

**MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING
May 14, 2012**

PRESENT: Gregory M. Hanley (Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Vice Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Clerk), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Selectman), Daniel W. Trabucco (Selectman), Michael Ohrenberger (Police Chief), Kevin McKenna, Tom Driscoll (Chairman, Board of Health), Len Ruszczyk (Recycling Committee), Gordon Martin (Recycling Committee), Mike Virta (Recycling Committee), Gordon Martin (Recycling Committee), Sabrina Chilcott (Executive Assistant), John Mattinson (PMB Cable), Dave Palana (Pembroke Mariner Express) and others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bryantville United Methodist Church is holding its first annual giant yard sale on Saturday, June 16th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. They seek vendors; call the church office at 781-293-2025 or email bryantvilleumc@gmail.com. Mr. Boulter updated the Board on the Pembroke 300th Golf Tournament held on Saturday, May 12th. Winners in different categories were announced and photos are available for viewing online at www.WalterHawkes.com. Pembroke Media Broadcast recorded segments of the day as well for broadcast. Mr. Boulter advised that Tuesday, May 15th is the 300th Committee monthly meeting at Pembroke Country Club at 7:00 pm and Sunday, May 20th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm is the Antique Car Show sponsored by Tiny and Sons at the Pembroke Community Center.

7:05 KEVIN MCKENNA – PRESENTATION TO CHIEF OHRENBERGER

Kevin McKenna, the co-founder of Prom Angels which is an organization that hosts a special needs prom, was present before the Board. He came to present a plaque of appreciation to Police Chief Michael Ohrenberger. Mr. McKenna wanted to acknowledge the Pembroke Police Department for their support and assistance as their event has grown from 75 to 242 people over five years. Mr. McKenna also presented a plaque to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Hanley presented a certificate naming Mr. McKenna an Honorary Citizen of Pembroke signed by the Board.

7:15 CONSIDER RESOLUTION TO RESTORE FUNDING TO FY13 PLYMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Mr. Hanley explained that the House of Representatives recently passed a budget for the Sheriff's Department that includes several cuts in programs that will result in reductions or elimination of the Safe Keep, County Bureau of Investigation, Regional Communications and Communicator (reverse 911) programs. Mr. Hanley asked Chief Ohrenberger to speak to the impact on the community of the loss of these programs. Chief Ohrenberger stated that the impact on the Police Department would be huge; he and the Town Administrator have reached out to State Representative Webster and Senator Murray. The Safe Keep loss alone would be tremendous. The Pembroke Police Station is not equipped to hold prisoners long term; Plymouth Country transports and holds arrestees overnight, weekends and long weekends at their facilities under the Safe Keep program. The Communicator program has been used numerous times; reverse 911. BCI does fingerprints, mug shots, criminal investigations, photos, prints. The Chief is lobbying to try to get some of this money restored and requests that the Board sign this resolution to the Senate in support of this. Mr. Hanley asked if the Chief would define these as essential functions and would the Town need to provide these functions should the Sheriff's Department no longer be able to provide them for Pembroke. The Chief stated that this is absolutely correct and Pembroke will absorb these costs in some way. Mr. Boyle moved that the Board of Selectmen support the resolution to request that the Massachusetts Senate restore funding to the Safe Keep, County Bureau of Criminal of Investigation, Regional Communications and Communicator programs at the request of the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Stone seconded. The vote was unanimously in favor.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Ruszczuk appeared before the Board to provide an update to the Board from the committee's last meeting. The committee is applying for additional grants for training and workshops. There is an additional \$3,000 in money remaining, whose uses the committee will be discussing at their Wednesday night meeting May 16 at 6:30. Possible opportunities include community outreach. Mr. Martin suggested an increase in the focus of items that can be picked up curbside in recycling; he also suggested the possibility of a bulky plastic dumpster at the Recycling Center.

TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mr. Stone announced that Eagle Scout candidate Alex Bowles is holding a carwash to raise funds for his Eagle project at the Community Center on Saturday, May 19 from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

Mr. Boyle stated that the report from Aquatic Control Technology, Inc. regarding the Oldham Pond blue-green algae control program has been provided to the Board. The Town Administrator, Board of Health Chairman and the Health Agent have a plan and it was voted on at Town Meeting. While the plan is detailed and complex, it basically states that they will treat the pond early for algae blooms, thereby minimizing the impact. They will report back with progress. The low dose alum treatments will occur on May 29th and May 30th. Mr. Boyle moved to form a consensus on the Aquatic Control Technology Oldham Pond blue-green algae report. Mr. Trabucco seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Stone stated he attended the Plymouth County Advisory Board meeting in Norwell last Thursday and he spoke with a Hanson Selectman; they have voted to allocate money to address storm water runoff that flows into Oldham Pond and they are very enthusiastic about working with Pembroke. Mr. Boyle wanted to notify residents of Pond Cleanup day is this Saturday from 9:00am to 1:00pm; more information is available through www.pembrokewatershed.com or through the BOS office. Ray and Diane Holman have organized pond captains and spots to begin.

ASK THE SELECTMEN

Mr. Trabucco followed up on a letter he received regarding traffic on Elm Street; he has spoken with Mr. Thorne and Mr. Fulmine about the speed limit sign; it is poor engineering. The sign should be located after the stop sign on Elm Street at Spring Street. Mr. Trabucco will have the resident's letter distributed to the Board. Mr. Boyle advised the Board that an out of town contractor has been approaching residents door to door stating he has done paving work on nearby jobs including town property to solicit their business. He has then quoted a price and overcharged on completion of the work. Mr. Hanley clarified that all door to door solicitations in the Town require permitting from the Board; he suggested that a memo be sent to the Chief of Police and the Zoning Enforcement officer that there are no permits in effect at this time. No vendors should be operating without a permit.

UPCOMING ISSUES

Mr. Trabucco requested that a representative from Comcast's service division be requested to appear before the Board to discuss the issues that Pembroke residents have been having with their service, their equipment and their exchange of equipment. Mr. Hanley requested a letter be sent inviting a representative to be scheduled. Mr. Hanley requested that each Selectman be given a copy of the Comcast contract and the termination date of the contract. There was brief discussion on Verizon's refusal to expand further into Pembroke, despite the Town's request for them to do so.

Mr. Boyle made the motion to adjourn; Mr. Stone seconded the motion; the vote was unanimously in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm