

**MINUTES OF THE SELECT BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 21, 2022**

PRESENT: Daniel W. Trabucco (Chairman), Tracy Marino (Vice Chair), John G. Brown, Jr. (Clerk), Rebecca Coletta (Selectwoman), Steven Ciciotti (Selectman), William Chenard (Town Manager), Jason Viveiros (Fire Chief), Judy Parks and others.

At 7:00 pm Mr. Trabucco opened the meeting with the Chairman's statement. Ms. Coletta announced she received a call from Congressman Keating that the 3 million dollars in the Omnibus bill was awaiting signature from the President. Ms. Marino reminded the board and the public that the boy scouts had a tree drive scheduled on January 7th, 2023 to dispose of Christmas trees. She also reminded the board and the public of the Pembroke Resolves on January 8, 2023, at 12pm at the First Church.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT: FIRE CHIEF JASON VIVEIROS: PRESENTATION OF MASSACHUSETTS FIREFIGHTER SERVICE AWARDS

Chief Viveiros thanked the board for their support of the department and awarded fifteen firefighters within the department, service awards for their years of dedication which ranged from 15 years to 35 years. Mr. Trabucco thanked the firefighters for their service and dedication to the town.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT: JUDY PARKS, AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE: REVIEW OF FRIENDLY CHAPTER 40B PROJECTS LOCAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM (LIP)

Ms. Parks stated that the town was close to 10% requirement for affordable housing in the town of Pembroke. She stated that once the town reached 10%, it would be in a different position in regarding 40B projects and could have more flexibility with future projects. She stated that the town should try to reach 15% affordable housing and meet the needs of all populations in town. The committee decided that the town should have a process for friendly 40B projects. The committee researched other towns and put together a draft process/application for the Board to review. She stated that the proposed application gives the committee a better way to negotiate where the proposed projects could land within the town. Ms. Parks also informed the board that there are three 40B projects to be proposed in the future, and the application would help all boards and departments involved, stay consistent and be informed. Mr. Trabucco agreed with Ms. Parks presentation and expressed interest in moving an application process forward. Discussion ensued regarding the town's position after it had reached 10% affordable housing as well as different requirements to be included in the application package for developers. The board then discussed the proposed site at St. Thecla's Church on Washington Street, and the site further down on Washington Street. Mr. Trabucco and the Board agreed that the application process is needed and would like future discussions to finalize a process with all relevant boards and departments.

VOTE TO AUTHORIZE ARPA FUNDING APPLICATION: GP1 WELLFIELD AND PUMP STATION ABANDONMENT PROJECT, \$130,000

Mr. Chenard stated that the ARPA fund for this bucket is approximately 2.4 million dollars. He also stated that this was approved at town meeting, and the county has required the board to approve it. Ms. Coletta moved to support the town's application for ARPA funding in the amount of \$130,000 for the GP1 Wellfield and Pump Station Abandonment Project, Mr. Ciciotti seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

VOTE TO APPOINT SELECT BOARD MEMBERS TO MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE (2)

Ms. Marino, Mr. Ciciotti and Ms. Coletta expressed interest in being appointed to the committee. Ms. Coletta expressed her interest in the Master Planning process with her history of sitting on the Planning Board. Mr. Ciciotti stated he would be interested as well. He stated a reason he ran for Select Board was to help protect resources, a main goal of the Master Plan. Ms. Marino expressed her interest as she was appointed to the Open Space Committee. Discussion ensued between the interested board members to decide on two appointed members to the Committee. Mr. Brown made a motion to appoint Ms. Coletta and Mr. Ciciotti to the Master Planning Committee, Ms. Marino seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

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VOTE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2022

Ms. Marino moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 2022, Mr. Brown seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

VOTE TO ADOPT 2023 CALENDAR OF SELECT BOARD EVENTS

Mr. Trabucco informed the board that meetings were held on Mondays traditionally and were moved to Tuesdays due to a conflict of a former board member, and then moved to Wednesday due to Covid-19 and zoom meeting timeslots. Discussion ensued about whether Wednesdays were conducive to every member's schedule. The board asked Mr. Chenard to forward meeting materials on Friday instead of Monday. Mr. Ciciotti moved to approve the 2023 draft calendar, meetings to be held on Wednesday, Ms. Marino seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Chenard announced that project eligibility had been approved for Mattakeesett Street 40B housing project. He updated the board on the route 36 project; drainage was the focus as well as repairing potholes. The Congress Street culvert repair was moving forward, the NOI public hearing with Conservation was scheduled for January 5, 2023. He stated that completion was slated for the spring.

Mr. Chenard updated the board on Public Safety Building progress; the traffic study was completed and Ms. Coletta requested it be sent to the board along with a basic site plan.

Mr. Chenard also reminded the public that applications for citizens at large were due on January 5. School Committee applications were also due on January 6. More information was on the website.

He announced town hall would be closed the following two Mondays due to the Christmas and New Years holidays. The Recycling Center hours would be 9am – 12pm on Christmas Eve, regular hours on New Years Eve. As a final note, Mr. Chenard encouraged all residents and members of the public to celebrate the holidays safely. Ms. Coletta asked if water use for the Community Center project was the cause for brown water in the area; Mr. Chenard stated that it was the result of a water service upgrade to the Town Hall. Discussion ensued about brown water issues throughout the town. Mr. Chenard briefly highlighted the open positions within the town for employment.

LIAISON UPDATES

Ms. Coletta spoke with the transportation coordinator at OCPC recently about opportunities upcoming for improvement to our roads. Discussion ensued about upcoming road projects. Ms. Coletta also informed the board about the NSRWA update that would be forthcoming regarding dams.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Marino asked about updates to the Lage property; Mr. Chenard stated that the demolition permits have been filed to remove the remaining buildings and it should take place in January.

COMMUNITY COMMENT

Elin Flashman of School Street honored the passing of resident Rob Adams who frequently reported news on the town.

At 8:30pm, Mr. Trabucco read the upcoming issues, and asked for motion to adjourn, Ms. Marino moved to adjourn, Mr. Brown seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

MATERIALS & EXHIBITS

Minutes (TM Office)

Firefighter Service Awards List (TM Office)

Affordable Housing Memo (TM Office)

ARPA Funding Application (TM Office)

Planning Board Master Plan Committee Memo (TM Office)

2023 Select Board Calendar (TM Office)

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