

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEEING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.
MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL – SELECTMEN’S HEARNING ROOM

Present: Michael G. Bradley, Chairman; James J. Fitzgerald, Vice-Chair; Joseph E. Kelleher, Clerk; and Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator

Mr. Bradley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was recorded by MCTV and other media outlets.

Town Administrator’s Report – Mr. Maresco gave an oral report on the following:

- 1) Met with Apple Cleaning Company President and he is working on the appearance of the Town Hall
- 2) Met with School Superintendent and School Business Administrator regarding the school’s budget
- 3) Met with Greg Guimond regarding Flood Plain
- 4) Met with Labor Counsel regarding union negotiations
- 5) Met with Carol Robinson regarding the banning of plastic bags from supermarkets as her group is concerned about the environment
- 6) Met with the DPW Acting Superintendent and DPW Business Manager regarding the possible use of Fathom Company monitoring water usage in Town and they will submit pricing
- 7) Met with Craig Jameson regarding his idea to put an ice rink on the Town Green
- 8) Went before the Historical Commission tonight and they voted unanimously in support of rink. Craig will start the set-up this weekend and the rink will be open 9:00 a.m. – sunset.

Mr. Fitzgerald questioned the cost of using Fathom and Mr. Maresco indicated that they will roll the cost of the software into their pricing. Mr. Maresco noted that the company will monitor residents who have sprinkler systems and notify them regarding the best time to use them as well as notify residents if a toilet is broken.

Board of Assessors – Appointment of New Member – Jack Cantwell, Chairman of the Board of Assessors appeared before the Board. Mr. Cantwell indicated that they had three worthy candidates to fill the vacancy on the Board of Assessors and that they are recommending Amy Malone. Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Kelleher all felt she had a great resume. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to appoint Amy Malone as the new member on the Board of Assessors to fill the vacancy until the election in April of 2018. The vote was unanimous.

Board of Assessors Classification Hearing - Ann Marie Sinnott, Acting Assessor/Appraiser joined Jack Cantwell to set the tax rate for the Town. Ms. Sinnott explained that it would not be beneficial to change to have a split rate because the commercial percentage is not high enough and that typically a Town would have a 20% commercial percentage. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to keep the tax rate at a single rate. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Sinnott then discussed the small commercial exemption and the Board did not feel it would be beneficial to the Town.

DAV Application for Change of Hours - Robert Weaver, Senior Vice Commander of the DAV appeared before the Board. Mr. Weaver said he would like to increase the hours at the DAV from 11:00 p.m. to 12:45 a.m. Mr. Weaver indicated that they have a much better reputation these days and that he talked with the Police Chief and he said he had no problem with them changing their hours. Mr. Weaver said that they mainly want to change the hours because of the football games and dart games. Mr. Bradley asked about the impact on the neighbors and Mr. Weaver said that he had spoken to all the neighbors and they don’t have a problem with it and that he has a good relationship with the Tennis Club across the street. Mr. Maresco noted that a long time ago there were a few issues down there but they haven’t had any issues in the last few years. Mr. Fitzgerald indicated that he would have liked to have seen a report from the Chief.

Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to approve the change of house from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. – 12:45 a.m. with the approval of the Police Chief. The vote was unanimous.

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Appointment of Acting Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer – Jeremiah Folkard – Mr. Maresco noted that Mr. Folkard has been getting all the inspections completed and that he agreed to be appointed as the Acting Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to appoint Jeremiah Folkard as the Acting Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer retroactive from November 28, 2017. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Maresco mentioned that the application deadline for a new Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer is January 5, 2018.

Vote on Seasonal Population – Mr. Bradley read from the memo from the Town Clerk which indicated that the seasonal population increases by about 15,000 each year. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to approve the seasonal population of 40,000. The vote was unanimous.

Renewal of Annual Licenses for Restaurants and Package Stores – Alcohol, Common Victualler and Entertainment – Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald the approval of the following restaurant alcohol, common victualler and entertainment licenses pending receipt of forms, payments of taxes and fees: Aoyama Asian Bistro, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Cask ‘n Flagon, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Disabled American Vets, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Ember, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Fairview Inn & Restaurant, Innholder All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Innholder; Green Harbor Golf Club, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Green Harbor Yacht Club, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Grill 139, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler Entertainment; Haddad’s Ocean Café Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Harbor Fire Bar & Grill, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Hola, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler; KKaties Burger Bar Marshfield, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Mamma Mia’s Restaurant, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Mandarin & Tokyo, LLC, Restaurant Wine & Malt, Common Victualler, Marshfield Country Club, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Marshfield Famous Pizza, Restaurant Wine & Malt, Common Victualler; Marshfield Lodge of Elks, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Marshfield VFW, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Marshfield Yacht Club, Club All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; Mia Regazza of Marshfield, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Ming Dynasty, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, PizZings, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Polcari’s Bridgway Inn, Innholder All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Innholder; Rafferty’s Pub, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Roht Marine, Restaurant All Alcohol, Entertainment, Sashimi Asian Cuisine, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Station Eight, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; The Fieldston, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment; The Jetty, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, The Roadhouse, Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment and Venus II Bros. Restaurant All Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Fitzgerald to approve the following package store licenses: Green Harbor General Store, Package All Alcohol; Hubbard’s Cupboard, Package Wine & Malt; Jackanson’s, Package Wine & Malt; Jogi’s Liquors, Package Wine & Malt; Marshfield Blanchards, Package All Alcohol; Marshfield Hills General Store, Package Wine & Malt, Common Victualler; Marshfield Liquors, Package All Alcohol, North River Beverage, Package All Alcohol; Ocean Bluff Packet, Package All Alcohol; Rexhame Package Store, Package All Alcohol, Ricky’s Market, Package Wine & Malt and Roche Bros. Supermarket, Package Wine & Malt, Common Victualler. The vote was unanimous.

