# MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN March 29, 2017

Present: Martin J. O'Toole, Chairman, Anthony V. Vegnani, Vice Chairman, Maura Curran, Shawn Harris

Patricia Vinchesi, Town Administrator

John Danehey was not present at start of meeting but is expected later.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

# **Acceptance of Agenda**

Mr. Vegnani made a motion to accept the agenda for March 29, 2017, Second by Mr. Harris, all in favor. Unanimous vote (4-0).

#### WALK INS -

Andrea Hunt, 66 Mann Lot Road, thanked the board for the new public safety center. Mrs. Hunt spoke about attending a previous meeting about the use of Mann Lot Road for traffic. Mrs. Hunt was told the road was too narrow for the fire trucks to use Mann Lot Road. Since the fire station opened, the traffic of fire trucks going up and down Mann Lot Road is significant. There is no room to walk down the road when the fire trucks travel on Mann Lot. It is impossible for a school bus and fire truck to pass each other on that road. Mrs. Hunt is seriously concerned someone is going to be injured. There are five new homes being built there and she feels it is an accident waiting to happen. She wants the Selectmen to review this with the DPW. She said her husband is concerned there are no sirens. Mrs. Hunt is aware there is a no siren agreement for this road. The executive session will be discussing the Ellis property and Mrs. Hunt would like the vote at town meeting to be taken into consideration during the discussion to turn the remainder of the property back to conservation land. Mr. Vegnani said the Selectmen would look into the fire trucks on Mann Lot Road.

Jennifer Kuhn, 20 Carrie Litchfield Lane attended the last meeting and said nothing has happened nor has she been contacted. Mr. O'Toole said that there is a meeting tomorrow. Mr. Vegnani asked if Ms. Kuhn received the correspondence from the Building Commissioner and she replied that she received a couple of pictures of a foot on a measuring tape. Ms. Kuhn left some documents. Ms. Kuhn said the builder is working on Sunday's and holidays and should not be.

### REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

1. Public Facilities Update

Public Safety Complex (PSC) is open and we are working on punch list items. The PSC is on time and on budget. April 10<sup>th</sup> is the substantial completion date for the library. Ms. Vinchesi reviewed the current status with the Selectmen. It is coming together and the community will be impressed, it is a unique and beautiful facility. There will be a

new memorial park near the teen area. The memorial has not been forgotten and will be included in the new landscaping plan. There is a beautiful bike rack that is being installed today.

#### 2. Other Items

Over 40 people attended the Humarock presentation last evening. The response from attendees was very good. Ms. Curran attended and said John Ramsey went through the options for Humarock. There were a lot of new faces from Humarock and a lot of good questions. The next meeting is June 6, 2017. This is conceptual and educational due to the high cost. Town employees did a good job. Ms. Vinchesi attended a meeting today regarding security and threats to municipal buildings and schools.

#### **SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

### Water/Sewer Abatement Parcel ID #39-5-3-0

Lynn Iaconelli Bogle is the daughter of the property owners and the pipes froze when no one was living there. The owner has depleted his funding due to the need for a memory care facility. Ms. Bole is asking the Selectmen to adjust the water and sewer bill. Mr. Harris said he wants to be fair and consistent with other requests that have come before the Water and Sewer Commissioners and does see there was a hardship in this case.

Move to grant a request for abatement in the amount of \$8218.61 for water & sewer charges plus taxes and interest for parcel ID # 39-5-3-0. Motion by Mr. Harris Second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Emergency Sewer Connection Parcel ID #28-22-4-F, Jennifer Keefe, Director Board of Health and Russell Clark, Member, Board of Health also in attendance was Greg Morse, engineer, Morse Engineering. The Board of Health received an emergency sewer request that was reviewed at the March 6, 2017 hearing. The property is being sold which requires a title 5 inspection. Mr. Morse is here on behalf of the applicant as the title 5 inspector for a voluntary assessment. In this case the septic system fails for backup of sewage into one or more of the components and the system is in high ground water with no separation. The next step was to complete the perk tests in the presence of a board of health witness and both tests failed the criteria. The entire backyard is within 50 feet of a wetland and you cannot perk there. The options were a tight tank or connecting to sewer. The board of health said the five properties surrounding this property are connected to sewer. The board of health voted in support of the emergency sewer connection. They are here this evening to bring this request before the Sewer Commissioner's for their consideration to connect to town sewer. When Mr. Morse met with DPW they looked at different options to connect to the sewer system. Mr. Vegnani asked to see a map of the property. Mr. Morse showed the Selectmen the map. Mr. Morse is looking at three different options. The first was Egypt Beach Road which was a newly paved road. That connection was ruled out with DPW back in January, 2017. Mr. Morse spoke with Sean

