

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

PRESENT: Daniel W. Trabucco (Chairman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Vice-Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Clerk), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Selectman), Michelle L. Burt (Selectman), Joseph Quaresimo, Richard Giragosian, Paul Atwater, Steve Hall, Matt Dovell, Art Egerton, Mark Burrige (Pembroke Mariner Express), Sabrina Chilcott (Executive Assistant), and others.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Council on Aging announces that they will be hosting an Open House for seniors, residents and friends to visit and spend some time with the departing director on Wednesday, December 10th from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Mrs. Mary Willis is retiring after thirty years of dedication and faithful service as the Director of the Pembroke COA. Ms. Burt announced that the Board of Health will be holding a public flu clinic on December 10th at the library from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm and in the BOH office on January 5th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm for residents 19 years of age or older. Mr. Stone stated that the Mayflower Retired and Senior Volunteer Program for Plymouth County presented their Presidents Volunteer Service Award to three Pembroke women to honor them for their volunteerism, Iris Copobianco, Loretta Cook and Doris Cronin.

7:00 PASTORAL REQUEST FOR BOS VOTE REGARDING SUNDAY PERMIT HOURS

Pastor Joe Quaresimo, Reverend Richard Giragosian and Pastor Paul Atwater were present before the Board requesting that the BOS vote to prohibit the use of town property prior to 1:00 pm on Sundays. Pastor Quaresimo read the letter and Reverend Giragosian expressed concerns over the difficult choices families must make. Pastor Atwater stated that the pastors come in the spirit of cooperation not protest and they share the concern for the welfare of the town's residents. Mr. Trabucco thanked the pastors for their message and stated he supports bringing forth their message to begin open dialogue, but he is not in favor of restricting the hour son town property. Mr. Boulter expressed his respect and understanding of faith and stated his appreciation for the progress of changing times allowing more access to services as more services are offered. Mr. Boyle stated that he was opposed to legislating this issue and hopes to harness all of these voices to bring this message forth and allow people to make their own choices. Mr. Stone shared his personal priorities but stated that he doesn't feel that it would be appropriate for the Board to prohibit groups from using town land on Sunday; he stated that he looks forward to hearing feedback from residents on the subject. Mr. Trabucco suggested that the subject bears more discussion in the future but that the Board, based on the Boards feedback tonight, will not take further action on this matter. Mr. Boulter offered the consideration of signing a letter to town boards, committees and commissions requesting that they consider resident's observances when they debate scheduling events on Sunday. Pastor Quaresimo appreciated the idea of a letter discouraging scheduling events on Sunday and stated that the pastoral board felt well received and heard by the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Trabucco suggested the possibility of a survey to request resident's feedback on the subject be posted on the town website.

At 7:45pm, Pastor Joe Quaresimo, Reverend Richard Giragosian and Pastor Paul Atwater exited the meeting.

CONSIDER USE OF OLDHAM POND BY RAYN-WATER BASS CLUB ON APRIL 12, 2015

Discussion ensued on a Sunday event. Mr. Boulter moved to postpone discussion of this event until after the first of the year; Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was 2/3 against; Boulter and Stone voted in favor of postponement, Boyle, Burt and Trabucco against. Motion failed. Mr. Boyle moved to grant the application of Rayn-Water Bass Club to hold a catch and release bass fishing tournament on Oldham Pond on April 12, 2015 as approved by the Conservation Commission with their requested restrictions, pending the approval of the Chief of Police. Ms. Burt seconded the motion; the vote was 3/2 in favor with Boyle, Burt and Trabucco in favor and Stone and Boulter opposed.

**CONSIDER APPOINTMENT: RENEE KELLY TO PEMBROKE DRUG REVENTION
COALITION**

Mr. Boyle moved to appoint applicant Renee Kelly of 75 Toole Trail to the Pembroke Drug Prevention Coalition; Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE TO APPOINT FULL TIME POSITION: COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Mr. Stone moved that applicant Christine Quinn of Easton be appointed the Pembroke Council on Aging Director; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. Discussion ensued on the candidate's qualifications and experience. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Thorne thanked the Council on Aging Board of Directors Selection Committee for their hard work in the process.