Approval of Request for Extension of Hours on New Year’s Eve – Mr. Bradley mentioned that they had letters from the Fairview Inn, Rafferty’s and the Marshfield Lodge of Elks requesting a one hour extension for New Year’s Eve. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to

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approve the one hour extension for New Year’s Eve for the Fairview Inn, Rafferty’s and the Marshfield Lodge of Elks and any other restaurant that gets their paperwork in before New Year’s Eve. The vote was unanimous.

Appointments to the Agricultural Commission – Mr. Bradley mentioned that they had a recommendation for Norma Haskins as a full member of the Agricultural Commission and Ed Duane as an alternate member. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to appoint Norma Haskins as a full member of the Agricultural Commission and Ed Duane as an alternate member of the Agricultural Commission. The vote was unanimous.

Board Discussion – Pratt Barn - Mr. Maresco mentioned that the Town has a demolition bylaw and that there is some interest in moving the barn to either the fairgrounds or another piece of property in town to be used as a museum. Mr. Maresco indicated that he would like the Board to weigh in on the subject of the Pratt Barn and the house. Mr. Maresco noted that he had received a letter from someone interested in using the wood from either the barn or the Pratt house in order to make decorations. Mr. Maresco also mentioned the possibility of moving the barn to the area behind the Hancock Paint Building to be used as a museum with the use of CPC funds. Mr. Bradley indicated that the main house was in horrible shape and that they just bought the property for the land and not the buildings on the land. Mr. Bradley noted that if anyone is going to make use of the buildings, it is on a demo delay for one year. Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned that there were people interested in possibly using the house but it has been vandalized and deteriorated in recent years and that he would like to get an opinion from Jim Folkard whether or not the house can be saved. Mr. Bradley mentioned that Brian Adams had told him that the house was beyond saving. Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned the possibility of tearing the barn down and selling the boards and that if the Fairgrounds are interested in the barn then they will have to pay to move it. Mr. Fitzgerald indicated that the Historical Commission has expressed interest in moving the barn to a different spot and the house has been broken into constantly in the last few years so we would need to know the status of the house. Mr. Fitzgerald noted that they need to find out from Town Counsel what they can and cannot do because CPC funds would be involved. Ms. Karen O’Donnell from the Open Space Committee was in the audience and said that they purchased the property for open space purposes only and not for the buildings. Cindy Castro of the Historical Commission mentioned that the moratorium on the demolition would be up in August of 2018. Ms. Castro also mentioned the possibility of moving the barn to the fairgrounds to be used for sheep shearing and horseshoeing and other types of displays. After further discussion the Board decided to have Mr. Maresco speak to Town Counsel and have Jim Folkard take a look at the properties and discuss again at a future date.

Acceptance of Minutes – Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to approve the minutes of November 27, 2017. The vote was unanimous.

Executive Session Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald to go into Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. to discuss strategy with respect to litigation that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body, and not to reconvene in Open Session. The vote was unanimous. Roll call vote: Mr. Fitzgerald – aye, Mr. Bradley – aye, Mr. Kelleher – aye. Mr. Bradley noted that this concludes the public portion of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Wiedemann

Documents and exhibits presented at this meeting were the following: letter from Jack Cantwell, Chairman of the Board of Assessor requesting a joint appointment to fill the vacancy on the Board of Assessor, copy of email from Caroline LaCroix, resume from Amy Malone, letter and resume from Andrew Wening, letter, email and resume from John Dillon, Classification hearing notice and with copy of tax shift possibilities and small commercial information, application for change of hours from D.A.V., email from Town Clerk with seasonal population vote, list of restaurant liquor licenses and package store licenses, letters from the Fairview Inn, Rafferty’s and Elks Lodge regarding New Year’s Eve extension, emails from Jim Fitzgerald and Lorrie Gamp Dahlen with letter from Norma Haskins and application from Edward Duane and copy of minutes of November 27, 2017. The minutes of November 13, 2017 were not available.