McCarthy, DPW engineer this week and they looked at two other options. Option 1 is to bore a hole for a new pipe underneath Hatherly Road. We could drill under the street and not have to touch the asphalt itself. This would be for a pump system with a grinder pump. It would pump from the home to the sewer connection in the Egypt Beach parking lot. Option 2, 303 Hatherly Road had a pipe installed in 2006. It is a 6 inch PVC pipe and this option would be good so we do not have to go under Hatherly Road and it is a gravity system. After discussion with the property owner today, they were amenable to letting Mr. Morse use this connection. Both of these options were presented on January 24<sup>th</sup> and again this past Monday. Option 2 is the best option. It is a six inch PVC line that is more than adequate for two houses. Mr. Harris asked if the line was privately owned by Rosemary Ford and if she was agreeable to the connection. Mr. Morse said yes and he had spoken with Mrs. Ford that day and she was willing to work with them for this connection. Mr. Vegnani asked if this was town land or privately owned. Mr. Morse said they would be working along the right of way of Hatherly Road, outside the pavement. The connection to the pipe itself would be in the roadway layout. It is town owned land. Mr. Harris asked if there was a main line that went in front of the house and Mr. Morse said there is not. Mr. Morse provided Mr. Harris a picture of the layout of the sewer system for that home. These two properties were totally bypassed by this sewer line. Mr. Harris said this house should have been tied in a long time ago.

Move to approve an emergency sewer connection for Parcel ID # 28-22-4-F, 301 Hatherly Road pending connection agreement with the DPW. Motion by Ms. Curran second by Mr. Harris Unanimous Vote (4-0)

Articles for April 26, 2017Annual & Special Town Meeting, Patricia Vinchesi, Town Administrator and Nancy Holt, Finance Director and Town Accountant There are four items on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Nancy Holt reviewed article 1 with the board. There is 400 tons of salt remaining in the salt shed. We will not purchase more until the summer salt sale.

Article 1 FY17 Budget Reconciliation

Article 2 Community Preservation Act Reconciliations

# Selectmen John Danehey joined the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Article 3 Establishment of Golf Enterprise Capital Stabilization Fund Article 4 FEMA Flood Map Revision

Move that the Board of Selectmen approve the warrant for the April 26, 2017 Special Town Meeting contingent upon any further changes by Town Counsel and/or the Town Administrator. Motion by Mr. Danehey Second by Mr. Vegnani Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Articles for Town Meeting were reviewed by Ms. Vinchesi Article 1 Compensation for Elected Officials Article 2 Reports of Board s and Committees

Article 3 Capital Improvement Plan

Item M, the demolition of the police station was discussed. Mr. Vegnani said it is old, has asbestos and he is in favor of demolition of the building. Ms. Curran agrees that the building should be demolished. The Capital planning members who voted against it said there was no overall plan and they needed a plan before they voted in favor. Mr. O'Toole agrees it should be demolished. Mr. Danehey took a tour this week and said there is no other primary usefulness of the space. He is in agreement to demolish the old police station building. There is a memorial for a fallen police officer back from the 1930's and it needs to be put in a place where people can see it and be recognized. Ms. Vinchesi said the memorial is going to the new site. Mr. Harris agrees with the other Selectmen. There is asbestos there in the building. Kevin Kelly has a plan to dismantle the building in phases. It may not come in this high a price.

Article 4 Fiscal year 2018 Operating Budget

Ms. Vinchesi said that Article 5-9 is the annual enterprise funds.

Article 5 Waterways Enterprise Fund

Article 6 Golf Course Enterprise Fund

Article 7 Wastewater Enterprise Fund

Mr. Vegnani said we are looking to expand our current system. We do not want to come back and raise everyone's rates.

