

**MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD  
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022 6:30 p.m.  
SELECT BOARD HEARING ROOM – TOWN HALL**

In attendance Anthony Vegnani, Chair, Andrew Goodrich, Vice Chair, Maura Curran, Clerk, Karen Canfield, Karen Connolly

Also, in attendance Jim Boudreau, Town Administrator

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Ms. Curran at 6:32 p.m. to accept the agenda for June 28, 2022 second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

Mr. Vegnani read the following statement:

*The Scituate Select Board is committed to providing an environment of respect during meetings. We ask all members to interact in a polite manner even when there is disagreement.*

*We value the participation of our community and want all participants, including marginalized and minoritized communities, to feel welcomed and respected.*

*We ask our committee members, and all who participate, to commit to these standards to support and respect our community.*

**WALK INS – no walk ins**

**REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

1. The total number of Covid cases for this past week according to our MAVEN data was 19, down from last week's 28. Total number of cases reported to the BOH was 54 down from 55 last week. We had a positivity rating over the last 14 days of 7.70% down from 7.73% of last week. Plymouth County is at 5.13%, down from last week's 5.95%. State wide the positivity rate yesterday for the past 7 days was 5.78% down from the previous week of 5.62%. Statewide there are 38 individuals in ICU up from 34 of last week. 9 patients are intubated, down from 14 of last week. So mixed numbers across the board this week. According to the Boston Globe this morning two new variants of the Omicron strain, BA.4 and BA.5 are more adept at avoiding the antibodies in our bodies from the vaccines or that we get after having the virus. These two variants make up 35% of the cases in the US. Experts still expect numbers to decline, but not as quickly as hoped. This is borne out by the numbers we are seeing this week.

We are not done with COVID yet. Although it is only one week, the numbers are trending up. There is a new Omicron variant, BA-2 that is now the dominant strain in the US. At this point, being vaccinated is a much better defense than not being vaccinated, so please, if you have not yet gotten vaccinated and can receive the vaccine, we urge you to do so. Vaccinations and booster are widely available. Go to [mass.gov](https://mass.gov) for details.

2. Water update. The reservoir was -2" yesterday, down from even last week. Tack Factory pond was even this week down from last week's measurement +1.00" last week. Average daily demand was at 1.481 mgpd, essentially the same as last week's usage. Manganese measured at the WTP is high enough to cause discolored. As the temperatures rise, so will the Manganese levels in the water. Rainfall over the last 7 days was .0" measured at the Plant.

The Trac Vac System in the bottom of sedimentation basin 2 stopped working. The TP is currently running through one basin only (1/2 capacity) with a max of 1.5 MGD. This is restricting the amount of

water we can produce. We had a company in today and we know that the control panel is functioning properly. We are now draining the basin so the contractor can go in and see what is going on. Without knowing the problem and how long it will take to fix, we are implementing a full outdoor water ban starting tomorrow. This ban will stay in effect until the plant is back on line. This is not related to our water supply but is solely our ability to produce water. In addition, there have been disruptions in our supply change for delivery of chemicals. This could impact our well production. We think we have this solved for now but it has been an on-going issue.

3. A reminder as we get into the summer from our sewer department-Flushable wipes are NOT flushable. The get caught in pumps and machinery and cause blockages in the system.
4. I spent this morning with the DPW, Police, Fire and Planning meeting with representatives from MassDOT reviewing safety and issues on the Rte3A corridor from HTB to First Parish. Sight lines, speed, intersection geography, lights and a potential sidewalk from Old Forge down to First Parish among other issues were discussed and each intersection was visited. DOT will draft a report of the meeting for our review then a copy will be made available. Short term fixes (signage, stripping) will be looked at first while major changes will have to be pursued through the TIP process.
5. Congratulations to our newest full-time police officers!  
Friday, Officer Michael Oar, Officer Alyssa Rehm and Officer Marisa Stewart graduated as members of the 15th ROC Randolph Regional Police Academy after 23 weeks of rigorous police training. All three excelled in their class and earned notable class awards. Officer Oar was awarded the Firearms Achievement Award for marksmanship as well as the EVOC Award for skilled driving. Officer Stewart earned the Physical Training Award for elite physical fitness throughout the Academy and Officer Alyssa Rehm was awarded the Academic Achievement Award for earning the highest GPA in the class. We are extremely proud of all the officer's achievements and are honored to have them as members of the Scituate Police Department. We look forward to working with them as they transition into their full-time roles and are confident they will serve both the Community and Department well. The officers will now begin field training and will hit the streets in the weeks ahead.
6. Fourth of July weekend is coming up soon. A reminder that fireworks are illegal as is public consumption of alcohol and bonfires. If you are having people over, please make sure that public safety vehicles can get by and access the neighborhood. Be smart and stay safe.
7. Cohasset has started utility work will on Route 3A between Stop and Shop and Pond Street and continuing until August 1<sup>st</sup>. Between the hours of 8am and 3pm southbound traffic will be detoured off of Route 3A to Upper King Street. Northbound traffic will be shifted into the southbound lanes but will not be detoured off of Route 3A. If you take Route 3A in the morning, be prepared for delays.
8. The Sanctuary at Herring Brook will be holding a lottery for the affordable housing units on August 8, 2022. A public information session was held via Zoom on June 23, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Completed applications must be received at SEB Housing by 2:00 pm on July 25, 2022. This information will be posted on the town web site or you can go to [sebhousing.com](http://sebhousing.com) and click "Affordable Housing Opportunities" at the top of the page for more details.

