

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2013

Members Present: James DeVellis, Chairman
Mark Sullivan, Vice Chairman
Lorraine Brue, Clerk
Lynda Walsh
Ginny Coppola

Others Present: Town Manager Kevin Paicos

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by James DeVellis, Chairman. Chairman DeVellis reviewed the agenda.

Citizen's Input

DPW Director Roger Hill stated that last night was the first night of the flushing program. He feels it was very successful as there were only five or six calls for brown water received. They were also successful in obtaining the necessary data and cleaning out the water pipes. The flushing will continue tonight and over the next several weeks until all 115 miles of water pipes are done. Information on what areas will be flushed is on the water department website.

Town Historian Jack Authelet would like to request the use of the Common to observe the 250th anniversary of the first meeting house on June 7th. This is the Friday before Founders Day. It will be an informal ceremony. He is working to get repairs done on the common before then, the Memorial Tree needs to be replaced, as well as plow damage from the winter.

Mr. Authelet would also like to move the Save the Common Fence plaque from 1972, it was put on the WWII tablet, and he would like to move it to its own location. Mr. Paicos will check with the DPW Director and Mr. Sullivan will follow up on this.

Chairman's Update

Mr. DeVellis noted that several Foxboro Police Officers were sent to Boston last week to assist in the pursuit and capture of the Marathon bombers. There are also several officers from other towns who live in Foxboro who participated. Mr. DeVellis wished to express his gratitude to all of the officers that helped out.

Mr. Paicos had letters of Commendation that are being sent to the three Police Officers from town, Officer James Payne, Officer Scott Hodson and Operations Lieutenant John Hannon. Mr. Paicos read a copy of the letters that expressed the respect and admiration of the community.

Mr. Sullivan stated that his heart goes out to all that have suffered and to the community of Watertown and their police department for their great actions.

Ms. Brue wanted to mention that their families should be thanked also.

Town Meeting will be on May 13th, all citizens are asked to take the time to attend.

The Annual Election will be held on April 30th as it was moved to coincide with the State Senate Primary.

Mr. Sullivan wanted to reflect a minute of the past year, he stated it has been a pleasure working with the current members of the Board and felt the Mr. DeVellis did an outstanding job as Chairman as he was well-spoken and fair. He looks forward to the coming year.

Mr. DeVellis stated that he has enjoyed working with the Board for the past three years.

Ms. Brue felt that the Chairman's Update is a great addition to the agendas. She feels the members of the Board got a lot done this past year and are doing it for the right reasons.

Ms. Coppola enjoyed working with everyone this past year, her first on the Board. Members taught her a lot and she feels that this in an exceptional Board to work with.

Ms. Walsh feels that the Board worked well together and is committed to the town.

Ms. Brue also wanted to thank the Town Manager for his tolerance with five different individuals and providing information when asked. She also wanted to thank the town employees that dealt with the Board.

Mr. Paicos stated that even though the Board might not always agree, they are always working for the community at heart.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review

A motion to reconsider the vote taken on Article 20 was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Ms. Coppola had abstained from the last vote as she had questions about the sunset clause provision in the Municipal Housing Trust being proposed. Town Counsel has given an opinion that the clause is legal as written.

A motion to approve Article 20 for a Municipal Affordable Housing Trust was made by Ms. Brue and seconded by Ms. Coppola. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Mr. Paicos stated that he will be making a presentation to the Advisory Committee on the Police Contract. Any Board members are allowed to attend the presentation as long as there are no votes taken.

Selectmen's Annual Review of Town Manager/Salary Review

Last week the Board reviewed with Mr. Paicos the comments that were compiled by Ms. Brue. Mr. DeVellis would next like to review his salary.

Mr. Sullivan stated that he is not prepared to discuss this topic this evening as he thought this discussion would be held after the elections.

Mr. Paicos stated that the Board may change after the election and he feels that the current Board should vote on the past year's review.

Mr. Paicos contract requires a review before the election. If a vote is taken before Town Meeting it could then be included in the budget.

Mr. DeVellis stated that the contract says the Board has until July 1st to review salary. This topic will be put on a future agenda.

Upcoming Meetings

The Board had scheduled meetings for May 14th and 28th; the Board would like to meet before Town Meeting in case anything comes up. The meeting dates for May will now be May 7th, May 13th (Town Meeting) and May 21st. Mr. Paicos informed the Board that he will be out of state for the first two weeks of June.

Action Items

The minutes of April 2, 2013 were reviewed.

A motion to accept the minutes of April 2, 2013 as amended was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

A request has been received for a One Day Beer and Wine License for the HPHR 2nd Annual Kidney Run on May 11th at the America's Best Value Inn at 105 Washington Street. Ms. Brue had a question on the times requested. Mr. Paicos stated that one day licenses are granted until 1:00 a.m. as per the policy, they can choose to stop serving before then.

A motion to approve the request for a One Day Beer and Wine License on May 11th for the HPHR 2nd Annual Kidney Run at the America's Best Value Inn at 105 Washington Street subject to the Police Chief's approval was made by Mr. Sullivan and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Pool Table License renewals were received from the Ancient Marinere, Fusion 5, VFW and Waxy O'Connor's. These are annual one year licenses.

A motion to approve Pool Table License Renewals for the Ancient Marinere for two coin operated tables; Fusion 5 for two coin operated tables, VFW for three coin operated tables and Waxy O'Connor's for one coin operated table for one year was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

The Acting Chairman of the Historical Commission, Kenneth Bryant, has sent in a notice that he is resigning.

A motion to accept the resignation of Kenneth Bryant from the Historical Commission with gratitude for the time he served on it was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

The Historical Commission would like to appoint Jennifer Savickis to the Commission; she has been an Associate Member since July 2012.

A motion to appoint Jennifer Savickis as a full voting member to the Historical Commission was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

The Board of Recreation would like to appoint Associate Member James Greene as a full voting member.

A motion to appoint James Greene as a full voting member of the Board of Recreation was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

The Board needs to appoint renewals for Town Committees effective May 1st as shown on the provided list.

A motion to approve all Town Committee Appointment Renewals as submitted effective May 1, 2013 was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Brue. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

The West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen has sent correspondence in regards to the Target Share Reduction figures for the Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School. The Governor has proposed that all member communities in regional school districts pay their actual assessed amounts instead of paying higher assessments to subsidize less financially secure communities. This letter asks Foxboro's support in advocating State Senators and Representatives to fund 100% of the target share during budget deliberations on Beacon Hill. Mr. Paicos will have Mr. Scollins review this request and send a letter if no issues or return to the Board if there are issues.

A motion to adjourn the meeting to enter into Executive Session and not return to regular session at 7:50 p.m. was made by Ms. Walsh and seconded by Mr. Sullivan. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Diana Gray

Lorraine A. Brue, Clerk