

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
AUGUST 25, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Daniel Trabucco (Chairman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Vice-Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Clerk), Michelle Burt (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Town Administrator), Linda McCollum, Eugenia King, Kay Kopper, Joanne McClune, Penny Winn, Derith Meyer, Andy Goodman, Shannon (Pembroke Mariner Express), Sabrina Chilcott (Executive Assistant), and others.

At 7:00 pm, Mr. Trabucco called the meeting to order.

**PEMBROKE CULTURAL COUNCIL: BECKY HALETKY WATERCOLOR PRESENTATION  
LINDA MCCOLLUM, EUGENIA KING**

Ms. McCollum and Ms. King were present before the Board to present the most recent watercolor painting by artist Becky Haletky entitled "Tree Lighting Ceremony 2013" and depicting the most recent Tree Lighting Ceremony in December 2013 on the Town Green. Photographs were taken. Ms. McCollum advised that the painting will be on display in the Selectmen's office.

**7:00 KAY KOPPER, PENNY WINN, DERITH MEYER, JOANNE MCCLUNE: "CLEAN  
STREETS IN PEMBROKE"**

Ms. Kopper and Ms. McClune presented a proposal to the Board of a citizens group to organize a town-wide day of roadside cleanup throughout the Town. They requested assistance from the Board in procuring the Town Green and the bandstand; a roll off container, dumpster or trash truck for collection; volunteers from corresponding town departments to assist in the project on the Green and assistance in promoting the event through Pembroke's electronic media mechanisms. The group will be working to promote the event as well and reaching out to local businesses for possible donations of gloves, bags and other necessary items. Ms. Kopper requested the use of the electronic sign in the center of town; Mr. Trabucco requested that the Town Administrator coordinate that effort.

**CONSIDER THE USE OF TOWN ROADS: ANDY GOODMAN, PAN MASS CHALLENGE KIDS  
RIDE**

Mr. Goodman was present before the Board to request the use of Learning Lane, Hobomock Street, Lake Street, Standish Street, Forest Street, Valley Street and Plain Street for a PMC Kids Ride on June 14, 2015 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. Mr. Boyle moved to approve the use of the Town's roads as listed with the approval of the Police Chief. Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**CONSIDER DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMIT REQUEST: DEPENDABLE  
CLEANERS, BRANDON BRADSHAW**

Applicant has requested that item be postponed until the Board's next available meeting.

**CONSIDER APPLICANTS TO PEMBROKE DRUG PREVENTION COALITION: NICOLE  
PEDRO AND GREG TROIANO**

Mr. Boyle moved to appoint Nicole Pedro of 109 Barker Street and Greg Troiano of 38 Lily's Way to the Pembroke Drug Prevention Coalition. Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**VOTE TO ALLOW TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN ENERGY PROCUREMENT  
CONTRACT**

Mr. Thorne advised that the current energy purchasing contract expires December 2014; daily the energy charges are reviewed for favorable rates. This is a joint procurement of Constellation Energy through the MMA with potential savings to the Town of 1-2%. Mr. Thorne will keep the Board updated on the status of rates and terms. Mr. Boyle moved the Town Administrator's recommendation; Ms. Burt seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### **CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2014**

Mr. Stone moved to accept the minutes of August 11, 2014 as written; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Trabucco reviewed the composition of the Town Government Study Committee; Mr. Paul Burke has submitted his resignation from the committee which will leave a vacancy. Mr. Boyle moved to accept Mr. Burke's resignation; Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Thorne presented the results of the survey for residents to vote on Monday Town Hall hours; on Friday the results were tied. As of the surveys end, the old hours for Monday had twenty more votes. Mr. Trabucco and Ms. Burt stated that they have spoken with departments heads who report heavier traffic in the building and favorable feedback from residents on Monday evening continuous hours. Discussion ensued. Mr. Stone stated he would like feedback from the department heads on the effect of the new evening hours and the prior schedule. Mr. Trabucco stated that staff feedback indicates that remaining open continuously through 6:30pm more appropriately serves the public. Mr. Boyle voiced his original opposition to the change in hours, but that the results of unfettered public access to the building and its services prior to board meetings has convinced him of the merits and he suggested extending the trial period past the end of daylight savings. Mr. Stone moved to extend the trial period of Town Hall Monday hours from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm through December 31, 2014. Ms. Burt seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Trabucco requested that the Town Administrator update the Board on Representative Cutler's recent activities at an upcoming Selectmen's meeting.

### **ASK THE SELECTMEN**

Mr. Stone received correspondence from a resident stating that Comcast now charges residents \$30 plus \$5 to ship modem replacement batteries and that this is a change to the services initially provided. Mr. Stone requested the status of a Comcast representative appearing before the Board. Mr. Trabucco confirmed that the representative has not yet responded the Board's request and he instructed the Town Administrator to schedule the next available representative. Mr. Trabucco additionally stated that the Board has reached out to both Representative Cutler's and Senate President Therese Murray's office to help propel the Route 53 and Pleasant Street traffic signal project forward. MassDOT has sent the Town a letter explaining that the project is not delayed and is scheduled in the queue going as quickly as the process allows.

### **UPCOMING ISSUES**

Mr. Trabucco stated that on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm the warrant for Special Town Meeting on October 28<sup>th</sup> will close. Mr. Boyle stated that there is a meeting at 91 Glenwood Road on Thursday, August 28 for neighbors and interested residents regarding area traffic, trash accumulation and related issues.

At 7:45 pm, Mr. Stone made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.