9. Our office has received many calls relative to Minot Light not flashing. Although the lighthouse is private, the light is maintained by the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard is aware of the issue but due to work being down on the lighthouse they have not been able to access the light to repair it. They hope to have this work completed as quickly as possible.
10. Finally, school is out for the summer. Please be mindful when you are driving that children are out of school and riding their bikes, waking to a friend's house and playing outside in their neighborhoods. Take extra care when driving and keep an eye out for children.

Mr. Goodrich asked what the trailer is doing in Minot Parking lot as it is not a town trailer. Mr. Cafferty will look into it.

Ms. Connolly asked that the water restriction be easily accessible on the town website. Mr. Boudreau said it will be on the front-page tomorrow.

Mr. Vegnani reviewed upcoming events in Scituate.

### **SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**INTERVIEW** Board and Committee Interview, Economic Development Commission, Paul Midori  
Mr. Midori is interested in serving on the Economic Development Commission and preserving Scituate's heritage. He believes that North Scituate is a diamond in the rough. The Jamie's site needs to be cleaned up. He will be working with Kyle Boyd. Mr. Midori was the president and founder of the Milton Chamber of Commerce and grew that to 90 businesses. The group got a lot done. He has past experience on many committees in Milton. He was fortunate enough to obtain Federal Grants for projects in Milton and is very proud of that accomplishment. His background is 40 years in his own business called Fitness Unlimited. As a small business owner, he knows how to get things done. His experience in business will help on this committee. Ms. Connolly said he has an entrepreneurial spirit. The nature of municipal government is sticking with it. Ms. Canfield thanked Mr. Midori for coming in. Sue DiPesa and Kyle Boyd spoke very highly of Mr. Midori and this committee is very active and productive. Ms. Curran said his resume is excellent and encouraged Mr. Midori to consider the Planning Board in his future which is an elected position. He recently moved to Scituate and said it is a great town.

### **Outdoor Entertainment Permits**

- 55 Tilden Rd. September 17, 2022 from 2-11 p.m. for a Wedding DJ, Tyler Reiniche  
The wedding is at 55 Tilden Road in Scituate the wedding and reception is there. There will be 130 people invited.
  - **Move to grant an Outdoor Entertainment Permit to Tyler Reiniche and Denise Kirby for a wedding DJ on September 17, 2022 from 2:00 – 11:00 PM at 55 Tilden Rd. Motion by Karen Connolly second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**
- Scituate Harbor Yacht Club Summer Events, Maureen Ray, Manager  
Ms. Canfield recused herself from this agenda topic. Ms. Ray is the manager representing the Scituate Harbor Yacht Club. The events are the same as last year.
  - **Move to grant an Outdoor Entertainment Permit to the Scituate Harbor Yacht Club on the following dates (see attached for list of 2022 SHYC outdoor entertainment events, dates and times). Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (4-0)**

**One Day Beer and Wine Permit for new Caterer, The Townshend Kitchen & Drinks, for event on July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2-6 pm at Foyer of Charity, Devin Adams, Managing Partner**

Devin Adams, Managing Partner, is from Braintree and the restaurant is in Quincy Cellar Door DBA the Townshend Kitchen & Drinks, has requested a One-Day Wine and Malt License for a celebration of life event at the Foyer of Charity, 74 Hollett Street. The event on July 23, 2022 is scheduled from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM. The number of guests expected is 180-220. Application and insurance received. TIPS certification and fee received this evening.

**Move that the Select Board approve a One-Day Wine & Malt license to The Townshend Kitchen & Drinks, for a celebration of life event at the Foyer of Charity, 74 Hollett Street, on July 23, 2022 from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Songwriters Festival Kickoff Party**, 52 Oceanside Drive, September 23, 2022, 6-10 p.m. Kara Tondorf, Owner Rivershed

There is a Friday night event. The last one was in 2019.

