

Board of Selectmen **Workshop Meeting Minutes** **February 10, 2015**

The workshop meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room by Chairman Erik Tolley. Selectmen present: Norm Holcomb, Tracy Post, and Michael Stone. Also in attendance: Town Administrator, William Hinchey. The Board of Selectmen gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roundtable Discussion on Heroin and Opiate Addiction

Chairman Tolley opened the meeting with an overview of the heroin and opiate addiction issue confronting Yarmouth, Cape Cod, the Commonwealth and the entire country. The following state and local officials were present:

Senator Dan Wolf
Rep. Tim Whelan
Rep. Brian Mannal
District Attorney Michael O'Keefe
Sheriff James Cummings
Beth Albert, Director, Barnstable County Human Services
Cheryl Bartlett, Executive Director, Cape Cod Regional Substance Abuse
Prevention Initiative, Cape Cod Healthcare
Tanya Daigneault, Director, Yarmouth Board of Health
Dr. Hillard Boskey, Board of Health
Yarmouth Police Chief Frank Frederickson
Yarmouth Acting Fire Chief Phil Simonian
Yarmouth Health Dept. Director Bruce Murphy

Chief Frederickson presented a PowerPoint brief on Yarmouth Police Department's statistics on calls received specifically relating to heroin overdoses for 2013 and 2014. In response to Selectman Holcomb's request, Cheryl Bartlett provided background on the "typical" profile of heroin users. Acting Fire Chief Simonian went over the Fire Department's statistics on emergency calls relating to heroin overdoses.

All panel participants provided their perspective, experiences, and thoughts on the epidemic. Examples of actions being taken by other municipalities were also provided.

Chairman Tolley thanked all the panel participants for their attendance and participation and for providing valuable insight into this epidemic.

2. Town Administrator's Items

Consent Agenda:

- a. Cape Cod St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee letter dated January 7, 2015 re: requesting permission to hold its 10th annual Saint Patrick's Parade on March 7, 2015.
- b. Emergency Expenditures for Snow and Ice Removal

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen accept the Consent Agenda.

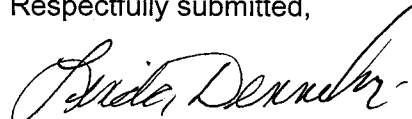
Motion by: Tracy Post Seconded by: Mike Stone Yea 4 Nay 0

Adjourn

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Tracy Post Seconded by: Mike Stone Yea 4 Nay 0

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Dennehy

DISTRIBUTED MATERIAL AGENDA PACKET

- Massachusetts Law Section 34A Immunity from prosecution under Secs. 34 or 35 for persons seeking medical assistance for self or other experiencing drug-related overdose
- Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health Information Sheet
- National Institute of on Drug Abuse: Drug Facts: Nationwide Trends
- National Institute on Drug Abuse Fact Sheet: Heroin
- Delaware's Heroin Crisis
- National Institute on Drug Abuse Fact Sheet: Overdose Death Rates
- Cape Cod Health Care Press Release on Cheryl Bartlett
- Cape Cod St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee letter dated January 7, 2015
- Emergency Expenditures for Snow and Ice Removal
- Board of Health Meeting Agenda for February 9, 2015