

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING

Monday, November 22, 2021

Selectmen’s Hearing Room, Town Hall

Participants: Christopher R. Rohland; Stephen R. Darcy; James J. Kilcoyne; Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator

Mr. Rohland moved, seconded by Mr. Darcy, to open the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The vote was unanimous. Christopher Rohland announced that the meeting is being recorded by MCTV.

Town Administrator Report – Michael Maresco provided the Board with his brief as follows. Week of November 8, 2021:

- Call in to WATD regarding Board of Selectmen agenda
- Weekly meeting with PMA regarding the Police Station and DPW projects
- Weekly Police Project OAC meeting
- Bi-Weekly DPW Building Committee Meeting
- Attended ZBA meeting on Harbormaster project
- Meeting with Father Carmichael and Tom Reynolds to discuss sidewalk issue in front of St. Ann’s by the Sea church
- Weekly DPW meeting with PMA
- Weekly meeting with Fred Russell for update on ongoing projects
- Attended and participated in MVP program at Council on Aging
- Participated in Veteran’s Day Parade and program at Veterans Park
- Participated in ribbon cutting at the new Veterans Housing
- Meeting with Chief Simpson on clinic and budget issues
- Meeting with Harbormaster, Police Chief and Jim Kilcoyne on pump out issues and harbor update
- Meeting with Joe Flemming, Interim Treasurer/Collector to finalize and review Capital Budget for FY23
- Volunteered at vaccination clinic on Saturday

Week of November 15, 2021:

- Weekly PMA meeting to review upcoming issues for DPW and Police project
- Meeting with Griffin Electric and PMA to resolve temporary power issue at Police station
- Meeting with Joe Flemming to review FY23 Annual Budget
- Meeting with Mary O’Donnell, Bob Galvin and Matt Parent to review some challenges regarding ISO study and Eversource connection
- Department Head Meeting
- Meeting with Bill Grafton regarding Bill Finn’s contract and funding source
- Meeting with Cyndee Marcoux on library issues and the care packages she is making for homeless people
- Attended and participated in drill at the EOC
- Attended and participated in the After Action meeting to review issues, future planning, communication and storm response
- Meeting with PMA to review DPW project and timeline
- Meeting with Kerry Richardson regarding access to spillway for the committee regarding potential grant funding
- Follow-up zoom meeting with Fire Chief, Deputy Chief and retired Chief regarding MIH program
- Attended Managers Conference in Chatham
- Volunteered at vaccination clinic on Saturday

Michael Maresco gave an update on the Vaccination Clinic and said that 1150 vaccinations were given over the 3 days the clinic was open last week.

Pole Hearing – West Street – Christopher Rohland read the public notice regarding this hearing into the record. Seeing no representative from Verizon or Eversource, Mr. Rohland read the details of a petition to move a pole that currently sits in the middle of a driveway. Maureen Niland, 21 West Street, spoke in support of this petition. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Steve Darcy, to approve this petition to relocate one pole. The vote was unanimous.

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Seasonal Population – Christopher Rohland read through the letter from Narice Casper estimating the seasonal population to be between 43,000 and 45,000. Michael Maresco explained that the ABCC requires this seasonal population estimate to be reported by the Board of Selectmen annually. After a brief discussion, Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to estimate the seasonal population for the Town of Marshfield at 45,000. The vote was unanimous.

Fetch BBQ – Application for Annual Restaurant Wine & Malt License and Entertainment License – Christopher Rohland read the public notice regarding this hearing into the record. Josephine and Daniel Naples appeared before the Board with their attorney Michael Vigaretto. Mr. Vigaretto gave some details on this application for a wine & malt license and said that it would primarily be so that customers could enjoy a glass of beer or wine while waiting for their takeout order. Mr. Rohland noted that the Police Department and Building Department have signed off on this application. Mark Tedeschi, Rexhame Package Store, asked what the entertainment license is for. Mr. Vigaretto said that this license is required for radio music which is the only entertainment they will be having. Mr. Tedeschi said that parking is already an issue because Fetch only has 3 parking spots, and said that customers of the flower shop and convenience store are sometimes unable to park in front of their businesses and this will be made worse if this license is granted. Christopher Rohland asked if the spots are shared or for individual businesses. Mr. Tedeschi said they are separate properties and the Fetch property only has 3 spaces. James Kilcoyne said this seems like a legitimate concern and suggested getting help from the Building Department. Mr. Vigaretto said that they would be willing to put up signs and reiterated that people will not be lingering, the license would be for people to have a drink while waiting for their takeout food. Steve Darcy suggested tabling a vote until they can find a creative solution. Mr. Vigaretto said that he is open to any suggestions. After a brief discussion, Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to continue this hearing to December 20, 2021. The vote was unanimous.

