

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2109 AT 7:00 P.M.
MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL – SELECTMEN’S HEARING ROOM

Present: Joseph E. Kelleher, Chairman, Chris R. Rohland, Clerk, Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator, Michael G. Bradley – excused due to illness

Mr. Kelleher opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and stated that the meeting was being recorded by MCTV and other media and noted that he would start with the Action Items first.

Vote to Open and Close Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Mr. Kelleher read the notice for the Annual Town Meeting of April 27, 2020. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to open the Town Meeting Warrant for submission of articles on January 6, 2020 and close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for submission of articles on January, 27, 2020. The vote was 2-0.

Vote on Seasonal Population – Mr. Kelleher read the letter from the Town Clerk regarding the seasonal population. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to estimate the seasonal population to be about 41,497. The vote was 2-0.

North River Arts Society – Temporary Wine & Malt License (December 5, 2019) - Mr. Kelleher read the application for a One Day Wine and Malt License for the North River Arts Society for December 5, 2019. Mr. Kelleher noted that both the Police Chief and Fire Chief had no issues with this event. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to approve the One Day Wine and Malt License for the North River Arts Society for December 5, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. The vote was 2-0.

Annual Common Victualler License – Fetch BBQ (formerly Bear’s BBQ) - Mr. Kelleher stated that the owners of Bear’s BBQ had to change their name. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to approve the change of name from Bear’s BBQ to Fetch BBQ. The vote was 2-0.

Marshfield Housing Partnership –Presentation and Vote on Housing Production Plan – Mr. Dan Gaulin, Housing Consultant appeared before the Board with the Town of Marshfield Housing Production Plan. Mr. Gaulin explained the demographic trends, progress made by the Town from the previous plans and changes that were made on policy recommendations. Mr. Gaulin noted that they have doubled the subsidized housing inventory in the past 10 years from 432 units to 821 units. Mr. Kelleher thanked Mr. Gaulin and noted that the majority of the work had been done by former Housing Coordinator, Jack Mather. Mr. Rohland noted that the Plan was both interesting and helpful. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to accept the Housing Production Plan as presented. The vote was 2-0.

Vote to Sign CRS Verification Form – Mr. Joe Rossi appeared before the Board and mentioned that he was last here in October regarding Hazard Mitigation planning. Mr. Rossi indicated the number of flood insurance policies have increased and the Town has been fulfilling other requirements which enables the Town to get a Class 7 rating. Mr. Rossi indicated that once the Town becomes certified, the policy holders should see a 15% decrease in their insurance amounts and noted that the document before the Board tonight would be the final step. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to accept the CRS verification form as presented tonight by Mr. Rossi. The vote was 2-0.

Board of Assessors – Classification Hearing – Mr. Kelleher noted that they are now holding the classification hearing with the Board of Assessors. Ann Marie Sinnott, Town Assessor appeared before the Board and explained the reasons why the Board of Assessors is recommending a single tax rate instead of a split tax rate. Ms. Sinnott referred to the hand-outs given to the Board and noted that historically Marshfield maintains a single tax rate. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to approve the single tax rate. The vote was 2-0. Ms. Sinnott then explained the small commercial exemption and that the Board of Assessors recommends not adopting the small commercial exemption and mentioned some of the reasons for not adopting which were listed in her hand-out. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland not to adopt the small commercial exemption. The vote was 2-0.

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

Week of October 28, 2019-

- attended ribbon cutting/ground breaking ceremony for the Veteran’s Project
- met with Patrick and Danielle on ACA Compliance Issues
- met with Danielle for Deb Sullivan Audit request
- met with Barbara Dwyer of Constellation Road regarding Eversource issues
- held weekly roof construction meeting
- held weekly Facility Director meeting
- met with Annette Moccia on agricultural issue regarding Mounce Farm land
- attended meeting prep for Special Town meeting

