

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SELECTMEN/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: March 10, 2015
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator
Attorney Rich Bowen

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Music from Land's End Wareham will be performing at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Sunday, March 8th at 3pm.

Selectman Tropeano read a list of vacancies to boards, committees and commissions.

Residents are urged to clear the snow away from the fire hydrants located near their home.

The Wareham Historical Society will host a program by Wareham's Postmaster on the History of the Wareham Post Office on Monday, March 16th.

The Senior Corn Beef and Cabbage Luncheon will be held on March 17th – Please call Cheryl for reservations at 508-291-3100 x6514.

Coffee Hour will be held this week at the Agawam Village and will feature guest Donna Bronk who is running for Sewer Commissioner and Michael Frates who is running for Selectman.

Social Harmony Masonic Lodge & Wareham New Bedford Elks will host a Country Hoedown Charity Night on Saturday, March 21st at 6pm. Tickets are \$10 – Please call Donna Allen at 774-271-0951 or Bob Buchenan at 508-364-3989.

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The American Legion and the Redman Hall will both be having corn beef and cabbage dinners on March 14th at 6pm.

Chairman Slavin stated that they have received an updated Cherry Sheet and the Chapter 70 funds are down however, Town Government funds have increased.

Wareham will be receiving part of a grant to fight opioid abuse. Chairman Slavin met with New Bedford Mayor Mitchell on Friday about this grant that Bob Ethier and Chief Walsh worked on getting.

Dog Licenses are due by March 31st, Town Election will be held April 7th, Onset Protective Night will be held on March 26th.

4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Present before the board: John McMillian

Mr. McMillian was before the board asking why the Town isn't plowing Wilma Avenue. He said that the driver told him that they don't have to clean his street. Mr. Sullivan said that he has driven down the street and said that he believes that the plow wasn't able to get down the street due to it being narrow.

5. APPOINTMENTS/INTERVIEWS/REAPPOINTMENTS – Council on Aging Board of Directors

Present before the board: Judith Peterson

Ms. Peterson said that she would like to be on the COA Board of Directors and she has attended a few meetings and she is happy with the progress they are making.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to appoint Judith Peterson as a member to the Council on Aging Board of Directors to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2017. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

6. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. Application by the South Shore Race Management, LLC & My Team Triumph, c/o Anne Marie Winchester, P.O. Box 1480, Duxbury, MA for the use of the Town roads for their 3rd Annual Lazy Lobster 5&10 Mile Road Race on Sunday, June 21, 2015.

Present before the board: Anne Marie Winchester

Ms. Winchester was before the board seeking approval of her event. She has done the race before in Town.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the application by South Shore Race Management, LLC & My Team Triumph, c/o Anne Marie Winchester, P.O. Box 1480, Duxbury, MA for the use of the Town roads for their 3rd Annual Lazy Lobster 5&10 Mile Road Race on Sunday, June 21, 2015. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

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VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Application from the Friends of the Library for a one-day wines & malts.
Present before the board: Priscilla Porter

Ms. Porter was before the board seeking approval for a one-day wines & malts on Saturday, March 14th from 5:30-9:00 pm. at the Wareham Free Library, 59 Marion Road, Wareham, MA.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application from the Friends of the Library for a one-day wines & malts. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

c. Application from Bartending Service of New England for a one-day wines & malt beverages license.

Present before the board: William Fuller

Mr. Fuller was before the board seeking a one day wines & malt beverages for an event to be held on March 21st from 6-10pm at Box Mill Hall.

MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to approve the application for a one day wines & malt beverages from Bartending Services of New England to be held on March 21st from 6-10pm at the Box Mill Hall. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

7. TOWN BUSINESS

Renewal of Seasonal Liquor Licenses under the provisions of Chapter 138 of MGL for the year 2015:

a. Common Victualer Wines & Malt Beverages License issued to GYJO, Inc., d/b/a The Lobster Pot, Joseph A. Marino, III, Manager, 3155 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the renewal of a Seasonal Common Victualer Wines & Malt Beverages License issued to GYJO, Inc., d/b/a The Lobster Pot, Joseph A. Marino, III, Manager, 3155 Cranberry Highway, E. Wareham. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

b. Common Victualer All Alcoholic Beverages License issued to Project Half Shell, Inc., d/b/a Quahog Republic, Erik C. Bevans, Manager, 197 Onset Avenue, Onset.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve and hold until all signatures are received for a Common Victualer All Alcoholic Beverages License issued to Project Half Shell, Inc., d/b/a Quahog Republic, Erik C. Bevans, Manager, 197 Onset Avenue, Onset. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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- c. Club All Alcoholic Beverages License issued to Point Independence Yacht Club, Inc., d/b/a Point Independence Yacht Club, Dennis Langlais, Manager, 15 Independence Lane, Onset.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the Seasonal Club All Alcoholic Beverages License issued to Point Independence Yacht Club, Inc., d/b/a Point Independence Yacht Club, Dennis Langlais, Manager, 15 Independence Lane, Onset. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