- Outdoor Entertainment Permit for acoustic guitar & singer from 6–10 PM.  
**Move to grant an Outdoor Entertainment permit to Kara Tondorf of Rivershed, 17 New Driftway, for an event at 52 Oceanside Drive, on September 23, 2022 from 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm. Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**
- One Day Wine & Malt, Grateful Haven Inc. dba Rivershed, from 6-10 PM.  
**Move to grant a One-Day Wine and Malt Beverages License to Kara Tondorf of Rivershed, 17 New Driftway, for an event at 52 Oceanside Drive, on September 23, 2022 from 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm. Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Heritage Days Special Event Application**, August 6-8, Elaine Bongarzone, Chamber of Commerce  
Ms. Bongarzone said everything will be held in Cole Parkway. The dory races are on Jericho Beach in the morning. There are less vendors and it will be the same as last year in Cole Parkway. They will not be using Front Street. Ms. Curran said August 7<sup>th</sup> is Purple Heart day and asked if she would coordinate it again this year with Kim Stewart on the Veterans Advisory Council. Mr. Goodrich said parking is always an issue and the Chamber should consider the air BNB parking option for attendees. There will be parking at the MBTA and a shuttle and parking in Cole Parkway. Mr. Vegnani requested that people take the shuttle. The Knights of Columbus will not be holding the pig roast this year. Elaine will work with GATRA to see if they can shuttle between historical sites.

**1. Move to approve a Special Event Permit to the Chamber of Commerce for Heritage Days as follows:**

<b>Friday, August 5, 2022</b>	<b>Dusk: Luminaria and boat parade in harbor</b>
<b>Saturday, August 6, 2022</b>	<b>8:00 am Boat races, Museum Beach/Jericho Road</b>
<b>Saturday, August 6, 2022</b>	<b>9:00 am-8:00 pm Vendors/Food Court, Kiddie Carnival, Beer Garden and Music – Cole Pkwy</b>
<b>Sunday, August 7, 2022</b>	<b>9:00 am- 7:00 pm Vendors/Food Court, Kiddie Carnival, Beer Garden and Music – Cole Pkwy</b>

**Set-up times:**

**Friday, August 5: 5:00 am/Stage Area; 3:00 pm/Music and Beer Garden Area, 5:00 pm/Kiddie Amusement area.**

**Saturday, August 6: 5:00 am – Stage, beer garden and vendor areas**

**Take-down times:**

**Sunday, August 7 beginning at 8:00 pm.**

**Monday, August 8, 9:00 am stacked music benches**

**Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Mr. Goodrich Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**One Day all Alcohol Permit for Beer Garden for Untold Brewing and Leahmaia Liquors, Inc., d/b/a Greenbush General Store** for Heritage Days Cole Parkway Beer Garden August 6<sup>th</sup> from 11 – 8 pm and August 7<sup>th</sup> from 11 am–7 pm, Mike Dyer, Co-Owner of Untold Brewing  
The Scituate Chamber of Commerce has submitted an application for Heritage Days, August 5, 6, 7, 2022. During the event the Chamber has proposed a beer garden located in Cole Parkway. Beer, wine and canned alcoholic beverages would be supplied and served (beer) by Untold Brewing, LLC, and (canned wine/canned alcoholic spritzers & canned hard seltzers, spritzers and non-alcoholic beverages) by Leahmaia Liquors, Inc., d/b/a Greenbush General Store. Application, Insurance, Fee and TIPS have been received.

**Move that the Select Board approve a One-Day All Alcohol License for 2022 Heritage Days event to Untold Brewing, LLC, and Leahmaia Liquors Inc., d/b/a Greenbush General Store, for a Beer Garden during Heritage Days on Cole Parkway, Saturday, August 6, 2022 from 11 AM until 8:00 PM and Sunday, August 7, 2022 from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Award of Five -Year Lease to Axon Enterprise, Inc. Electronic Control Device \$213,997.38, Chief Mark Thompson**

This lease replaces the expiring lease from Axon Enterprises for the department's tasers with a new five-year lease. The lease was procured through contract #PS20270 of purchasing cooperative NPPGov. The annual lease payment is part of the existing operational budget in the capital equipment line.

**Move to enter into a five-year lease with Axon Enterprises, Inc for electronic control devices in an aggregate amount of \$213,997.38. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Mr. Goodrich Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Town Administrator Contract** – Postponed to a future meeting

**DPW Contracts, Kevin Cafferty, DPW Director**

- Award of Contract to Equipment Depot Northeast, Inc - Forklift - \$76,325.29

This is a contract for the purchase of a CAT GP50CN1 pneumatic tire lift truck (forklift) as authorized by Article 3X, ATM 04/22. The purchase is being made through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program. The purchase price is \$76,325.29 which exceeds the capital project appropriation of \$67,300 so the DPW is using remaining capital equipment funds in their FY22 budget to make up the difference. Mr. Cafferty said the old one will be used at the sewer plant.

