

MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING

Monday, February 11, 2019

Town Hall, Selectmen’s Hearing Room

Present: James J. Fitzgerald, Chairman; Joseph E. Kelleher; Michael G. Bradley; Michael A. Maresco, Town Administrator

Jim Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and announced that the meeting is being recorded.

Town Administrator Report – Michael Maresco provided the Board with his brief as follows:

- January 29th – met with Bill Grafton and Eric Goodwin on projects to enhance access to trails.
- January 29th – conference call with MIIA regarding upcoming training and workshops.
- January 30th – met with Bill Grafton regarding Carolina Trail Race fundraiser
- January 31st – attended Mayflower Health Insurance meeting
- January 31st – met with Mike Eaton of MIIA regarding ongoing insurance claims
- January 31st – weekly meeting with Fred Russell for update on ongoing projects
- January 31st – met with Patrick Dello Russo and auditor
- January 31st – attended Capital Project Building Committee meeting to discuss STM articles
- February 1st – met with Ben Virga, Frozen Four Inc. regarding potential marijuana dispensary
- February 5th – participated in a discussion at the senior center regarding global warming
- February 5th – met with the Treasurer/Collector and Town Accountant regarding budgetary issues
- February 5th – met with Susan Caron regarding South River Park
- February 6th – review of Town Meeting warrant
- February 6th – met with Danielle Kerrigan regarding personnel bylaw reviews
- February 7th – met with Jon Nash regarding connectivity issues
- February 7th – met with Town Counsel regarding limiting marijuana dispensaries
- February 7th – weekly meeting with Fred Russell regarding ongoing projects
- February 8th – met with Ronit Goldstein from Eversource for an update
- February 8th – met with Citizens Energy regarding wind and solar power
- February 8th – met with new grant writer regarding contract
- February 8th – attended meeting at the EOC regarding FEMA reporting
- February 11th – met with Comcast and Chris Kenny regarding cable contract
- February 11th – met with Jim Folkard regarding highway garage roof repairs and issues at the Alamo building

Possible Town Meeting Article Regarding Limiting Marijuana Facilities – Town Counsel

Robert Galvin appeared before the Board and gave an overview of the proposed article which would enact a bylaw that would limit the number of marijuana facilities in town. Mr. Galvin said that the two options would be to limit the number to 20% of the number of licensed package stores or to limit it to a specific number of adult use, recreational marijuana establishments. Michael Maresco said that there are currently 12 licensed package stores in Marshfield, so 20% would be 2.4. After some discussion, Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to have Town Counsel draft an article for Special Town Meeting that would limit the number of recreational marijuana establishments in the Town of Marshfield to two. The vote was unanimous.

Possible Town Meeting Article on Short Term Rentals Tax – Bob Galvin gave some details on these potential articles to adopt a 6% excise tax and/or a 3% local community fee on short term rentals. After some discussion the Board decided to wait and consider this for a future town meeting.

Ocean Bluff Preservation Association – Dan Fennelly and Ron Gilbertson appeared before the Board and gave a presentation on their organization and their goals to repair and replace the revetment in Ocean Bluff. Mr. Fennelly said that they would like the Town to explore state grants through the dam and seawall fund. Jim Fitzgerald reiterated that this is a Board of Public Works function and the Board of Selectmen has no jurisdiction. Ron Gilbertson said that they have presented to the Board of Public Works and that board agreed that it is a

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problem but the issue is that there is no money to do the repairs, which is why they came before the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Fitzgerald suggested that they continue to work with the DPW engineers to get this project prioritized for funding. Meaghan Lanier, 532 Ocean Street, asked about the funding process. Michael Maresco gave some details on town meeting funding and current priorities for capital funds. The Board thanked Mr. Fennelly and Mr. Gilbertson for the work they have done.

Community Choice Aggregation Petition Article – Jeanne Ryer and Carol Robinson appeared before the Board to give some details on their warrant article. Michael Maresco gave a brief overview of what the article would do. Ms. Robinson gave more details on the article and how the program would work if it were adopted. The Board thanked Ms. Robinson and Ms. Ryer for the information.

