

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING

Monday, November 9, 2015

Selectmen’s Hearing Room

Present: Matthew J. McDonough, Chairman; Stephen G. Robbins; Michael G. Bradley; Rocco J. Longo, Town Administrator

Matthew McDonough opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting is being recorded by MCTV and WATD.

Town Administrator Report – Rocco Longo provided the Board with his weekly brief as follows:

- Mr. Longo said that the FEMA maps have been delivered but are difficult to read. They are trying to get something that will be easier for the public to read to put on the website. There are several changes to the maps, but it is difficult to see what those changes are. The Town has 30 days to review the maps and provide comments. Sometime in January, FEMA will issue the Letter of Determination and once the Town receives this letter we have 6 months to adopt the maps.
- Had a brief meeting related to the 40B being proposed in the PMUD, could be up to 250 units. He will continue to attend work groups to get more information and will report back to the Board.
- The Town was invited to the Seaport Advisory Council meeting on November 20. The Harbormaster will be making a short presentation; Mr. Longo noted that the fact that the Town has been put on the agenda is usually a sign that we will be getting some grant funds.
- Working on determining the best use of the building on the Pratt property. This is a complicated piece of property; he will keep the Board apprised as options are weighed.
- Attending MMA Board meeting tomorrow.

Matthew McDonough said that the paper maps received from FEMA are basically useless for trying to work with the public and help them to answer questions about their property, and said that we need shape files to layer over the Townwide GIS system. Mr. McDonough asked residents to be patient while they try to get a usable set of maps, once we have better maps a public forum will be set up so that people can find out if their property is in the flood plain. Steve Robbins agreed that FEMA did a terrible job on these maps and he is very upset about it. Mike Bradley agreed that no lay person will be able to use these maps and he feels it is unfair to have the 30 day response period begin before we get better maps.

Announcements – Matthew McDonough announced that the Ventress Memorial Library’s Long Range Planning Committee is having a public input session on November 21 at 2:00 p.m. at the library and encouraged people to attend so that they can give feedback on the long range plans for the library.

Marshfield Country Club – Application for Pledge of License – Tom Schuler, Vice President of Marshfield Country Club, appeared before the Board. Mr. Schuler explained that the club is doing a 2.2 million dollar construction project and Scituate Savings Bank is requiring that the license be pledged as collateral on the loan. After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this pledge of license. The vote was unanimous.

Downeast Cider House – Application for License to Sell Hard Cider at Winter Farmers Market – Matthew McDonough read through the application. After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this license. The vote was unanimous.

Application for Entertainment License – Levitate Music and Arts Festival – Matthew McDonough read through the application. After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this license contingent on positive recommendations from Police, Fire and Board of Health. The vote was unanimous.

Ragnar Events – Ragnar Relay – Matthew McDonough read through the application for this annual relay style road race which is scheduled to run through Marshfield on May 13, 2016. After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to

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approve this request contingent on a positive recommendation from the Safety Officer.
The vote was unanimous.

Acceptance of Minutes – Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to accept the minutes of October 21, 2015 and November 2, 2015 as written. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. There was no executive session held.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Burke

The following documents and exhibits were presented at the meeting: application for pledge of license from Marshfield Country Club and accompanying information; application for license to sell hard cider at farmers market from Downeast Cider House; application for entertainment license for Levitate Music and Arts Festival; application and route information for Ragnar Relay.