

Minutes
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
April 7, 2009

Attendance: Selectmen – Suzanne McAuliffe, Jim Hoben, Dr. Marasco, Jerry Sullivan, Bud Groskopf; Town Administrator – Robert C. Lawton Jr.

Public:

Bob Howard, S. Yarmouth – Mr. Howard expresses his concerns with Dr. Marasco's behavior during the "Pledge of Allegiance" at the March 24th, 2009 Board of Selectmen's meeting. Dr. Marasco says he would like to focus on town issues rather than personal problems.

Tom Sullivan Government Oversight Committee – He indicates the Government Oversight Committee is collecting addresses of military personnel residing in Yarmouth in order for residents to send thank you notes. He also encourages all Yarmouth residents to come to Town Meeting on May 4th.

Licensing:

1) Discussion/Policy – Alcohol Service on Golf Courses

Jim Armentrout, Golf Director reviews the pros of providing an alcoholic beverage service on the golf courses. He indicates that controlling the alcohol will be easier if there is an approved beverage service. Ms. McAuliffe reviews the new state law that allows alcoholic beverages on golf courses.

Resident golfers comment on the alcoholic service on the golf course. Several suggestions include developing a written code of conduct and setting up designated areas where sales would take place to ensure that play is not interrupted. Mr. Armentrout says he has not experienced slower play when alcohol was served on the courses.

Bob Dubois Executive Director to the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce approves of selling alcoholic beverages on the golf courses. He says that this service will improve tourism. The Board continues to discuss the pros and cons of alcoholic beverages on the courses. Chief Almonte believes that there will be more eyes available for regulation if liquor is licensed on the course. Chief Almonte does not feel that this change in licensing will put an undue burden on the courses, unless the licensee calls the Police too often for regulation.

2) Bass River Grille – Bass River Golf Course, Highbank Rd. So. Yarmouth - Change of Premises, Service of Alcohol on Bass River Golf Course

Dr. Marasco reviews the request from Mr. Bill Moran Bass River Grille. Mr. Moran explains the request to change his liquor license to include the entire golf course. The Board discusses the logistics of serving liquor on the golf course. Ms. McAuliffe motions to close the hearing. Mr. Groskopf seconds. VOTE 5-0

Dr. Marasco is concerned with allowing hard liquor on the course. Ms. McAuliffe says that she will support the license because it will allow for more control on the course. Ms. McAuliffe motions to accept the change of premises on the liquor license for Bass River Grille with the restrictions outlined in the Bass River Grille memo dated March 31st, 2009 and Golf Department memo. Mr. Groskopf seconds. Vote 5-0.

3) New Liquor & Weekday & Sunday Entertainment License for 43 Rte. 6A, Inc. dba Lyric (formerly Abbicci) Yarmouth Port

Dr. Marasco reads the advertisement for the new liquor license. Ford and Ann O'Connor review the type of service to be offered at Lyric. Mr. & Mrs. O'Connor explain that they would like the exact same licenses that the previous establishment had. The O'Connor's describe their

pervious experience. There is no public comment. Ms. McAuliffe motions to close the hearing. Mr. Sullivan seconds. VOTE 5-0.

Mr. Groskopf motions to grant the license as requested. Ms. McAuliffe seconds. VOTE 5-0.

FY10 Budget & Capital Improvement Plan Hearing:

Mr. Lawton reviews the FY10 budget. (see attached PowerPoint) Mr. Lawton says that he's very impressed with the amount of work the Department Heads have done to keep costs down for the tax payer. The Board discusses how the budget cuts have effective all the town departments.

Patrick Foran, Chairman of the Finance Committee reviews the Finance Committee's budget recommendations. The Board discusses the stabilization fund.

Peter Johnson-Staub Assistant Town Administrator reviews the capital budget. (see attached PowerPoint) Lu Matrascia from the Capital Committee reviews the challenges that lie ahead if capital spending is not increased in the future when the economy rebounds. She says the Capital Budget Committee would like to work with the Finance Committee on a strategic plan to increase capital spending. Dr. Marasco speaks about sustainability and restructuring. The Board discusses capital exemption options.

Carol Woodbury the D-Y Superintendent reviews the newest budget figures on the D-Y school budget request (see attached PowerPoint). She indicates that the new assessment to Yarmouth is \$23,144,104 with a total increase of 2.58% from last year. Ms. Woodbury reviews how the school reached a level funded budget. She reviews several topics including special education spending and teacher salaries. The Board discusses the assessments between Dennis and Yarmouth. Ms. Woodbury comments on school choice issues and the amount of children leaving the district. She says the district is always concentrating on improving the workforce within the district and ensuring that quality teachers want to come to the district. The Selectmen thank the School Committee for working hard to reduce their budget.

Appointments & Resignation:

1. Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority – Appointment T.O.Y. Representative from the Disability Commission

Mr. Hoben recommends one non-voting representative to the Cape Disability Commission. Ms. McAuliffe motions to approve the appointment. Mr. Groskopf seconds. VOTE 5-0

2. Board of Health Appointment – (1) regular position

Mr. Hoben recommends one regular position to the Board of Health. Ms. McAuliffe motions to approve the appointment. Mr. Sullivan seconds. VOTE 5-0

3. Scholarship Committee - Resignation

Mr. Hoben regrettfully accepts one resignation for the Scholarship Committee. Ms. McAuliffe moves to accept the resignation. Mr. Groskopf seconds. VOTE 5-0

Selectmen's Items:

1. Approval of BOS Minutes for 3-3-09

2. Approval of BOS Executive Session Minutes for 3-24-09

3. Approval of BOS Open Session Minutes for 3-24-09

Mr. Groskopf motions to approve the minutes. Mr. Hoben seconds. VOTE 5-0 Mr. Sullivan abstains for the meetings on March 24th, 2009.

Town Administrator's Items:

Consent Agenda

Mr. Hoben motions to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Groskopf seconds. VOTE 5-0

St. David's Church

The Board agrees to allow the St. David's Church hold their carnival on the John Sears Field.

Yarmouth Pride Day

Mr. Lawton reviews the details of the Yarmouth Pride Day.

Adjourn:

Motioned. Seconded. VOTE 5-0 Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:08pm.

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Donation to General Fund:

Hearing Room Rental	\$150.00
Donation to the Fire Department	
From Mrs. White	\$ 50.00
Donation to the Police Department	
Training Donations	
Town of Brewster	\$ 60.00
Town of Dennis	\$ 60.00
Town of Duxbury	\$300.00
Town of East Bridgewater	\$120.00
Town of Lakeville	\$180.00
Town of Plymouth	\$200.00
Thomas Carlson	\$ 50.00
Acton-Boxborough Regional School	\$405.00
Town of Brookline	\$120.00
Town of Marion	\$ 60.00
Town of North Kingstown	\$270.00
Town of Randolph	\$405.00
Town of Wellfleet	<u>\$135.00</u>
Total Donations	\$2,565.00

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Votes: 5-0