

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
JANUARY 29, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Matthew J. Furlong (Chairman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Vice-Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Clerk), John G. Brown, Jr. (Selectman), Daniel W. Trabucco (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Interim Town Manager), Carolyn Crossley (Housing Authority Chairman), John McKeown (Housing Authority Director), Thomas Berry, Daniel Robinson, Thomas Weinreich, Michelle O'Connor, Andrew Freeman, Darren MacDonald, Angela Sestito, Brandon Gulnick, Charles Crossley, Beth Dwyer, Paul Dwyer, Stephen Curley, Linda Peterson, Adam Silva (Pembroke Mariner), Arthur Egerton, Sabrina Chilcott (Assistant to the Town Manager), and others.

At 7:30 pm, Mr. Furlong opened the meeting and advised that this meeting is being made available to the public through a live video and audio broadcast on Comcast Government Access Channel 15 and is also being recorded for airing on the channel at future dates. Comments made in open session will be recorded.

**7:30 JOINT APPOINTMENT WITH HOUSING AUTHORITY: INTERIM APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS BERRY, 16 VILLAGE WAY, TO MAY 18, 2019 (VACANCY IN ELECTED ROLE)**

Pembroke Housing Authority Chairman Carolyn Crossley was present before the Board to advise that the Housing Authority has voted unanimously to appoint Thomas Berry to the interim vacancy on the Housing Authority Board through to the town election May 18, 2019. Mr. Berry identified himself and provided background information to the Board. Ms. Crossley moved to appoint Thomas Berry to the vacancy on the Housing Authority as a result of the passing of Joshua Smey; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**VOTE RECOMMENDATION OF COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES: APPOINT DANIEL ROBINSON OF 43 CONGRESS STREET**

The Commission on Disabilities members were present to introduce Mr. Robinson to the Board and voice their recommendation to appoint him to the vacancy on the Commission. Mr. Robinson identified himself and provided background information to the Board. Mr. Boulter moved to appoint Daniel Robinson to the Commission on Disabilities, term to expire 2019; Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**CONSIDER A VOTE TO EXECUTE INTERIM TOWN MANAGER'S CONTRACT: EDWIN THORNE**

Mr. Boyle moved favorable action to execute the Town Manager contract with Ed Thorne; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**DISCUSS SELECTMEN'S RESPONSE TO ZBA REGARDING PROPOSED PROJECT UNDER MGL C.40B RIVER MARSH**

Mr. Boyle stated that he does not support the project and feels it is an abuse of the land, and the Board has been supportive of the area residents and their grave concerns. Mr. Boyle moved to continue legal action against the contractor and further claim our rights to have 1.5% developed land and 10% in the housing category. Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**CONSIDER A VOTE TO APPROVE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE: SOUNDHECK STUDIOS 150 CORP PARK DRIVE**

Mr. Trabucco moved to approve the Live Entertainment license request of the Soundcheck Studios for a Live Entertainment license to be exercised at 150 Corporate Park Drive Mondays through Saturdays until midnight; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

**VOTE TO OPEN SPECIAL WITHIN ANNUAL WARRANT FROM FEBRUARY 4 – FEBRUARY 8**

Mr. Boyle so moved; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

## MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

### **VOTE RECOMMENDATION OF RECREATION COMMISSION: APPOINT MEMBER COREY PENTO CPC REPRESENTATIVE**

Mr. Boulter moved to appoint Corey Pento as the Recreation Commission representative to the Community Preservation Committee, term to expire in 2021; Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### **VOTE TO APPROVE MINUTES JANUARY 8 AND JANUARY 15, 2019**

Mr. Brown moved the minutes of January 8, 2019 as printed; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Brown moved the minutes of January 15, 2019 as printed; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Update on Town Manager Search Committee Responses

Mr. Brown stated that Mr. Curley has received a determination from the State Ethics Commission that he may serve on the Town Manager Search Committee as a candidate for Selectmen with the proviso that he resign should he be elected to the Board. Mr. Brown moved to appoint Stephen Curley to the Town Manager Search Committee; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

#### Discuss Timeline of Herring Run Park Improvements Project

Ms. Dwyer was present to advise that she has spoken with Herring Superintendent Mark Amorello and he has let the Historical Society know that the Grand Ol' Fish Fry date is during migration; therefor, there will not be diversion of the stream at that time, and the event is not jeopardized by the project.

### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### FY20 Budget Update

Mr. Thorne updated the Board on the Governor's budget and resulting cherry sheet for the town showing estimates of expenditures and revenues. Revenues slightly increase while mandatory expenditures increase significantly in the Charter Schools assessment resulting in a net deficit of \$90,000. Mr. Thorne advised that there is a meeting of Mayflower Health Group on Thursday to discuss health insurance rates for the upcoming year, and final finance team budget refinement will occur in the days preceding the Board's next meeting. Mr. Thorne will be presenting a balanced budget on February 5, 2019.

### **ASK THE SELECTMEN**

Mr. Boyle requested that the Board support a letter of opposition to the River Marsh proposed project sent to the ZBA with all prior documentation included and made a motion to that effect; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Brown stated that he received an email from a resident inquiring about Air B&B revenue and can the town capture the 6% hotel tax on these properties. Mr. Curley rose and stated that he was that resident.

At 8:00 pm, Mr. Furlong read the upcoming issues from the agenda. Mr. Trabucco moved to adjourn and Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

### MATERIALS & EXHIBITS

Vacancy Application T. Berry (PHA/BOS/TM Office)

Vacancy Application, D. Robinson (CoD/BOS/TM Office)

Town Manager's Contract (BOS/TM Office)

Live Entertainment License Application, A. Herman, Soundcheck Studios (BOS/TM Office)

Letter, S. Roche RE: Recreation Commission CPC Appointment (Rec/BOS/TM Office)

Draft Minutes of January 8, 2019 and January 15, 2019 (BOS/TM Office)

Email, S. Curley RE: State Response (BOS/TM Search Committee)