

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING

Monday, August 17, 2015

Selectmen’s Hearing Room

Present: Matthew J. McDonough; 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:

- Bart Riley, Systems Analyst, who recently returned from a lay-off, has taken a position in another Town. His last day here is September 4, 2015.
- Spending a lot of time dealing with insurance claims from this past winter.
- The second public forum regarding the Charter Review will be held this Thursday at 7PM at the Seth Ventress Hall.
- Spent the day with Labor Counsel dealing with some union issues.
- Spent last Thursday working with the Energy Manager preparing the Green Community package for submission in October.
- Actively working on the IT and Finance Department transitions.

Vote on Fire Chief Contract – Matthew McDonough noted that the Board is still in negotiations with the Fire Chief and tabled this item to a future meeting.

Vote to Declare Skate Park Equipment as Surplus Property – Rocco Longo said that he has not received an estimated value yet, but noted that this equipment is not subject to procurement laws since it is being donated to another town. The Town of Sherborn is interested in using this equipment, and will pay for its removal; there will be no cost to the Town of Marshfield. After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to declare the Skate Park Equipment as surplus property to be donated to the Town of Sherborn. The vote was unanimous.

Field Trip Request – Wellesley Public Schools – Matthew McDonough read through the request from Carolyn Collins of Wellesley Public Schools to bring second grade students to Rexhame Beach on September 21, 2015 (rain date October 20); October 5, 2015 (rain date October 6); and June 9, 2016 (rain date June 10); and to Brant Rock Beach on October 19, 2015 (rain date June 10, 2016); May 27, 2016 (rain date June 9); and June 9, 2016 (rain date June 10). After a brief discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this request. The vote was unanimous.

Fiesta Shows – Sunday Entertainment License – Matthew McDonough read through the application for Entertainment on Sunday for the Marshfield Fair on August 23 and August 30, 2015. Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this license. The vote was unanimous.

Appointment of Conservation Commission Representative to CPC – Matthew McDonough noted that he attended the last meeting of the Community Preservation Committee and Mr. O’Donnell was in attendance. Mr. McDonough said that he supports the appointment of Bertram O’Donnell to represent the Conservation Commission on the Community Preservation Committee. Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to make this appointment for the remainder of a three year term expiring on June 30, 2017. The vote was unanimous.

Appointment of Housing Authority Representative to Marshfield Housing Partnership – Matthew McDonough noted that Jean McDonald has served in this capacity for several years and does a great job. Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to reappoint Jean McDonald to represent the Housing Authority on the Marshfield Housing Partnership for a three year term expiring on June 30, 2018. The vote was unanimous.

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Overdose Awareness Vigil – Matthew McDonough invited Melissa O’Hearn of the Marshfield Coalition against Heroin and Opiates, and Mark McDonald of the Board of Health to come forward for this discussion. Mr. McDonough explained why he brought forward the idea of having this vigil and described his plans for the evening which will be held in conjunction with International Overdose Awareness Day on August 31, 2015 beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the Town Green. Ms. O’Hearn spoke about her sister who died of a drug overdose in 2014 and the coalition she founded after her sister’s death, which now has over 1100 members. Mark McDonald spoke briefly about some of the organizations that will be participating in this event. Steve Robbins and Mike Bradley voiced their condolences to Ms. O’Hearn and her family, and their support of this event. After some discussion, Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to grant permission for placement of flags on the Town Green on August 30, 2015. The vote was unanimous. Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to grant permission to hold this vigil on August 31, 2015. The vote was unanimous.

Tedeschi Food Shops – Change of Name on Common Victualler License – Matthew McDonough read through the application. Steve Robbins moved, seconded by Mike Bradley, to approve this change. The vote was unanimous.

Executive Session – at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Robbins moved, seconded by Mr. Bradley, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing land acquisition that if discussed in open session may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Town, not to return to open session. The vote was unanimous. Roll call vote: Mr. Robbins – aye; Mr. McDonough – aye; Mr. Bradley – aye.

Mr. Robbins moved, seconded by Mr. Bradley, to close the executive session at 8:30 p.m. and adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Roll call vote: Mr. Robbins – aye; Mr. McDonough – aye; Mr. Bradley – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Burke

The following documents and exhibits were presented at the meeting: email communication regarding Skate Park equipment; letter from Wellesley Public Schools, Sunday Entertainment application from Fiesta Shows; letter from Conservation Commission requesting that Bert O’Donnell be appointed to represent them on the Community Preservation Committee; letter from Housing Authority requesting that Jean McDonald be reappointed to represent them on the Housing Partnership; application for Common Victualler License and accompanying information from TFS NewCo LLC.