- d. Stash's Onset Beach, 182 Onset Avenue, Onset, Nicoletta Papantoniadis.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve the seasonal licenses and hold for Stash's Onset Beach. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

e. Vote on Warrant articles to be placed on Special Town Meeting Warrant. Article #1 should read article 6 not 4 **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article in Special Town Meeting Warrant with correction to read article 6. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

Article #2 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #2 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #3 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #3 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #4 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #4 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #5 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #5 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant with the correct to read *To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to fund the Plymouth County OPEB Trust*, or to take any other action relative thereto.. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #6 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #6 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #7 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #7 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #8 – **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #8 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

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The board will combine on the floor of town meeting articles 7&8 -

Article #9 - **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #9 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Article #10 - **MOTION:** Selectman Tropeano moved to place article #10 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

f. Discussion and vote on Regular Town Meeting Warrant Articles/Possible Joint Vote with Finance Committee.

i. Discussion and possible vote on CPC articles.

Present before the board: Angela Dunham & Sandy Slavin

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend placing article #18 on the warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded - Poll vote - Selectman Teitelbaum -yes, Selectman Whiteside - yes, Selectman Tropeano - yes, Selectman Slavin - yes.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approve article #18. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend placing article #15 on the warrant. Selectman Whiteside seconded. - Poll vote - Selectman Teitelbaum -yes, Selectman Whiteside - yes, Selectman Tropeano - yes, Selectman Slavin - yes.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approval of article #15. Selectman Whiteside seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to recommend placing article #16 on the warrant. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded - Poll vote - Selectman Teitelbaum -yes, Selectman Whiteside - yes, Selectman Tropeano - yes, Selectman Slavin - yes.

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to approval of article #16. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

ii. Discussion and possible vote of adoption of MGL Chapter 148:26H by the Wareham Fire Department.

Present before the board: Chief McDuffy, Asst. Chief Haskell, Asst. Chief John Kelly and Captain Dykas.

Chief McDuffy stated that they would like the Town to adopt this MGL which will require every lodging house and boarding house to be protected with automatic sprinklers. Chief McDuffy also stated that the Onset Fire Chief is all in support of this article.

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MOTION: Selectman Teitelbaum moved to recommend – Poll Vote for favorable action – Selectman Teitelbaum – yes, Selectman Whiteside – yes, Selectman Tropeano – yes, Selectman Slavin – yes.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

g. Discussion of the Revenue and Expenses through December 2014.
This was placed on the agenda to see if anyone had any questions on the budget proposal.

h. Discussion with the Cable Advisory committee
Present before the board: Paul Ciccotelli, Matthew Underhill and Pat Rumney
The committee said that they will continue with the 4.5% of annual gross revenues, they will also have a side agreement with WCTV to disburse funds and the Town will receive \$300,750 which will be disbursed over 10 years.

i. Resolution on reimbursement of work done for the Wareham Fire District.
The Water Department has paid the \$210,000 for work that was done approximately 5 years ago.

j. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.
Chairman Slavin said that last week they had the Housing Authority before the board asking for the board to waive the fees. Mr. Powilatis said that the Architect was going to be including the fees in the contract which was left out in error by him.

8. **CONSENT AGENDA**

a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc.

9. **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

The front end loaders are out removing ice. They are also in the process of using the hot patch and sealing the potholes. Mr. Sullivan stated that County Road is a mess and urged caution when traveling that road. Mr. Sullivan stated that he does have a balanced budget going into Town meeting.

10. **LIAISON REPORTS**

Selectman Whiteside stated that the Council on Aging is on a roll, The Cemetery Commissioners will be voting tomorrow to add additional space to one of their cemeteries, the School is working on their budget presentation, the Library Board of Trustees are holding fundraisers.

The Key Club at the High School is looking for community activities for the kids; the person to contact is Pam Franklin.

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Selectman Whiteside stated that the Municipal Maintenance Department received some food and a thank you letter from a group of residents who were having problems getting their street plowed. They were happy the way that they handled the problem to get it corrected.

Selectman Tropeano said that he was in the Town of Freetown's Office the other day and said that they have a dual tax rate.

Chairman Slavin said that the Planning Board met last night in which they discussed Bay Pointe as well as 4 duplex homes.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Tropeano moved to adjourn. Selectman Teitelbaum seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

12. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Respectfully submitted

Janet Wilson

Department Assistant

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

Attest:


Patrick G. Tropeano, Clerk

Date Signed: 3-31-15

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 4-1-15