

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2012**

PRESENT: Gregory M. Hanley (Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Vice Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Clerk), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Town Administrator), Rick Nolan, Trish Johnson, Kathleen Keegan, Kyle Harney, Anne Marie Stanton, Bill Hussey, Mike Suckow, Sabrina Chilcott (Executive Assistant), Pat Ronan (Patriot Ledger), Erica (PACTV Cable), Mike Melanson (Pembroke Mariner Express), Charlie Mathewson (WATD) and others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Boulter introduced Stop and Shop District Manager Rick Nolan and Theresa Johnson; Stop and Shop presented the 300th Anniversary Committee with a check for \$3500.00; Mr. Boulter presented Stop and Shop with a certificated and a limited edition commemorative pewter Anniversary plate in thanks. Mr. Boulter thanked Kyle Harney for all of his work with the Pembroke 300th Anniversary Committee.

7:15 KATHLEEN KEEGAN: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TREE LIGHTING FUNDING REQUEST

Ms. Keegan was present before the Board representing the Tree lighting committee; last year they began a conversion to commercial grade LED lights and were able to light five more trees than years past. The committee requests \$3000 this year for more lights and events on the Green. The expenses last year totaled \$7500; Mr. Hanley verified that the BOS approved a \$4500 funding request. Ms. Keegan confirmed that the remaining funds were raised by fundraising at the event. The first meeting of the Tree Lighting Committee will be Wednesday, September 19 at Oliveira's at 6:30 pm and everyone is welcome to join. Mr. Hanley stated this request will be referred to Advisory for a recommendation.

CONSIDER THE REQUEST OF THE KIWANIS' FOR ANNUAL TREE SALE: REED HOLLOW FARM, HERRING RUN PARK

Mr. Mike Suckow and Mr. Bill Hussey were present before the Board to request a Roadside Stand permit to sell Christmas trees at Reed Hollow Farm from December 1st through December 25th and at Thomas Redding Memorial Park at the Herring Run from December 8th through December 16th. Mr. Boyle moved to grand a Roadside Stand permit to the Kiwanis' to sell Christmas trees at Reed Hollow Farm from December 1st through December 25th and at Thomas Redding Memorial Park at the Herring Run from Saturday, December 8th through Saturday, December 16th, Monday through Friday from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm and weekends from 9:00 to 8:00 pm with the Herring Run approval being conditional upon the approval of the Conservation Commission. Mr. Boulter seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER DECLARATION OF SURPLUS

DPW Director Eugene Fulmine has requested 6 vehicles and a roto rooter with trailer to be declared surplus property; 1994 Ford F350 Ambulance, 1995 Chevrolet ½ Ton Pickup, 1983 Allis Chalmers, 2008 Ford Crown Vic (2) and a scrap vehicle 1997 Doge Ram 3500. Mr. Thorne stated the vehicles are housed at the DPW garage and proceeds of the sale will be placed in the Towns capital fund. Mr. Boyle moved to schedule an auction for the sale of surplus vehicles as submitted by the DPW Director with the caveat that the BOS have the right to refuse and all bids. Mr. Stone seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER PROJECT NEED FORM CONTRACT AWARD

Mr. Thorne explained that the Town advertised for an engineer regarding the Route 53/Pleasant Street project need form required for MassDOT in the Central Register and then had a pre-submission meeting to discuss the project need form in advance. These bids were due ten days ago. A meeting was held with the low bidder last week, Coler and Colantonio, to ensure they would do the work necessary in a timely fashion. Mr. Thorne presented a timetable; if the Board awards the contract to C&C, notice will be given tomorrow and they have until September 26th to submit the Project Need Form; a public hearing will be

held, MassDOT will conduct a site visit, and then finally a Project Information Form will be submitted with all of the compiled information; MassDOT review committee meets on November 15th. Mr. Boyle moved to award the Project Need Form for the Traffic Signal at Route 53 and Pleasant Street Project to Coler and Colantonio for the price of \$4,000. Mr. Stone seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Hanley stated that the ESCO project update has been postponed.

CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBORAH WALL AND PATRICK CHILCOTT TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER STUDY COMMITTEE

Mr. Hanley stated that both Deborah Wall, the Library Director, and Patrick Chilcott, School Committee Chair, have agreed to volunteer as private citizens and bring their skills to the Community Relations and Administration and Finance Subcommittees, respectively. Mr. Hanley wanted to inform residents that a survey is being posted to the Town website requesting feedback from everyone. Mr. Boulter moved to appoint Deborah Wall and Patrick Chilcott to the CCSC; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Boulter thanked the Hobomock Arena on behalf of the Pembroke 300th Anniversary Committee for a generous \$2500 donation and thanked Richard and Margaret Carrara for allowing the use of their property for events. Mr. Boulter thanked Kohl's Department store for Kohl's Cares Volunteers who have provided staff for events. The 300th Anniversary Road Race on Sunday, September 19th begins at 9:00 am: starts at the Herring Run, crosses to High Street, right on Mountain Avenue, right on Center Street, return to Herring Run. Mr. Boulter stated that the Parade steps off at 1:00 pm with 90 units and 14 bands and is estimated to take two hours. There will be shuttle bus service for participants from the Center to the PHS. Learning Lane will close at 10:00 am and become a one way out only. The means of entry will be the Recycling Center. Participants will receive an information packet with a map of the staging area on arrival; Learning Lane will close both directions at 12:30 pm. Floats may arrive anytime after 10:00 am; the Fire Chief has designated the fire station on Center Street as the first aid station and water stations will be located at Oliveira's and at the Town Green. Volunteers along the route will wear yellow vests and have communication devices to assist residents and participants; for further information, please check www.pembroke300.com.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Thorne proposed a fall Household Hazardous Waste Day; Mr. Valenti has suggested Saturday, October 27 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Mr. Boyle moved the Town Administrator's recommendation; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

ASK THE SELECTMEN

Mr. Stone was contacted by a resident of Spring Street with a well; she stated that after the hurricane with an extended power outage, she was under the belief that National Grid would establish an alternative outage reporting system for homeowners with wells. The Selectmen's office contacted the executive offices at National Grid who have stated they did not and have no plans to establish an alternative reporting system. Mr. Stone followed up on traffic and speeding issues on Valley Street; Chief Ohrenberger states the Police Department will monitor and ticket anyone violating the posted speed limits.

Mr. Hanley requested a representative from National Grid attend a Selectmen's meeting to address outage reporting concerns. Additionally, he requested a representative from PACTV be scheduled for September 24th meeting.

Mr. Stone moved, seconded by Mr. Boulter, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body - Center Preschool.