

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SELECTMEN/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: November 26, 2013
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator, absent

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Wareham Summer of Celebration 2014 Committee invites local business owners and staff to a meeting on December 5th at 5:30pm in the Town Hall Cafeteria. For more information contact Claire Smith at 508-295-4679 or email celebrate2014@wareham.ma.us

Chairman Teitelbaum was chosen to be a judge for the Superintendent Challenge and stated that the winner will be announced tomorrow.

Chairman Teitelbaum wanted to clear up that the platform behind Merchant's Way will be for the Cape Flyer.

4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Present before the board: Nazih Elkallasi & Chris Perry from Wareham Tigers
Mr. Elkallasi was before the board stating they are trying to raise funds for the Tigers to compete in the Nationals in Florida.

Present before the board: Sharon Gomes
Ms. Gomes was looking for an update on house bill 1856. Chairman Teitelbaum stated that it's not in the Selectmen's hands and that she would need to check the mass.gov website for updates on the bill.

Present before the board: Mr. Walton

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Mr. Walton stated that he ran into friends who have not been to Wareham in over 20 years and they were very pleased the way the town looks today. Mr. Walton also mentioned that he attended the Murder Mystery Fundraiser at the library and said it went really well and wanted to complement Selectman Whiteside on her performance in the play.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.
- b. Appointment/Interview to the Beach & Tourism Advisory Committee.

Present before the board: Mary Bruce

Ms. Bruce was before the board expressing her interest in serving on the Beach & Tourism Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to appoint Mary Bruce to the Beach & Tourism Advisory Committee to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2015. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- c. Approval of executive session meeting minutes of November 16, 2013

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to approve and hold the executive session minutes of November 16, 2013. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-1 (Selectman Holmes abstained)

- d. Invoice from Law Office of Richard Bowen dated November 17, 2013 for professional services from September 21, 2013 through October 20, 2013 in the amount of \$15,000.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve payment to Law Office of Richard Bowen for services dated September 21, 2013 through October 20, 2013 in the amount of \$15,000. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- e. Invoice from the Law Office of Richard Bowen dated November 21, 2013 for professional services from October 21, 2013 through November 20, 2013 in the amount of \$15,000.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve payment to Law Office of Richard Bowen for services dated October 21, 2013 through November 20, 2013. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

6 LICENSES & PERMITS

- a. Application Class II License by Hickey Autos, Inc., d/b/a Executive Auto, 3251 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham,

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to open the hearing. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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Present before the board: Michael Hickey

Mr. Hickey presently owns a used car dealership in Falmouth since 1995 and was looking to open one on Cranberry Highway.

Present before the board: Jim McDermott

Mr. McDermott stated he was an abutter and would like to see a limit on the number of cars as well as no repairs on the lot. He said that also he would like to not see anybody living there.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to close the hearing. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the application for a Class II License by Hickey Autos, Inc., d/b/a Executive Auto, 3251 Cranberry Highway E. Wareham under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Mass General Laws for a limit of 9 cars and no automotive repairs be allowed on the property. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- b. Request for use of town roads by the Wareham Village Association, c/o Phyllis Decas for their annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 14, 2013 (rain date: December 15, 2013) at 3pm.

Present before the board: Phyllis Decas

Ms. Decas went over the plans for the parade and the tree lighting ceremony at the Town Green. The Fire Department will be having a bon fire at the station on Main Street after the parade and children can get their picture taken with Santa.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to approve the application by Wareham Village Association, c/o Phyllis Decas for their annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 14, 2013 (rain date December 15, 2013). Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. SEWER BUSINESS

- a. Funding source for contract 2 (waiting for audit by DOR)
- b. Any other sewer business

Selectman Slavin stated that Tighe & Bond should be before the board in January to go over the numbers.

8. TOWN BUSINESS

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- a. Discussion on guidance to the Town Administrator for the next year.
- b. Vote to accept donation from SouthCoast Hospital Group (not discussed)
- c. Meeting with Beach & Tourism Advisory Committee member to update the board.

Present before the board: Bruce Hutchings

Mr. Hutchings spoke about a survey they would like to give to local businesses.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to support the program. Selectman Tropeano seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Discussion re: update policies – ongoing.
- e. Vote to authorize the Chairman to submit letter in support of Commuter Rail Service.

Chairman Teitelbaum stated that Susan Williams Gifford invited him to attend a meeting a Buzzards Bay where they were speaking about exploring the possibility to bring the commuter rail to Wareham.

MOTION: Selectman Slavin moved to have Chairman Teitelbaum submit a letter of support. Selectman Holmes seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- f. Any other town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

10. LIAISON REPORTS

Selectman Slavin went over the list of food needed for the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

Chairman Teitelbaum stated that he attended the Cemetery Commissioners meeting and they went over the outstanding deeds and the meeting went well.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Holmes moved to adjourn. Selectman Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

12. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted

Janet Wilson

Department Assistant

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

Attest: _____

Alan H. Slavin, Clerk

Date Signed: 12-10-13

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 12-12-13