



Board of Selectmen
Public Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2015

The regular 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, James Quirk, and Michael Stone. Also attending: Town Administrator, William Hinchey. The Board of Selectmen gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Announcement and Comments

Andrea St. Germain provided updates to the Board on the following items:

- *Superintendent Woodbury spoke at an event regarding the positive effects of the Calmer Choices program within our District.*
- *A free concert is being held tonight at D-Y High School.*
- *Jacob Frommeyer, a 12-year old, special needs student, is seeking to raise money to participate in the Best Buddies Challenge. Donations can be made at: bestbuddieschallenge.org/afrommeyer726.*
- *Boston Globe sponsored the Fine Arts competition and District students who submitted works are being recognized for their work.*
- *Ezra Baker Elementary School is preparing for Comcast Care Day on April 25th whereby participants and volunteers will paint and beautify the school.*
- *Mattacheese Elementary School is partnering with Northeastern University Center in a program to enhance science through experiments and demonstrations.*

Vida Morris commented on the Aquacultural Research Corp. (ARC) project, asking why Yarmouth is contributing to what appears to be a commercial venture in Dennis. Mr. Hinchey explained that the warrant article being proposed by the Community Preservation Committee is a deed restriction designed to prohibit wind turbine construction and to preserve the land for conservation and passive recreational use.

Ms. Morris asked about tonight's agenda item "Discuss strategy with respect to potential litigation." Chairman Tolley explained that this item is an executive session item not open to public discussion at this time.

Ms. Morris commented on the potential for the District to invest a significant amount of money for computers for the schools as the standardized testing will be computer based in the future.

Mr. Tom Nickinello, Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce, mentioned the new "Hello Spring Guide" which includes activities available in Yarmouth through the end of May; the Fishermen's Yard Sale being held at the Moose Lodge to raise funds to assist veterans; and the Seaside Auction being held at the Red Jacket.

Mr. Curt Sears commented that he attended a couple of meetings recently on the ARC project and that he supports Yarmouth being a party to the conservation restriction for this land, otherwise Yarmouth would "lose its voice" on this issue.

2. Annual Town Election (ATE) Actions

Mr. Hinchey explained that based on the D-Y Regional School Committee's actions at their April 13, 2015 meeting in which they reduced their budget by \$191,000; the override is now \$323,921. The proposed election warrant reflects those amounts. Discussion was held on options available to the Board in terms of presenting the override at Town Meeting.

Chairman Tolley mentioned that there is no agenda item to discuss and/or vote on the override and is therefore not comfortable voting a recommendation on the override. Chairman Tolley asked that this item be added to the agenda for the April 28, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen approve and sign the Election Ballot as amended.
Motion by: Tracy Post Seconded by: Norm Holcomb Yea 5 Nay 0

The Board signed the ATE Ballot.

3. Board of Selectmen

- a. Board and Committee Actions: None.
- b. Approval of Minutes.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes for March 24, 2015 and March 31, 2015.
Motion by: Jim Quirk Seconded by: Norm Holcomb Yea 5 Nay 0

c. Individual Items:

1) Selectman Stone commented that many residents are not aware that Town Meeting is on a Saturday this year. He suggested we aggressively advertise the day and date of Town Meeting. Mr. Hinchey stated we will use several avenues to advertise the day, date, and time of Town Meeting.

2) Selectman Stone thanked DPW for the efforts over the winter on the snow and ice removal to our roads and streets.

3) Selectmen Quirk commented on the excellent Art Program within our District Schools.

4) Selectmen Holcomb commented on the Retired Men's Club attempt to hold their golf event at Bayberry Golf Course but were not accommodated due to the lack of revenue potential.

5) Selectmen Holcomb also commented on the School Committee's use of their alert system last year and that their use of public equipment to disseminate information to a limited audience was deemed a misuse of funds.

6) Chairman Tolley commented that there is a lot of non-resident interest in our petition articles and asked if Town Meeting will be televised and live-streamed on our website. Mr. Hinchey assured him both options are working and will be available.

4. Town Administrator's Items

a. Consent Agenda:

1) Marshall Farley, Manager, Pancake Man, letter dated April 1, 2015 requesting an extension of their seasonal alcohol license to January 15, 2016.

2) Donations:

- YFD from:
 - Josephine Brodeur \$10.00
 - TOPS \$75.00
 - TOTAL \$85.00**

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen approve the consent agenda.

Motion by: Jim Quirk

Seconded by: Norm Holcomb

Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Town Administrator Updates: Mr. Hinchey informed the Board that lunch will be available at Town Meeting.

5. Adjourn

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

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Jim Quirk

Yea 5 Nay 0

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Dennehy

DISTRIBUTED MATERIAL AGENDA PACKET

- 2015 ATE Warrant
- Minutes for BOS Meeting of March 24, 2015
- Minutes for BOS Meeting of March 31, 2015
- Letter to BOS from Marshall Farley, Manager, Pancake Man, dated April 1, 2015 re: extension of seasonal alcohol license
- (2) Memos to Town Administrator from YFD dated March 31, 2015 re: Gifts
- Board of Selectmen Projected 2015 Agenda Items
- YPD Use of Force Flyer
- Memo to BOS from Asst. Health Director dated April 3, 2015 re: Update on Raccoon Rabies Vaccine Baiting in Yarmouth
- FINCOM Agenda for April 1, 2015
- Board of Health Agenda for April 6, 2015