South Shore Community Action Council Update – Michael Maresco noted that Kimberli Keith, the Town’s liaison on the SSCAC, was unable to be here tonight due to an illness. Mr. Maresco gave an update on some of the programs offered by the South Shore Community Action Council and said that more information can be found on their website www.sscac.org. The Board thanked Mr. Maresco for the update.

Request to Waive Permitting Fee for Propane Tank at Police Station – Michael Maresco gave some details on this request. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to waive the permitting fee for the propane tank at the Police Station. The vote was unanimous.

Request to Waive Permitting Fee for Septic Design at DPW Facility – Michael Maresco gave some details on this request. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to waive the permitting fee for the septic design at the DPW facility. The vote was unanimous.

New Appointment to Marshfield Housing Partnership – Christopher Rohland read through the application from Cindi Lee McTiernan and noted that the Housing Partnership has recommended this appointment. Mr. Rohland said that Ms. McTiernan would be a great addition to this committee. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to appoint Cindi Lee McTiernan to the Housing Partnership for a three year term expiring on June 30, 2022. The vote was unanimous.

Request to Place Sign on Town Owned Land – Michael Maresco gave some details on this request from the AmVets to place a sign on the island at the intersection of Plymouth Avenue and Ocean Street that says “Welcome to Fieldston/Ocean Bluff/Brant Rock”. Mr. Maresco noted that the sign will still need to adhere to Building Department regulations regarding signage but the Selectmen’s approval is required since it is going to be put on Town owned land. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to approve this request. The vote was unanimous.

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Ethics Disclosures – Mark Stiles – Christopher Rohland read through the ethics disclosures from ZBA member Mark Stiles. Mr. Rohland said that the forms disclose that Mr. Stiles has had past business dealings with applicants who have upcoming hearings before the ZBA. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to accept these disclosures. The vote was unanimous.

Permission to Accept Donations – Christopher Rohland read through the requests from Carin Paulette, Director of Veterans Services, for permission to accept donations totaling \$1,500 to the Veterans Gift Account. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to accept a donation of \$500 from Edward Timlin. The vote was unanimous. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to accept a donation of \$1000 from Jeffrey Baird c/o Dr. Ross S. Ajemian. The vote was unanimous.

Letter to Division of Marine Fisheries – Christopher Rohland gave some details on this request from the Harbormaster to send a letter to the Division of Marine Fisheries requesting that they support the rescinding of the recreational shellfish closures for the North and South Rivers. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to have the Town Administrator draft a letter to the Division of Marine Fisheries. The vote was unanimous.

Statement of Claim – 15 Bay Avenue – Michael Maresco gave some details on this request. Mr. Maresco said that this was previously voted by the Board of Selectmen in August 2021, but the wrong address was on the Statement of Claim so this vote will correct that error. Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to approve this Statement of Claim for the property at 15 Bay Avenue. The vote was unanimous.

Marshfield Housing Partnership Liaison Report – James Kilcoyne gave an update on the work of the Marshfield Housing Partnership. Mr. Kilcoyne said that Covid had a negative impact on their schedule, but they are now back to regular meetings. Mr. Kilcoyne noted that the committee is behind on their 2 year plan within the 5 year plan, which needs to be filed with the State. Mr. Kilcoyne said that staying current with the Plan is extremely important and the Housing Partnership is currently working on it. Michael Maresco said that we need to keep current with these plans in order to receive funding from the Commonwealth. The Board thanked Mr. Kilcoyne for the update.

Vaccination Policy for Employees – Christopher Rohland said that the Board will pass over this item since the 6th circuit court decision is on hold. Mr. Maresco said that Labor Counsel is preparing policies for the Board to review prior to a vote.

Acceptance of Minutes – Christopher Rohland moved, seconded by Stephen Darcy, to accept the minutes of October 29, 2021 and November 8, 2021 as written. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. There was no executive session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Burke

The following documents and exhibits were presented at the meeting: pole hearing petition; application for annual liquor and entertainment licenses from Fetch BBQ; emails from Kimberli Keith, South Shore Community Action Council liaison; seasonal population estimate from Narice Casper; letter from Fire Chief requesting permission to waive fee; email from Board of Health requesting permission to waive fee; application for appointment to Marshfield Housing Partnership from Cindi Lee McTiernan; picture of proposed sign for Town owned land; ethics disclosures from Mark Stiles; application for entertainment license for Wicked Women Makers Market; letters requesting permission to accept donations for Veterans Gift Account; email from Harbormaster requesting letter of support for reopening of clam flats; statement of claim for 15 Bay Avenue; information about vaccination mandate.