**Move award a contract to Equipment Depot Northeast, Inc for the purchase of a CAT GP50CN1 Pneumatic Tire Lift Truck (forklift) in the amount of \$76,325.29. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Mr. Goodrich Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

- Award of Contract to Univar Solutions USA for Methanol for the unit price of \$1.82/gallon plus current month Methanex MND RP index and a maximum value of \$300,000.

This is a contract for a wastewater treatment chemical of methanol for one year with the option of two one-year extensions resulting from a competitive bid process conducted by the Eastern Massachusetts

Chemical Bid Cooperative. The low bidder was Univar Solutions USA with a unit price of the current month Methanex MND RP index plus \$1.82/gallon. This rate is an increase over the prior year of \$2.08/gallon. For example, the current index is \$1.85/gallon plus \$1.82/gallon equals \$3.67/gallon or a 76% increase. The annual estimated cost is \$300,000.

**Move award of contract to Univar Solutions USA to provide methanol at a unit price of the current month Methanex MND RP index plus \$1.82/gallon. The annual estimated cost is \$300,000. Motion by Ms. Connolly second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption, Corey Miles, Coastal Management Officer**

FEMA will not provide any funds if we do not have a Hazard Mitigation Plan. Ms. Miles said cyber attacks and terrorism is not included. Ms. Miles went through a presentation. And reviewed the two-year process included public outreach. Hazards identified and assessed. Outlined what is vulnerable. The mitigation plan is over 300 pages and over 20 maps. The plan identifies and prioritizes over 40 actions and this is a 5-year performance period. The plan is available on the Town website. The top priority is related to coastal flooding. Next Steps are for the Select Board to accept the plan, final approval from MEMA and FEMA within a month. Apply for grants to implement the Plan (October 2022), Evaluate the plan annually and update in five years. The Oceanside seawall project will help to mitigate the risk to the pump station. Mr. Boudreau said Corey has been here for seven months and has done a great job pulling this together under the tight time frame. Ms. Canfield said the other shovel ready project is the beach nourishment for Minot Beach. Mr. Boudreau said last time we were told there was sand we did not get it. We'll have to see what happens. Mr. Goodrich said it is remarkable work that was done to put this mitigation plan together. Collaboration with all departments is required. Mr. Boudreau said we are one of the best communities around getting homes raised.

**Move to approve and adopt the 2022 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Sewer Connection, 141 Driftway, Greg Morse, Owner, Morse Engineering**

Mr. Morse representing Paul Sheerin who acquired the property last year and has divided into three lots. When they originally filed for applications they were led to believe the homes could connect to town sewer. They do not want to ask for a special permit to extend the sewer. They want to put in septic. Title V says if sewer is available they must connect to sewer. He is asking the sewer commissioners to allow sewer installation for these properties. Drew Scheele said the original plan was to connect to sewer and he needs the sewer commissioners to approve otherwise. Mr. Morse only wants to connect 1 home to sewer and the other two connect to septic. Mr. Morse said the lots can support septic system and can comply with all requirements. Mr. Morse said at the end of the day it is almost the same cost for septic or sewer. Ms. Connolly asked if there was any reason environmentally to want sewer. Mr. Morse set they are outside of the wetlands buffer zone and 150 feet from the sensitive area, 500 feet from the river. Mr. Goodrich said from a town standpoint he doesn't want to force people to go to sewer that don't want it. Mr., Vegnani said we need the sewer connection fees to offset rate increases to residents. The Select Board requested an analysis of sewer capacity. Mr. Boudreau said Wil Branton is working on it and will be in to present it to the Board.

**Move that the Select Board deny the extension of sewer system located at 141 Driftway. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Connolly In favor Curran, Goodrich, Connolly, Canfield against Vegnani motion passes (4-1)**

**Authorization of Town Administrator** to decide of an Emergency Situation for Expedited Designer Selection Process under MGL c. 7C §53, Jim Boudreau, Town Administrator

In meetings with the Owners Project Manager for the restoration of the Scituate Lighthouse, it was noted that the Town does not currently have anything in its procurement procedures relevant to the declaration of an emergency for designer selection under MGL c. 7C §53. The attached document would enable the Town Administrator, who also serves as the Town's Chief Procurement Officer, to make the determination that an emergency exists as defined by MGL c. 7C §53 and act to move forward with an expedited designer selection process. This determination is specific to design services for buildings that fall under the designer selection law. Any emergency relief for normal procurement procedures for construction would still be determined by the Division of Capital Asset Management (DCAMM) upon application from the Town. Ms. Holt will add this to the procurement process.