CONSIDER USE OF TOWN'S ROADS: HOPHEAD RACE MANAGEMENT FOR 615 RAW BAR & GRILL: PEMBROKE FOOD PANTRY BENEFIT ROAD RACE, SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Steven Hall of HopHead Race Management on behalf of 615 Raw Bar & Grill appeared before the Board to hold a fundraising road race benefitting The Pembroke Food Pantry on Saturday, March 21, 2015 from 10:30am to 12:15pm. He has spoken with Lieutenant Clauss to review the race route and discuss the scheduling of police detail(s). The proposed race route, as last year, starting line at Edgewater Drive, right onto Miramar Drive, circle around the cul-de-sac, take a right onto Edgewater, left onto Sunset Way, then right onto Juniper Lane and left back onto Edgewater Drive. Mr. Hall stated he will improve signage by placing a sign the week before to notify residents; Mr. Boulter requested that he place one on Reservoir Road as well. Mr. Boulter moved to grant the request for the use of the Town's roads on March 15 from 10:45 am to 12:15 pm by HopHead Race Management on behalf of 615 Raw Bar & Grill for a road race to benefit the Pembroke Food Pantry pending the approval of the Police Chief. Ms. Burt seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Mr. Boyle moved to adopt a meeting schedule for the months of December and January, subject to the call of the Chairman should the need arise, of meetings on Monday, Dec. 15, Monday, Jan. 5, Monday, Jan. 12 with regular, weekly meetings to resume on Monday, Jan. 26. Ms. Burt seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 1, 2014

Mr. Boyle moved to table the minutes of December 1, 2014 for one week; Ms. Burt seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Stone reported on the traffic safety committee that met to review the intersection of Lake and Plain Streets. He reported that accident reports were reviewed and the site was visited. Brush and trees were identified for trimming to improve visibility, signage improvement recommendations were made and signs were ordered. The state has concluded that this intersection does not meet the criteria for a four way stop. The state will be following up to suggest other improvements that can be made and this report will be available after the first of the year. Mr. Boulter volunteered to represent the Town on the Central Plymouth County Water District Advisory Board. Mr. Boyle moved to appoint Willard J. Boulter, Jr. as Pembroke's representative to the CPCWDA; Ms. Burt seconded the motion. Consensus was achieved on the motion.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Thorne stated that the DPW Director has requested that a 1994 Ford F250 truck be declared surplus property to scrap as the frame is rotted and it not safe to auction; Mr. Boyle moved the recommendation of the DPW Director. Ms. Burt seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Thorne requested that the Board vote to sign and send the form required to complete the process for a Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion as approved by MassDOT on High Street from Duxbury to Center Street and Mountain Avenue from High Street to Center Street. Mr. Boyle moved to submit the memorandum dated December 8, 2014 to restrict truck traffic on High Street and Mountain Avenue by endorsed by the BOS; Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Thorne announced that the Town of Pembroke was awarded Green Community status at the Governor's Reception Wednesday morning at the State House;

thirteen towns statewide received the status. The Town received \$174,400 in grant money toward improvements in the overall energy system to the town. A complete list of pending submissions will be available after the first of the year. Mr. Thorne thanked the Energy Committee for their hard work in obtaining this status, and the School Committee for their support.

ASK THE SELECTMEN

Mr. Boulter stated that received a call regarding a stone that had fallen from the stone wall in the cemetery; Mr. Boulter has spoken with the DPW Director who has scheduled the repair as soon as is possible.

At 8:20 pm, Mr. Stone moved to enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; Mr. Trabucco so declared and Ms. Burt seconded the motion.

By roll call vote: Mr. Boyle – yes, Ms. Burt – yes, Mr. Stone – yes, Mr. Boulter – yes, Mr. Trabucco – yes.