



**Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 5, 2020
Community Room, Scituate Public Library
7:00 pm**

Committee Members Present: Jerry Kelly, Chair; Lincoln Heineman; Andrew Goodrich; Patrice Metro; Jamie Gilmore; Dan McGuiggin, Lynda Ferguson

Committee Members not present: Elise Russo, Mike Westort

Also in Attendance: Nancy Holt, Finance Director; Jim Boudreau, Town Administrator, Kevin Cafferty, DPW Director, Will Branton, Sewer Supervisor, Dave Ball, Resident

Jerry Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Materials referenced:

Town Warrant for Annual Town Meeting (“ATM”), Town Warrant for Special Town Meeting (“STM”) and Draft selected Background Information for the ATM and STM as of February 25, 2020, Town Warrant for Special Town Meeting Scituate Sign Bylaw Revision (Version 9), Chapter 140, Section 173A: Violation of dog control laws; non-criminal disposition, MGL Chapter 40, Section 13E, Section 63, Sale or other disposal of realty; disposition of proceeds, Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2020

Jerry Kelly made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Lincoln Heineman; Unanimous Vote (7-0)

Jerry Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2020 advisory meeting with non – deferred until next meeting, Unanimous Vote (7-0)

Opening Remarks:

- Planning Board to present articles
Advisory Committee Booklet has to be public on March 27.
- Tonight – review all the remaining Articles for Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting.
- Will vote unless put hold on any of them that require further discussion.

Citizen, Tracey Kitty, wants to put together an article for next town special, substitute teachers make \$10.71/hour (bumps up to \$12.75 after 20 days), proposes that substitutes on little notice with lots of planning and lack of subs, teachers giving up prep time and given extra money (\$35/extra class) which is way more than what actual subs are asking for, asking for at least minimum wage, Lincoln Heineman spoke regarding state laws
Jamie Gilmore at or above minimum wage agreed, management of schools more serious issues,

wants on the record, he does not agree with how this is and agrees morally this is not serving our citizens and students,
Jerry advised write up a petition and get ten signatures and present at next town meeting,

Town Warrant:

STM meeting articles;

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Article 4; Cedar Point sewer project:

Dave Fall, Will Branton and Kevin Cafferty attended to review this article. Project changed from pump system to gravity system. Position of selectman is any additional cost of betterment will be billed to the residents impacted. Explanation of difference in project. Anything beyond \$4,700,000 is intended to be charged to homeowners. The board discussed 20 year assessment on betterment. If at STM, do not vote to have betterment go to residents of Cedar Point, then the cost difference goes to rest of residents. DPW Would like to get started on project this spring, so needs to go to STM.

Discussed what happens when/if go over sewer allowed amount.

If this committee votes no, we run risk of running over I&I limit.

A No voting at STM means that the project as proposed cannot be done.

Board is looking for cost and looking to understand what scope of cost and where funds will come from, and we will vote at next meeting right before ATM.

Kevin Cafferty says gravity sewer system around cedar point, in design phase right now, when design complete, engineer will estimate and they will go out to bid

Dave Ball, 133 houses, majority of residents were adamant this change happen,

Lynda, I sat through one of their meetings, every resident that was at the meeting was adamant that they do the

Kevin, informed the committee that residents in favor of gravity system said they will pay the betterment, no one knows how much that is and we still don't know

Jerry, motioned to defer until Tuesday night, all in favor, (7-0)

Article 12 –

Hold on 9

Article 19 –Intermunicipal Agreement – Sewer District

Jim suggest to hold. Had good discussion with Hull and Cohasset. With Scituate sewer going down South Main Street. Discussed project proposed to work with Cohasset. 115,000 gallons Cohasset to go to Hull, 115,000 gallons Scituate sewer goes to Cohasset, position is Hull sends Scituate bill for 115,000 gallons. Not sure need regional sewage district. Would like to work that out first.

Jim vote to make recommendation at town meeting

Jerry, make recommendation to hold until town meeting , all in favor, unanimous (7-0)

Article 20 Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Signs (Section 710)

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Bylaws by deleting Section 710 Signs and inserting the following new section in its place, or take any action related thereto.

Ann Burbine, resident (did not get address), stated signed bylaws say unconstitutional, content cant be regulated, number of signs per lot, new bylaw has been reorganized to be easier to use, prohibited signs, temp signs, maintenance sign, change to 7.10.6, four signs per lot to 2 are exempt, pretty clear, most towns have some type of sign, when a sign is up for more than 60 days it could be construed as permanent.

Article 21 Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Repair and Restoration of Non-Conforming Structures:

Postponed, meeting on April 13th

Unanimous vote (7-0) to hold this Article

Reserve Fund Transfer;

Jim, says we are not equipped to disinfect necessary if expected case of corona virus hits, proposed electro static misters, one in each school, two go around to other town buildings, Clorox makes the mysters, no bleach, ones in school would be up all the time, would help with flu, cant get if wait much longer, \$4000/each, could have in ten days

Nancy also stated that we would get \$400 off each and a \$500 rebate

Jerry made a motion to approve, seconded by Dan, all in favor, unanimous, (7-0)

Jerry Kelly made a motion to adjourn at 8:44, seconded by Jamie; Unanimous Vote (7-0)

Follow-up:

On-going Items:

- Jerry would like to have Plymouth Country Retirement come in and justify their fees and their investment plans.
- Jamie asked Sytske Humphrey, Vice President of the Beautification Commission if she could make a list of the areas in Scituate that needed improvement.
- Security Upgrades to Town Facilities, Jim said he would get the break down.
- Receipt/Pie Chart that Andrew would like to create for residents informational knowledge.