergy provide its ISFSI expert for the next presentation to the Selectmen, so that a more thorough discussion on the location of the storage pad can occur. She questioned why Entergy would not use an abundance of caution—even if it is, ultimately, not necessary—to assuage concerns about the potential effect of storm surges on the safety of the storage area.

Selectman Mahoney agreed with Vice Chairman Brewster, noting that it would be worthwhile to simply situate the storage pad at a higher elevation and further distance from the ocean, in the interest of extra caution. Selectman Mahoney indicated that he would prefer to have an unbiased expert speak on this matter, rather than a paid employee of Entergy.

Mr. Lynch responded that, based on his 30 years of experience as an engineer in the nuclear industry, such storage installations are typically “over-designed” for safety.

Ms. DuBois reiterated that her concern pertains to Entergy’s understanding of the behavior and science of the sea, as it relates to the location—not the design—of the storage pad. It is important to keep in mind, she said, that the current location of the storage pad for PNPS’ spent nuclear waste sits 30 feet away from an eroding coastal bank.

At the close of discussion, Chairman Muratore issued a request that Entergy’s officials return for another presentation before the Selectmen in June.

PUBLIC HEARING: FY2015 WATER, SEWER, & SOLID WASTE RATES

Chairman Muratore indicated that the hearing to consider water, sewer, and solid waste rates for Fiscal Year 2015 would be continued to the Selectmen’s meeting of April 29, 2014.

UNION STREET: PARKING IMPROVEMENTS & ENFORCEMENT

Tiffany Park, Assistant to the Board of Selectmen and representative of the Town Manager’s office on the Parking & Traffic Task Force (“PTTF”), provided a presentation on proposed plans to improve travel conditions and enhance parking enforcement on Union Street.

Ms. Park presented an overview of the parking and travel issues pertaining to Union Street. Classified as a public way back as far as 1896, she said, Union Street is a frequently-used roadway of widely varying widths. The most recent parking restrictions for the street were

last formalized within the *Town of Plymouth 1954 Traffic Rules & Orders*. Ms. Park explained that the misshapen character of Union Street and inconsistent enforcement of the street's parking regulations have resulted in undefined—and, in some cases, unsafe—parking patterns.

Ms. Park indicated that the PTTF began its review of parking issues on Union Street, following a complaint that was issued to the Selectmen's Office. She utilized an aerial map to describe the existing parking regulations on Union Street and illustrate where illegal and undefined parking is currently occurring. Because of an area along the northern side of the street where the roadway corridor is unusually wide, she explained, a head-in pattern of parking has existed for many years. In recent years, however, the pattern of head-in parking has extended outward from this particular area where the width of the travel corridor cannot accommodate such parking, resulting in some vehicles being parked perpendicularly into the travel lane.

Following its review of this issue, Ms. Park reported, the PTTF devised a set of recommended changes for Union Street:

- Define the boundary of a 22' travel corridor on the north side of the street
- Define the parallel parking stalls in the existing allowed parking areas on the south side
- Define the outer boundary of the existing allowed area on the north side
- Enforce existing No Parking Regulations and Fire Hydrant Regulations
- Prohibit parking within / extending into the roadway travel corridor

Ms. Park informed the Board that ParkPlymouth, under the direction of the Plymouth Growth & Development Corporation ("PGDC"), will stripe the markings on the street and begin renewed enforcement of the defined parking regulations. Once the roadway corridor is defined, she noted, head-in parking will continue to be allowed in permitted areas, but any vehicle that is observed to be parked beyond the roadway edge will be ticketed.

Ms. Park reported that she and Transportation Engineer James Downey, along with John Burke of ParkPlymouth/PGDC, held a neighborhood meeting on behalf of the PTTF on April 10th to present the changes proposed for Union Street. The meeting was well-attended, she said, with representation from residential homeowners, business owners, and Nathaniel Morton Elementary School. Ms. Park provided a review of the general comments and concerns brought forth by those in attendance at the meeting:

Concerns Raised by Union Street Stakeholders:

- There are too many competing interests for parking amongst Union Street stakeholders
- Year-round parking challenges are exacerbated by the seasonal influx of visitors
- Heavy traffic, varying road widths, and poor sight lines create safety issues

Solutions / Additions / Modifications Offered by Union Street Stakeholders:

- Reserve spaces for residents or establish resident permit parking program
- Delineate roadway corridor and center line

- Reduce length of existing no parking zone on northern side to allow for parallel spaces
- Eliminate parking space on south side of street at intersection with Water Street
- Continue parking delineation eastward to prohibit driveway encroachment

Ms. Park explained that she and Mr. Downey would like the opportunity to bring the feedback provided during the neighborhood meeting back to the PTTF for further analysis, to determine if any modifications offered by the stakeholders can be incorporated into the proposed plan. The PTTF, she said, will bring a final recommendation before the Selectmen for approval.