Martinson School Roof Project Statement of Interest – Jeff Granatino and Tom Reynolds appeared before the Board and gave some details on the process for applying for funding through the MSBA. After some discussion, Jim Fitzgerald read the resolution as follows: Having convened in an open meeting on February 11, 2019, prior to the SOI submission closing date, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Marshfield, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated January 25, 2019 for the Martinson Elementary School located at 257 Forest Street, Marshfield, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement of roofing systems and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to accept this resolution authorizing the School Superintendent to submit the SOI for the Martinson Elementary School to the MSBA. The vote was unanimous.

Vote on Release of Funds from Overlay Surplus Account – Michael Maresco gave some details on this standard request. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to authorize the Board of Assessors to transfer an amount not to exceed \$250,000 from the overlay surplus to be used at the Annual Town Meeting. The vote was unanimous.

Fairview Inn – Temporary Closure of Licensed Premise – Jim Fitzgerald read the letter from Jack Clancy requesting permission to close the licensed premise at 133 Ocean Street for the month of February for building repairs. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to approve this request. The vote was unanimous.

Green Harbor Yacht Club – Temporary Closure of Licensed Premise – Jim Fitzgerald read the letter from Kevin Joyal requesting permission to close the licensed premise at 257 Dyke Road from February 4, 2019 through February 15, 2019 for renovations to the bar. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to approve this request. The vote was unanimous.

North River Arts Society – Temporary Wine & Malt License – Jim Fitzgerald read through the application from Barbara Chaisson for a one day wine and malt license for an event at the GAR Hall on Thursday February 14, 2019. Michael Maresco noted that they have submitted proof of liquor liability insurance. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to grant this license as requested. The vote was unanimous.

South River School PTO Road Race – Jim Fitzgerald read the letter from Tamara LoVuolo requesting permission to hold a road race on May 4, 2019. Mr. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to approve this request contingent on a positive recommendation from the Safety Officer. The vote was unanimous.

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Prader-Willi Fundraising Walk – Jim Fitzgerald read the email from Kristine Mosca requesting permission to hold the 3rd annual Prader-Willi Walk at the Harbor Park on May 19, 2019. Jim Fitzgerald noted that the Beach Administrator and Harbormaster have recommended approval of this request. Mr. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to approve this request contingent on a positive recommendation from the Safety Officer. The vote was unanimous.

Police Department – Declaration of Surplus Property – Jim Fitzgerald read the letter from Chief Tavares asking the Board to declare a list of abandoned property, including bicycles and jewelry, as surplus for auction or destruction. Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to declare all property listed as surplus. The vote was unanimous.

Acceptance of Minutes – Jim Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Joe Kelleher, to accept the minutes of January 28, 2019 as written. The vote was unanimous.

Executive Session – At 8:45 p.m. Mr. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Mr. Kelleher, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations 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. Kelleher – aye; Mr. Fitzgerald – aye; Mr. Bradley – aye.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Mr. Kelleher, to close the executive session at 9:15 p.m. and adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Roll call vote: Mr. Fitzgerald – aye; Mr. Kelleher – aye; Mr. Bradley – aye.

There were no votes taken in Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Burke

The following documents and exhibits were presented at the meeting: draft marijuana article; information from Town Counsel on short term rental tax; PowerPoint presentation from Ocean Bluff Preservation Association; information on Community Choice Aggregation petition articles; information from Tom Miller regarding SOI for Martinson School Roof; letter from the Fairview Inn requesting permission to temporarily close licensed establishment; letter from Green Harbor Yacht Club requesting permission to temporarily close licensed establishment; letter from Tamara LoVuolo requesting permission to hold South River School PTO road race; email from Kristen Mosca requesting permission to hold Prader-Willi Walk and recommendations from Beach Administrator and Harbormaster; letter from police chief and list of unclaimed property to be declared surplus