

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING
JUNE 13, 2016**

PRESENT: Lewis W. Stone (Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Vice-Chairman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Clerk), Daniel W. Trabucco (Selectman), Matthew J. Furlong (Selectman), Linda Peterson, Stephen Curley, James McCollum, Stephen Walsh, Sabrina Chilcott (Executive Assistant), and others.

At 7:00 pm Mr. Stone opened the meeting and asked for a moment of silence for those lost in Orlando. Mr. Stone 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.

Mr. Thorne advised that Chief Hill is not available this evening; he is responding to an active event.

7:00 JOINT REAPPOINTMENT: ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PETERSON, CURLEY, MONKS

Mr. Stone read a hearty endorsement of the three candidates for reappointment to the Advisory Committee, Linda Peterson, Stephen Curley and Elizabeth Monks from Town Moderator Stephen Dodge who was unable to appear due to a scheduling conflict. Mr. Stone moved to re-appoint Linda Peterson, Stephen Curley and Elizabeth Monks to the Advisory Committee for a three year term to expire June 30, 2019; Advisory member Stephen Walsh seconded the motion. The vote by roll: Stone – yes, Walsh – yes.

CONSIDER THE RESIGNATION OF SHARON MCNAMARA FROM THE ZBA

Mr. Boyle moved to accept the resignation of Sharon McNamara from the Zoning Board of Appeals effective June 21, 2016; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

CONSIDER THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FRANK BALDASSINI TO THE ZBA

Mr. Baldassini had previously submitted a letter of resignation from the ZBA upon the expiration of his term in June, but has stated that he is willing to serve longer for the town. Mr. Boyle moved to re-appoint Frank Baldassini to the ZBA for a three year term to expire June 30, 2019; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE PAID RE-APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Stone read the candidates for one-year paid re-appointment: Animal Control Officer William Hart, Emergency Management Co-Director Richard Wall, Emergency Management Co-Director J. Michael Hill, Sealer of Weights and Measures Joseph Suppa, Town Clock Winder Robert Hynes, Town Counsel Kopelman & Paige and Veterans' Agent & Veterans' Burial Agent David McPhillips. Mr. Boyle move to re-appoint the slate of annual, paid re-appointments at the recommendation of the Town Administrator. Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE TO SUPPORT AND SIGN LETTER TO CPCWDC

Mr. Boulter stated that serious concerns have been raised and are not resolved in regards to the town's ponds. The town has funded hundreds of thousands of dollars in improvements to the water quality over the last ten years, provided sole maintenance to the pond's fixtures and equipment, and requested assistance in procuring an engineering study to unequivocally determine the datum on Furnace Pond to ensure proper water levels are measured, calculated and used by the City of Brockton to protect the residents of Pembroke, with no response to date. The town has purchased bogs in town that had runoff from insecticides and other chemicals, as well as provided the funding of an average of \$50,000 annually to chemically treat the ponds to improve our water quality. Furthermore, the town is embarking on a dredging project of significant scope and cost at Furnace Pond; should the timeline of the project continue as anticipated, Pembroke will need the water that is currently being diverted to accomplish this expensive and comprehensive action plan. The Pembroke Herring Fisheries Commissions and the Division of Marine Fisheries have alerted Brian Creedon to the fact that the water gate to the herring ladder has been damaged for years without receiving the urgent repairs that are needed, and the screen at the diversion pipe is broken and has been for quite some time. The broken screen has resulted in many juvenile herring fish being drawn into the diversion pipe and travelling to Silver Lake

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where they cannot get out. The Herring Fisheries Commission has identified a significant conflict with current diversion schedule for the City of Brockton; Brockton is allowed to divert water from Furnace Pond from October 1st through May 31st annually, but the fall herring migration occurs annually through the month of December and spring migration begins in early March. Discussion ensued on the need for assistance from the Central Plymouth County Water District Commission to affect change. Mr. Boulter moved that the Board of Selectmen support and sign the letter requesting assistance to the CPCWDC; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VOTE THE MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016

Mr. Boyle requested "not" be changed to "nor" in the final paragraph; Mr. Boyle moved to accept the minutes of May 31, 2016 as amended; Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Boulter thanked all who came out in support of the Pembroke Police Boys Club at their successful fundraiser on Saturday, despite the inclement weather.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Thorne updated the Board on the status of two parcels of property being acquired by the town. The parcel at the intersection of Routes 14 and 53 has had its environmental assessment completed, and the inspection period ends June 15th; the results conclude that the town will proceed to a closing in July. The 190 Barker Street property's period of inspection is from June 15 through June 29 and has been scheduled to begin. Mr. Thorne stated that he was present at the meeting of lifeguards at 5:00 pm this evening, and Oldham Pond was treated last week to prevent algae bloom this summer. The town anticipates a successful swim program this summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Recreation Commission has announced that the Birch Street Park will be closed on Thursday and Friday, June 16th and 17th to install handrails and perform routine maintenance. Mr. Boyle announced that the Pembroke Watershed Association conducted another successful pond cleanup day on Saturday; much less trash was collected as residents are doing a better job maintaining the area each year.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Boyle updated the Board on the Plymouth County Advisory Board meeting, whereby a balanced budget was presented and voted. Mr. Boyle credited former Pembroke Selectman Greg Hanley for his part in the process. Mr. Stone updated the Board on his conversation with Nancy Richard of PACTV regarding the upcoming Comcast contract negotiations. Mr. Stone stated that Ms. Richard's recommendation is to form a Comcast Cable Negotiation Committee with Ms. Richard serving as lead negotiator, attorney Bill Hewitt from Kopelman and Paige as town counsel's representative, a citizen's representative, a Selectman and the Town Administrator. Discussion ensued on the costs of town counsel's involvement; Mr. Thorne confirmed that Bill Hewitt worked on the last contract as well. Mr. Trabucco moved to form the Comcast Cable Negotiation Committee; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Trabucco moved to appoint Nancy Richard, Ed Thorne, Bill Boulter, Jim Duggan with assistance of Bill Hewitt; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Trabucco moved to dissolve the Cable Advisory Committee; Mr. Boyle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Stone read the upcoming issues from the agenda.

At 7:35 pm, Mr. Boyle moved to enter Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body: Bartlett Street and 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

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public body and the chair so declares: strategy, all union contracts; Mr. Boulter seconded the motion. The vote by roll call: Boyle – yes, Boulter – yes, Furlong – yes, Trabucco – yes, and Stone – yes.

MATERIALS & EXHIBITS

Reappointment Letters: S. Curley, L. Peterson (BOS/TA Office)

Letter: S. McNamara, ZBA (BOS/TA Office)

Draft Letter to CPCWDC (BOS/TA/Office)

Draft Minutes of Meeting of May 31, 2016 (BOA/TA Office)

Letter: Recreation Commission RE: Birch St Park (Recreation/BOS/TA Office)