Section 53. (a) Whenever the health or safety of any persons will be endangered because of the time required for the selection of a designer, interior designer, programmer or construction manager by the procedures prescribed by sections 44 to 58, inclusive, or whenever a deadline for action is set on a project by any court or federal agency which cannot be met if those selection procedures are followed, the commissioner may declare that an emergency situation exists.

(b) If the commissioner declares that an emergency situation exists, finalist selection may be made by the board by expedited procedures adopted by regulation by the board.

**Move to authorize the Town Administrator to decide of an emergency situation for expedited designer selection process under MGL c. 7C §53. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Adjustment to FY22 Revolving Fund Limits**, Nancy Holt, Finance Director

Annual town meeting sets the fiscal year expenditure limits for the MGL c. 44 §53E1/2 revolving funds (Article 12). If in a given fiscal year, the limit needs to be adjusted, a vote of the Advisory Committee and the Select Board is necessary. Due to the Voluntary Curtailment Agreements for the wind turbine, the FY22 expenditures have exceeded the expenditure limit for that revolving fund set at the April 2021 annual town meeting and a new limit needs to be authorized for the remainder of the fiscal year (FY22). A summary of all of the 53E1/2 revolving funds is attached. A similar vote can be taken at a future meeting in FY23 to adjust the FY23 limit.

**Move to increase the expenditure limit of the MGL c. 44 §53E1/2 Wind Turbine Revolving Fund as previously set by the April 2021 annual town meeting, Article 12 by \$100,000 to \$550,000 for FY22. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Sewer and Water Rates**, Nancy Holt, Finance Director

Any changes to the rates need to be voted by the next Select Board meeting. Ms. Holt provided a presentation on the Sewer Rates and Water Rates.

**FY23 Sewer Rates Presentation** was reviewed first.

Factors driving ratee increase considerations were reviewed, FY23 budget as voted required a ratee increase that did not include additional costs, significant capital projects in queue and 1% increase in rates is approximately \$21,205. The FY23 budget review was discussed. Chemical cost increases for FY23 Eastern MA chemical cooperative bid indicates significant increases. Ms. Holt reviewed the impact of chemical increase and chemical costs are \$181,211. Electricity and fuel increase are \$131,144, sludge cake disposal increase is \$48,532. Ms. Holt reviewed the sewer enterprise existing long-term debt and the authorized debt. Ms. Holt provided the debt service projection for FY22-32. The sewer enterprise capital plan FY24-27 was reviewed. Debt service and revenue were review. The costs driving the increase is revenue shortfall for FY23 budget as voted, chemicals, electricity, fuel and sludge ace disposal. Ms. Holt reviewed increases in the last ten years.

Increases in the last ten years

2/1/11 (FY12) +10%

7/1/13 (FY14) +2%

10/1/16 (FY17) Reduce free usage with base rate by 50%

10/1/18 (FY19) +5% increase connection fee to \$16,000

10/15/19 (FY20) Eliminate free usage with base rate

10/6/20 (FY21) +6% □ 7/1/21 (FY22) +9%

Sewer Enterprise Recommendation:

Minimum amount of additional revenue needed is \$323,209

Does not factor in increase in material costs (parts, pumps)

16% rate increase recommended

Estimated additional revenue generated is \$339,280

Town by town comparison of annual sewer bill:

Municipality Annual Bill Rank Comment Cohasset \$1,474 1st Base rate \$187/qtr

Hingham \$527 5th Consumption only; no base rate

Kingston \$1,327 2nd Quarterly service charge \$15; Quarterly flat rate usage fee \$171

Marshfield \$884 3rd Base rate \$200/bi-annual

Rockland \$371 6th No base rate

Scituate \$713 4th Base rate \$71.29/qtr

*Scituate \$827 4th 16% proposed; base rate \$82.70/qtr*

Ms. Connolly said if we see relief at some point would we agree to reduce the costs to residents. Ms. Holt agreed that we can review this annually and normalize. We do not want to see the funds to get siphoned off into something else. It is necessary. Mr. Vegnani said we would have to look at it in totality. Mr. Goodrich asked if there are any concerns with the debt service predictions. Ms. Holt has adjusted for that. The big projects have to go through the Clean Water Trust. Ms. Holt will look at green community grants and other funding opportunities. Mr. Vegnani said we reduced our wind turbine that reduces our revenue and the connection fee is \$19,000 for each home we connect. Mr. Vegnani said we have to add in there a goal to add homes to our sewer system. Ms. Holt said that Mr. Branton is working on a recommendation to the Select Board/Sewer Commissioners.