Week of November 4, 2019

- met with Patrick Dello Russo on Capital Budget Books
- attended meeting at Senior Center with National Accreditation Committee, Senior Center is one of only 7 to be accredited in MA and only one of 102 nationally
- met with Paul Nessralla regarding his property
- met with Patrick Dello Russo on CIP filings, Capital Improvement Plans
- held weekly meeting on roof project with Contractor and Facility team
- held weekly meeting with Facility Director on status of on-going projects
- held meeting with Bob Livermore on elevator project to go over bid process
- held conference call with Recreation Trails Committee
- attended CRS/PPI Public Hearing with FEMA and MEMA, great work by Joe Rossi, Jim Folkard, Nanci Porreca, Greg Guimond and the Committee to get the rates lowered for our residents who need flood insurance

Week of November 11th –

- attended Veterans Day Parade, great tribute to our veterans
- met with staff to review motions for Special Town Meeting
- held conference call with DCR on Trails Committee Grant for Bridal Path
- met with Mayflower Health Insurance
- held weekly roof meeting
- held weekly meeting with Facility Director on on-going projects
- met with Police Chief and Town Counsel for updates on Holtec, new owners of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant

- attended MEMA meeting with all Plymouth County EOC staff
- toured NRAS property with Building Commissioner, CPC representative, Kevin Cantwell, Fred Russell and Tony Bullock
- reviewed wage study with Legal Department
- attended Moderator’s meeting for final preparation for fall Special Town Meeting
- held meeting with Barney Dowd and Danielle to resolve issue
- attended Capital Budget Committee meeting to vote on articles

Week of November 18th-

- Article 14 passed at Special Town Meeting
- held reclassification hearing with Danielle and Val Blinn
- met with Chief Tavares on Mounce Farm investigation of misinformation
- met with Laurie Nickerson on property at 396 Plain Street
- held conference call with DOER on Aggregation Plan
- attended inspection of Dan Smith’s business
- toured First Congregational Parish Hall to be used for early voting Feb. 23-29
- held meeting with Gerald Reardon on conservation issues

Week of November 25th-

- attended Finance Committee meeting chaired by Treasurer/Collector
- held meeting with Jim Folkard on Brunswick Street issues
- held meeting with Kerry Richardson on Housing Coordinator position
- held meeting with Grace Moore/Jim Folkard on Holiday Barn event
- judged Spirit cars at Marshfield High School
- held Veteran’s Home conference call for closing preparations

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Energy Committee – Announcement of Selection through RFP for Solar Array and Vote by the Board of Selectmen- Mr. Bill Bottiggi appeared before the Board and explained that the Energy Committee had issued an RFP to take advantage of capped landfill. Mr. Bottiggi commented

that all the bids that came in were all qualified to be reviewed. Mr. Bottiggi then explained the process for their decision to pick the company, No Fossil Fuel, for the solar array project and noted the benefits the Town will receive for 20 years. Mr. Bottiggi also indicated that the Town would be leasing the land and the company would maintain the equipment. Mr. Maresco noted that the Town is getting a great deal. Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to accept the results from the Energy Committee. The vote was 2-0.

Acceptance of Minutes – Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to accept the minutes of October 28, 2019 and November 18, 2019. The vote was 2-0.

Mr. Kelleher noted that Mr. Dello Russo’s appointment this evening regarding declaration of surplus property and foreclosure proceedings was canceled.

Mr. Kelleher moved, seconded by Mr. Rohland to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 2-0.

The Executive Session was canceled for this evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Wiedemann

Documents and exhibits presented at this meeting were the following: copy of emails and copy of Housing Production Plan, copy of Classification Hearing Notice and related documents, copy of email and related documents for Solar Array, copy of Annual Town Meeting warrant notice, copy of letter from Town Clerk regarding seasonal population, copy of application for one day wine and malt license with copies of corresponding emails and certificate of insurance, copy of common victualler application for name change from Bears BBQ to Fetch BBQ, copy of CRS verification form, copies of information from Treasurer Collector regarding surplus property and foreclosure that was cancelled and copies of minutes of October 28, 2019 and November 18, 2019.