Article 8 Transfer Station Enterprise Fund

Article 9 Water Enterprise Fund

Article 10 Stabilization Fund Excess Levy

**Article 11 Community Preservation** 

Item 18 was discussed by the Selectmen regarding the study of land at Clapp Road for playing fields. Ms. Curran asked if we should have maps on hand for town meeting. Ms. Vinchesi will check to see what will be included in the Advisory book.

Article 12 Community Preservation Act Reconciliations

Article 13 Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 91 Liability

Article 14 Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Temporary Moratorium on Sale and Distribution of Recreational Marijuana

Ms. Vinchesi said there will be a public hearing regarding article 15 at the next Board of Selectmen meeting. Mr. Vegnani said this role is critical for the town to advance. We need more visionary. Ms. Vinchesi said this is revenue neutral and has the unanimous vote of the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission and the Economic Development Committee. Ms. Curran said it will realign the reporting structure.

Article 15 Administrative Code Change: Department of Planning and Development and Director of Planning and Development

Article 16 General Bylaw Amendment: Revolving Funds

Ms. Holt reviewed the updated Town Side budget. The \$1,000 Beautification budget was increased. Planning and Conservation asked for additional funds to expand hours for additional

support. Storm water review support is needed and the town needs a subject matter expert for this function. Additional funds allocated for DPW highway equipment to include a new sander. Increase for the Treasurer/Collector position of hours and addition of responsibilities and the increase cost of bill printing services. Additional budget item for the DPW Highway superintendent stipend increase. Combined dispatch training funding for training needs. Capital outlay request for six additional portable handheld radios for the police to replace nonfunctioning radios. Every one of these items was requested in the budgets submitted December 5, 2016 to the Town Administrator. There is \$120,000 remaining that the Town Administrator recommends be used for FY19 to offset some budget items.

Move that the Board of Selectmen approve the warrant for the April 26, 2017 Annual Town Meeting contingent upon any further changes by Town Counsel and/or the Town Administrator. Motion by Ms. Curran Second by Mr. Vegnani Unanimous Vote (5-0)

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

One Day Liquor Licenses

a. Taylor Made Bartending,@ Inly School for Fundraiser,  $4/9/17\ 3\ pm-5\ pm$  Move to approve a one day wine and malt license for Taylor Made Bartenders for a fundraiser at the Inly School on 4/9/17, 3-5pm. Motion by Mr. Danehey Second by Mr. Vegnani Unanimous Vote (5-0)

# **OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Correspondence

Public Meeting of Scituate Housing Authority on April 3rd at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall.

Approval of Meeting Minutes
Move that the Board of Selectmen approve the meeting minutes for the March 21,
2017 meeting. Motion by Mr. Danehey Second by Ms. Curran Unanimous Vote (5 0)

Mr. Vegnani attended the Scituate Cultural Council open house and it was a good turnout. A good group of people were running the open house. The parade was a well-organized event again this year. Mr. Harris asked the DPW to take a look at the intersection of Ronnie Shone's. Ms. Vinchesi said people like the 4 way stop. The four finalists for Superintendent and three candidates were selected to visit school districts. The committee will release the names when the candidates are confirmed.

3. Adjournment and Signing of Documents

Move that the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property. – Archdiocese of Boston, and the Ellis Property and to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body. – Fire Motion to move into executive session by roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. O'Toole - yes

Mr. Vegnani - yes

Ms. Curran - yes

Mr. Danehey - yes

Mr. Harris - yes

The Selectmen adjourned the open session and moved into executive session at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorraine Devin, Recorder

# LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR MARCH 29, 2017 BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

- Agenda
- Water and Sewer Abatement Request Parcel ID #39-5-3-0
- Emergency Sewer Connection Parcel ID #28-22-4
- Special and Annual Town Meeting Warrant for approval
- Background Information for Town Meeting Warrant
- Town Side Budget Summary
- One Day Wine & Malt License Application
- Correspondence Notice of Public Meeting of the Scituate Housing Authority
- Board of Selectmen Minutes for March 21, 2017 for approval

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for March 29, 2017

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