**Move that the Select Board vote to increase the sewer base rates and sewer usage rates by 16% for fiscal year 2023 as indicated on the proposed FY23 sewer rate sheet effective July 1, 2022. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

### **FY23 Water Rates Presentation**

Factors driving rate increase considerations were reviewed, significant capital projects in queue, future considerations such as additional of treatment staff person and 1% INCREASE IN RATES APPROXIMATELY \$63,809. Ms. Holt reviewed the departmental request, line items that increase for FY23. Unlike the sewer enterprise fund, the water enterprise fund had sufficient projected revenue to incorporate some projected fixed cost increases without necessitating a rate increase. Ms. Holt reviewed the chemical cost increases for FY23 and the impact of those increases. Electricity and fuel costs were reviewed and existing long-term debt service. The water enterprise authorized debt was reviewed that were previously approved. Ms. Holt reviewed debt service projections for unissued debt. Ms. Holt reviewed the debt service and the water enterprise capital plan for FY24-27. Ms. Holt provided a summation of costs driving the increase. The water rate increases over the last ten years:

7/1/09 (FY10) +5%

7/1/10 (FY11) +5% □ 7/1/11 (FY12) +5%



10/16/12 (FY13) +10% □ 8/1/13 (FY14) +10% (design for pipe replacements)  
7/1/14 (FY15) +19.2% (phase 1 \$22M project)  
7/1/15 (FY16) +19.5% (phase 2 \$22M project)  
No rate increases for FY17 or FY18  
10/1/18 (FY19) +20% (final phase \$22M); increase to connection fee to \$14,000  
10/15/19 (FY20) +15.2%; (green sand filter facility & Emergency water treatment plan repairs) increase in flat fees  
10/6/20 (FY21) +11%; addition of 4th tier of usage  
7/1/21 (FY22) +9%

Town by town comparison of water rates:

Cohasset \$1,093 1 Rates changed in 2021

Duxbury \$355 6

Hanover \$539 4 Rates changed in 2021

Hingham \$765 2 Rates changed in 2020

Kingston \$292 9 Rates changed in 2014 (verified)

Marshfield \$338 7 Rates changed in 2020

Norwell \$332 8 Rates changed in 2017

Pembroke \$276 10 Rates changed in 2020

Rockland \$507 5 Rates changed in 2020

Scituate \$674 3 Rates changed in 2021

**Scituate – 5% \$707 3 Proposed rate change in 2022**

The recommendation is to increase rates 5% to accommodate water treatment plant design debt service which is an estimated additional revenue of \$319,045 and to reevaluate remaining projects in the next rate review for inclusion depending on status and debt issuance activity. The Board is concerned about increasing some this year and more next year. They would like residents to be able to plan to accommodate and level off the increases. These projects are not optional. We are continuing to make progress but not leaping ahead of ourselves.

**Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to increase the water base rates and water usage rates by 10% for fiscal year 2023 as indicated on the proposed FY23 water rate sheet effective July 1, 2022. Motion by Ms. Connolly second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **One Day Wine & Malt Licenses**

- a. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30 am – 2:30 pm.
- b. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 10:00 pm.
- c. The Black Apron @ Scituate Harbor Community Center on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00- 9:00 pm.
- d. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.
- e. The Black Apron @ Scituate Maritime Center on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm.
- f. Simply Good Catering @ The Scituate Maritime Center on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm–9:00 p.m.
- g. \*\*Mullaney's @ 8 Allen Place, July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 30<sup>th</sup> 7-11 p.m. for private events

**Move that the Select Board approve/not approve One-Day Wine & Malt licenses to:**

- **Ellen Mackenzie, Inc., @ The Scituate Maritime Center, for a private event, on July 2, 2022 from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM; July 6, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM; July 9, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

- **Simply Good Catering @ The Scituate Maritime Center, for a private event, on August 6, 2022 from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM**
- **The Black Apron @ The Scituate Harbor Community Building, for a private event on July 2, 2022 from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM**
- **The Black Apron @ The Scituate Maritime Center, for a private event on, July 9, 2022 from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM**
- **Mullaney's, 8 Allen Place for a private event July 9, 2022 and July 30, 2022 from 7 PM – 11 PM**

**Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

- **Board and Committee Appointments**

- a. **Economic Development Commission**

**Move to appoint Paul Maduri to the Economic Development Commission for a term of three years or until a successor is named and completion of the conflict of interest law online training program is completed within 30 days. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

**Move to reappoint Susanne Hofmeister to the Economic Development Commission for a term of three years or until a successor is named and completion of the conflict of interest law online training program is completed within 30 days. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

- b. **Constable**

**Move to reappoint Todd Reardon as the Constable for a term of three years or until a successor is named and completion of the conflict of interest law online training program is completed within 30 days. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

