

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2011

PRESENT: Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Chairman), Daniel W. Trabucco (Vice-Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Clerk), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Selectman), Gregory M. Hanley (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Town Administrator), Diane M. Tobin (Executive Assistant), John Mattinson (Pembroke Media Broadcast), Mikaela Slaney (Pembroke Express), Chester Drown, Pauline Dixon, Michael Virta, Lisa Cullity, Gordon Martin, Leonard Ruszczyk, and others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Alan Peterson – The Board extended recognition and congratulations to Alan Peterson on his recent distinction as a Certified Facility Administrator.

Pembroke Education Foundation – Notice was received that the Pembroke Education Foundation is preparing to host their annual Casablanca Night at the Pembroke Country club on Sat., March 5th. They are in need of volunteers to deal Black Jack and Poker. Interested persons should contact Jessica Spencer at www.MomsAndDadsGuide.com.

Deputy Fire Chief George Emanuel – A retirement party is planned for Mr. Emanuel on Sat., March 26, 2011 from 7 – 9 pm at the Monponsett Inn. Selectman Hanley and Chairman Boulter recognized Mr. Emanuel for his devotion and service to the Town as the Emergency Management Director and the Board extended congratulations and best wishes for many happy years of retirement.

MC GEE PRE-OWNED: Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle, that the hearing for McGee Pre-owned Used Car Dealership will be continued for two weeks. Another letter of complaint was received today and will be investigated.

MINUTES: The Selectmen voted to accept the minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2011 as presented.

OLD HOME DAYS FAIR: Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle, to approve the request of the First Church to hold their annual Old Home Days Fair in the parking lot and on the grounds surrounding the church on June 1 through June 4, 2011 and to close Curve Street starting on Tues., May 31st, subject to inspection by the Board of Health, and details by the Police and Fire Departments. Voted unanimously in favor. Mr. Trabucco noted receipt of a letter from Rev. Giragosian who expressed concern about the proposed Eagle Scout project to put post and chain fences around the

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monuments in front of the church. It is expected that the scout project will be completed by Memorial Day and should not interfere with the Fair. Rev. Girogosian also noted concern about a proposal by the Town Memorial Committee to install an underground sprinkler system on the green. Town Administrator Thorne will talk to the Memorial Committee about this proposal.

PEMBROKE MILITARY SUPPORT GROUP: Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Trabucco, to approve the request of the Pembroke Military Support Group to use the Town Green to hold a Flea Market Fundraiser on Saturday, June 11, 2011 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, with a rain date of Sun., June 12th. Also, approved was the request to use the Town Green for a Vigil on September 11, 2011 beginning at sundown. Voted unanimously in favor.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE: Selectman Boyle stated that he feels it is clear that the Recycling Committee is an advisory only board and no one else can enter contracts for service on behalf of the Selectmen. Selectman Trabucco stated that the whole article can only be for recommendation purposes. The word “reconsiderations” in the amendment to the town meeting articles should read “recommendations”. Town Administrator Thorne offered the following mission statement for this committee which was approved by the Selectmen:

The Recycling Committee is created as an advisory board to the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of improving the Town's recycling programs. The committee is charged with making recommendations to the operations of the Town's Recycling Center, to increase participation and awareness of recycling in the town by educating the public through local school programs, public outreach, and community cable access. The committee shall make periodic progress reports to the Selectmen at their regularly scheduled meetings.

Also, Town Counsel advised that Alternate Members who are appointed to this committee should have terms of one, two and three years respectively, and that the chairman of the recycling committee may designate any alternate member to sit on the committee in case of absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest on the part of a permanent member or in the event of a vacancy on the permanent committee until the vacancy is filled.

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The Selectmen interviewed the applicants who were present this evening. They were Pauline Dixon who is a dedicated, avid recycler; Lisa Cullity, Health Agent and former Board of Health member, who is very involved in recycling and has the unique perspective of dealing with residents over the phone every day regarding trash and recycling issues; Michael Virta, civil engineer, who is primarily interested in serving because he cares; Gordon Martin, Wellesley solid waste employee, who wants to help to make the best recycling deal for the town; Leonard Ruszczyk, who has an engineering background and is interested in education and community input for recycling; and Chester Drown, who worked at the Recycling Center for 3 years and would advocate curbside recycling.

The Selectmen thanked all applicants for their interest. Mr. Trabucco moved, seconded by Mr. Hanley, that the first meeting for the Recycling Committee will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the town hall and all 10 members will be invited to attend. Appointments to the committee will be determined by the Selectmen at their meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd. Voted 4-0-1 with Mr. Boulter abstaining.

66 CENTER STREET DOGS: Chairman Boulter asked that an update be obtained regarding the status of the dogs to be adopted at 66 Center Street.

BUDGET REVIEW: Town Administrator Thorne and the Selectmen will attend the meeting of the Advisory Board on Tuesday, Feb. 15 to review the budget items.

BOTTLE BILL: Mr. Stone noted that there are advocates trying to keep the issue of an updated Bottle Bill alive.

OPEN MEETING LAW: Mr. Stone noted that our Town Counsel advised of an update in the Open Meeting Law which allows the posting of meetings and agendas on the town website to fill the requirement for a legal posting.

FIRE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT: Chairman Boulter stated that Town Counsel talked to Fire Chief Neenan and advised that there is no need to renew the Fire Mutual Aid Agreement and the chief is okay with the current agreement. Mr. Boulter had other questions for Town Counsel and requests a written response.

RECESS TO A TIME CERTAIN: At 8:30 pm, Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Trabucco, to recess this meeting to 7 pm on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2011. So voted unanimously in favor.

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CONTINUED MEETING: TUESDAY, FEB. 15, 2011

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At 7:00 pm, the Chairman re-opened the public meeting of Monday, Feb. 14, 2011.

Mr. Trabucco moved, seconded by Mr. Hanley, to go into Executive Session after reading Reason #1 and #2 of the Mass. General Laws pertaining to holding Executive Sessions. Roll call vote: Stone, yes – Hanley, yes – Trabucco, yes – Boulter, yes

Executive Session commenced at 7:05 pm

At 8:05 pm, Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Trabucco, to adjourn the Executive Session, and to continue this meeting at the Advisory Board for a discussion of the 2012 budget.

At 9:05 pm, Mr. Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. Trabucco, to adjourn with no further public business or votes to be taken. So voted unanimously in favor.