Selectman Tavares recommended that additional consideration be given to the question of allowing parking in the current prohibited zone along the northern side of the street. There were two accidents involving pedestrians—one in which a pedestrian was pinned against the marina building—which cause him to be concerned about the allowance of parking in this area. Ms. Park assured him that this concern would be brought back to the PTTF.

Selectman Provenzano questioned why the PTTF would not consider defining parking stalls in the area where there is enough roadway width to accommodate head-in parking. Ms. Park noted that the marking of stalls could reduce the overall potential for parking in that area, but she indicated that she would bring Selectman Provenzano's recommendation back to the PTTF.

OLD BUSINESS / LETTERS / NEW BUSINESS

Water Street Sewer Interceptor Project – Selectman Tavares requested an update/report on the Water Street Sewer Interceptor Project, including information on any challenges or cost overruns that the Department of Public Works has encountered during the undertaking. Ms. Arrighi indicated that she has provided some information pertaining to the Water Street project to the Board by e-mail.

Spire Center for Performing Arts – Selectman Tavares noted that he attended the grand opening of the Spire Center for Performing Arts on Friday, April 11, 2014. He congratulated the members of the Greater Plymouth Performing Arts Center for bringing this new venue for the performing arts to Plymouth.

Stephens Field Project – Selectman Mahoney inquired about the status of demolition work at the former DPW garage adjacent to Stephens Field. Ms. Arrighi indicated that, once the demolition and remediation work is complete, staff will return to its practice of parking Town vehicles in that lot.

Burial Hill Restoration Project – Selectman Mahoney requested an update on the Burial Hill Restoration Project. Ms. Arrighi responded that she would compile and provide that information to the Board.

White Horse Beach Parking Recommendations – Selectman Mahoney indicated that he attended the PTTF’s neighborhood meeting on Union Street, at which a noticeable contingent of members from the White Horse Beach (“WHB”) Parking Committee were in attendance. The contingent attended the meeting, he said, to ensure that parking issues and concerns are being treated equitably throughout the entire town. There is a perception, Selectman Mahoney explained, that the Town is not making a sufficient effort to address the recommendations issued by the WHB Parking Committee.

Assistant Town Manager Michael Galla provided the Board with an update on the Town’s efforts to address the recommendations issued by the WHB Parking Committee. Due to limited funding at this time, he explained, the Town is going to focus on parking recommendations for a section of Taylor Avenue, between Short Street and Hilltop Avenue. Consistent with the committee’s recommendations, the Town will consider the allowance of parking on the southern side of Taylor Avenue, between Short and Hilltop. Once the PTTF has had an opportunity to review the proposal, Mr. Galla reported, the parking changes for Taylor Avenue will be brought forth to the Selectmen on May 13, 2014 for final approval. If approved, the DPW will install parking signage, to delineate the allowed areas and prevent any parking that might occur too close to driveways or street entrances. Mr. Galla noted that he will meet with the Police Chief to discuss enforcement of the new parking regulations, and he will continue working with the Town’s Transportation Engineer, James Downey, on subsequent phases of the parking recommendations issued by the WHB Parking Committee.

Selectman Mahoney asked that the Assistant Town manager arrange a site visit to Taylor Avenue, to observe the proposed changes to parking restrictions on Taylor Avenue.

Guiding Principles – Chairman Muratore asked that the Town’s *Guiding Principles* for civil discourse and debate be framed and posted in all of the Town’s meeting rooms.

Forum on Substance Abuse – Chairman Muratore noted that the Board attended the April 1st forum held by State Representative Tom Calter to educate citizens about the issue of substance abuse on the South Shore. The forum was very well attended, he said, and the information provided was sobering. Chairman Muratore noted that the Plymouth Youth Development Collaborative will be working very closely with the Schools to ensure that this matter remains at the forefront of public concern.

Letter of Thanks from Boston Marathon One Fund – Chairman Muratore noted that, on the one year anniversary of the Boston Marathon bombings, the One Fund issued a letter of thanks to Plymouth, for its donation of \$37,000 from the Town-sponsored One Fund charity road race.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 8:45 p.m., the Selectmen voted to close the public portion of their meeting and reconvene its earlier Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter

30A, Section 21, Paragraph 6, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, as an open meeting on this matter may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the body. By roll call: Tavares – yes, Mahoney – yes, Brewster – yes, Provenzano – yes, and Muratore – yes.

Chairman Muratore noted that, following executive session, the Board would not reconvene in open session.

Recorded by Tiffany Park, Clerk to the Board of Selectmen

A copy of the April 15, 2014 meeting packet is on file and available for public review in the Board of Selectmen's Office.