- **Appointment Election Poll Workers**

**Move to appoint the following election workers from the Town Clerk's supplemental list. Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

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**Machine Technician**

Edwards, Thomas U

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**Election Volunteer Inspectors**

Breen, Ann U

Chapman, Julie U

Chessia, Robert U

Chessia, Christine U

Cook, Martha U

Greim, Tom

Magill, Kim R

McNally, Mary Jo U

Morrissey-Smith Michele U

Murray, Irene U

Ohrenberger, Gretchen U

Scott-Pipes Priscilla (Penny) U

Sharry, Michelle U

Sheridan, Amy	R
Short, Alison	U
Smith, Doug	D
McGowan, Cathie	
patmikecat@aol.com	D

- **Close Fall Special Town Meeting Warrant for September 19, 2022**  
**Move that the Select Board close the Warrant for the Fall Special Town Meeting to be held on September 19, 2022. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Ms. Connolly Unanimous Vote (5-0)**
- **UPDATE/ASSIGN Select Board Liaison Positions**  
The Select Board reviewed the Liaison Positions and made changes for 2022/2023 that are noted in green as follows:

#### **COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD**

ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST  
ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD  
BEACH COMMISSION  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
BY-LAW REVIEW COMMISSION  
CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE  
CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE  
COASTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION  
COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT COMMITTEE  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
COUNCIL ON AGING  
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION COMMITTEE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
FINANCIAL FORECAST COMMITTEE  
HISTORIC COMMISSION  
HOUSING AUTHORITY  
LIBRARY TRUSTEES  
PLANNING BOARD  
PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD  
PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION  
RECREATION COMMISSION  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
SCITUATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
SISTER CITY FRANCE, IRELAND & CAPE VERDE  
SOUTH SHORE COALITION  
STREET ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE  
TRAFFIC RULES & REGULATIONS

#### **SELECT BOARD LIAISON**

[Anthony Vegnani](#)  
Maura Curran (Member & Liaison)  
Maura Curran  
[Anthony Vegnani](#)  
[Andrew Goodrich](#)  
Karen Connolly  
Karen Canfield  
[Maura Curran](#)  
Andrew Goodrich/Karen Canfield  
Karen Canfield  
Maura Curran/Karen Connolly  
Andrew Goodrich  
[Karen Connolly](#)  
Karen Canfield  
Karen Canfield/Anthony Vegnani  
Maura Curran  
Karen Canfield/Karen Connolly  
Anthony Vegnani/Andrew Goodrich  
[Karen Canfield](#)  
Maura Curran  
Karen Canfield  
[Karen Connolly](#)  
[Anthony Vegnani](#)  
[Maura Curran](#)  
Anthony Vegnani/Andrew Goodrich  
[Andrew Goodrich](#)  
Karen Canfield  
[Karen Connolly/Anthony Vegnani](#)  
[Anthony Vegnani/Karen Canfield](#)  
Maura Curran  
[Anthony Vegnani](#)  
[Anthony Vegnani](#)

VETERANS SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL  
WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION  
WATERWAYS COMMISSION  
WIDOWS WALK GOLF COMMITTEE  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Anthony Vegnani  
Andrew Goodrich  
Maura Curran  
Anthony Vegnani/ Maura Curran  
Maura Curran/[Karen Canfield](#)

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Liaison Reports

Ms. Canfield said the Council on Aging returned to the Planning Board to discuss parking concerns. Ms. Canfield said there will be a big promotion for the tourism video that will go out tomorrow. Mr. Goodrich said there was an RFP for design that went out for the Scituate Harbor Community Building and the RFP closes on Thursday. Seventeen people attended the mandatory walk through. Ms. Curran thanked Natasha Stewart for running the Pride parade last minute. It was between 50-70 people who attended. The community was very pleased. DEI voted for Indigenous people day will be coming at a future agenda. Ms. Curran thanked Linda Hayes and Jessi Finnie for the volunteer party/event and they did a great job. There is a lot of programming and great things going on. Ms. Connolly met Mrs. Fay another centenarian and there was a lovely event.

- Correspondence

Plymouth County Cares Disbursements to date.

- Release of Executive Session Minutes

**Move to release the following list of Executive Session minutes that were previously approved since matters pending are closed. Motion by Ms. Canfield second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

Date of Executive Session Minutes for Release	Topic
03/04/14	Opioid Update
03/25/14	Union Contract Approval
04/29/14	Clapp Road
06/28/14	Drug Activity
08/05/14	Clapp Road Land Swap
09/10/14	Clapp Road Land Swap & Harbormaster Security
10/07/14	Clapp Road Land Swap
05/24/16	Fonseca Legal
06/21/16	Hegner Mooring
01/24/17	Union Contract
04/04/17	Ellis Estate
06/06/17	Ellis Estate
07/25/17	Fire Union Unfair Labor Practice
08/15/17	Union Contract
08/18/17	Ellis Estate
10/03/17	TA Contract
10/11/17	TA Contract
03/27/18	Collective Bargaining

05/08/18	Harbormaster
10/02/18	Union Contract
10/16/18	Union Contract
02/05/19	Land Swap Options
05/08/19	Harbormaster
11/05/19	Senior Center
11/19/19	Hatherly Road Fence
03/10/20	Senior Center
06/07/20	Hatherly Road Fence
07/07/20	TA Vacation
10/06/20	Border Street
12/01/20	Border Street & CJC Hwy
12/15/20	Border Street & CJC Hwy
01/05/21	Border Street
02/09/21	CJC Hwy
06/22/21	0 Border Street
07/20/21	0 Border Street

- Approval of Meeting Minutes  
**Move to accept the minutes for the Select Board meeting held June 14th, 2022. Motion by Mr. Goodrich second by Ms. Canfield Unanimous Vote (5-0)**
- Adjournment and Signing of Documents  
**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 p.m. by Ms. Curran second by Mr. Goodrich Unanimous Vote (5-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorraine Devin, Recorder

## **List of Documents for the June 28, 2022 Select Board Meeting**

- Agenda
- Upcoming Meetings and Events
- **INTERVIEW** Board and Committee Interview, Economic Development Commission, Paul Midori
- Outdoor Entertainment Permits
  - 55 Tilden Rd. September 17, 2022 from 2-11 p.m. for a Wedding DJ, Tyler Reiniche & Denise Kirby
  - Scituate Harbor Yacht Club Summer Events
- One Day Beer and Wine Permit for new Caterer, The Townshend Kitchen & Drinks, for event on July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2-6 pm at Foyer of Charity, Devin Adams, Managing Partner
- Songwriters Festival Kickoff Party, 52 Oceanside Drive, September 23, 2022, 6-10 p.m. Kara Tondorf, Owner Rivershed
  - Outdoor Entertainment Permit for acoustic guitar & singer from 6–10 PM.
  - One Day Wine & Malt, Grateful Haven Inc. dba Rivershed, from 6-10 PM.
- Heritage Days Special Event Application, August 6-8, Elaine Bongarzone, Chamber of Commerce One Day all Alcohol Permit for Beer Garden for Untold Brewing and Leahmaia Liquors, Inc., d/b/a Greenbush General Store for Heritage Days Cole Parkway Beer Garden August 6<sup>th</sup> from 11 – 8 pm and August 7<sup>th</sup> from 11 am–7 pm, Mike Dyer, Untold Brewing
- Award of Five -Year Lease to Axon Enterprise, Inc. Electronic Control Device \$213,997.38DPW Contracts
  - Award of Contract to Equipment Depot Northeast, Inc - Forklift - \$76,325.29
  - Award of Contract to Univar Solutions USA for Methanol for the unit price of \$1.82/gallon plus current month Methanex MNDRP index and a maximum value of \$300,000.
  - Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption, Corey Miles, Coastal Management Officer
- Sewer Connection, 141 Driftway, Greg Morse
- Authorization of Town Administrator to make a determination of an Emergency Situation for Expedited Designer Selection Process under MGL c. 7C §53
- Adjustment to FY22 Revolving Fund Limits
- Sewer and Water Rates Presentations
- One Day Wine & Malt Licenses
  - a. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30 am – 2:30 pm.
  - b. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 10:00 pm.
  - c. The Black Apron @ Scituate Harbor Community Center on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00- 9:00 pm.
  - d. Ellen Mackenzie @ The Scituate Maritime Center on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.
  - e. The Black Apron @ Scituate Maritime Center on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm.
  - f. Simply Good Catering @ The Scituate Maritime Center on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm–9:00 p.m.
  - g. \*\*Mullaney's @ 8 Allen Place, July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 30<sup>th</sup> 7-11 p.m. for private events
- Board and Committee Appointments
  - a. Economic Development Commission
  - b. Constable
- Appointment Election Poll Workers
- Close Fall Special Town Meeting Warrant for September 19, 2022
- Select Board Liaison Positions
- Correspondence
- Release of Executive Session Minutes previously approved but not released
- Approval of Meeting Minutes June 14, 2022

## Select Board Meeting Minutes for June 28, 2022

### SELECT BOARD

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Anthony V. Vegnani, Chair

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Andrew W. Goodrich, Vice Chair

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Maura C. Curran, Clerk

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Karen B. Canfield

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Karen E. Connolly