

Minutes
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
Yarmouth Town Hall
January 6, 2009

Present: Selectmen – Suzanne McAuliffe, Jim Hoben, Jerry Sullivan, Dr. Marasco, Bud Groskopf; Town Administrator – Robert C. Lawton Jr.

Public:

Ms. McAuliffe comments on the passing of Pat Butler a well known attorney and friend to Yarmouth and Cape Cod. She says that Mr. Butler has helped Yarmouth immensely over the years. She gives condolences on behalf of the entire community.

Mr. Mulkeen

He discusses the possible Nstar sub-station near the Boy Scout Camp and the impacts to that area. Ms. McAuliffe informs the public about the possible sub-station. Ms. McAuliffe says that the town has filed as an intervener in this case. She also says that the hearing on December 18th, 2008 wasn't very informative. The Board continues to discuss the sub-station.

Hearing – New Inn Holder License – Hampton Inn 99 Route 28, West Yarmouth

Dr. Marasco reads the advertisement for the liquor license for Hampton Inn. The petitioner David Darling gives an overview of the Hampton Inn including number of rooms and size. He says the Hampton Inn will have an indoor and outdoor pool with a gym. He indicates the liquor license is strictly for their customers, sponsored events and tourist clientele. Dr. Marasco says that the Hampton Inn is a nice change for Yarmouth. Ms. McAuliffe says that she is very happy that the Hampton Inn is opening in town but she wants to make sure that David Darling understands that the Board is very strict with their liquor licenses. She urges Mr. Darling to have the employees serving alcohol be TIPS certified. Dr. Marasco asks for comments from the public no one comes forward. Mr. Groskopf motions to close the hearing. Mr. Hoben seconds. VOTE 5-0.

Dr. Marasco recommends approving the New Inn Holder License for the Hampton Inn. Mr. Hoben motions to approve the license. Ms. McAuliffe seconds. VOTE 5-0.

Longfellow's Pub – Change of Manager; Janet McInerney

Janet McInerney from Longfellow's Pub is present as the new manager of Longfellow's Pub. She says the majority of the time she is at the business. Dr. Marasco reminds Ms. McInerney of the no tolerance policy of service to minors and also to make sure that there is always a manager on site. She describes the services that Longfellow's offers. Dr. Marasco asks for comments from the Board. Mr. Groskopf asks about the Sunday brunch. Ms. McInerney speaks about the Sunday brunch menu.

Selectmen Items:

1. Approval of BOS Minutes for 11/18/08, 12/02/08, 12/11/08

Motioned. Seconded. VOTE 5-0

2. Residential Exemption – Continued Discussion

Ms. McAuliffe asks to postpone the residential exemption for another six months, because the exemption will not create new revenues. She says that her original idea was to package the residential exemption in with an override to reduce the burden on the residents. She says that she would like to put the residential exemption off until next fiscal year.

Mr. Hoben believes that the residents may need the exemption sooner than later. He feels that an override is probably not possible even next year. Mr. Sullivan says that he believes the Board would have a tough time explaining the residential exemption. The discussion continues between the Board about when to implement the new residential exemption. The Board agrees that they would like a spreadsheet with data on implementing the residential exemption. Ms. McAuliffe says that the Board of Selectmen can vote and adopt a residential exemption without having to go to town meeting for approval.

Appointments:

1. Joint Meeting with Old Kings Highway to Fill Vacancy

Mr. Hoben welcomes the members of the Yarmouth Old Kings Highway Committee. Mr. Joe Sullivan Chairman the Chairman says that the OKH took a vote to appoint George Gillian currently an alternate of the OKH to become a regular member of the Board to fill Debbie Gray's seat. Ms. McAuliffe asks how many alternates there are on the Board. Mr. Sullivan says that there are two alternates on the OKH and this appointed would be for the remainder of Ms. Gray's term. Motioned. Seconded. VOTE roll call. Ms. McAuliffe – yes; Dr. Marasco – yes; Mr. Groskopf – yes; Mr. Hoben – yes; Mr. Sullivan – yes. Unanimous.

2. Board of Appeals, 2 – Regular; 3 – Alternates

Mr. Hoben postpones the Board of Appeals appointments.

Selectmen Items:

1. Tell it to Bud Time - Mr. Groskopf reminds all residents of “Tell it to Bud Time”.

2. Payroll – Dr. Marasco speaks about the possibility of saving money by going to a bi-weekly payroll. Mr. Lawton says that he will look into the cost savings for changing payroll.

3. Yarmouth Port Library – Dr. Marasco asks if the Yarmouth Port Library will be discussed at a future meeting. Mr. Lawton informs him that the town is still sorting out the logistics for the Yarmouth Port Library to become self sufficient. The Board continues to discuss the Yarmouth Port Library. Mr. Lawton says that he will get more details for the Board.

4. Ms. McAuliffe recognizes the many employees in town hall who worked hard to get the paychecks out to employees on Christmas Eve and the day after Christmas. She thanks all the employees for their extra help. Mr. Lawton also thanks the town hall employees for their hard work. Mr. Lawton says that once the payroll is in house there will be significant savings as well as the process being streamlined and easier to work with.

5. Ms. McAuliffe mentions that the Yarmouth Chamber in cooperation with Eager Beaver will be offering Christmas tree recycling on January 12th, 2009. She indicates that if you donate \$5.00 to the Yarmouth Garden Club the Chamber will come pick up your tree from your house for recycling.

6. Ms. McAuliffe states that George Allaire has received another grant for solar panels for 424 Rt. 28.

7. Ms. McAuliffe says that she was present at the final Assembly of Delegates meeting to approve the RPP, she says that they did approve the RPP.

Town Administrator Items:

1. Mr. Lawton indicates that Chief Walker has formally accepted the position of Yarmouth Fire Chief.

2. **Potential 2009 ATM Articles** – Mr. Lawton begins the discussion on the potential annual town meeting articles for 2009. He informs the Board that there are four petitioned articles. He reviews the potential articles. Mr. Lawton says that there is no vote required tonight.

Mr. Groskopf asks if the Planning Board will be available to review their potential articles. Mr. Lawton says that the Planning Board is scheduled to meet with the Board next week at the Board of Selectmen workshop meeting.

Mr. Groskopf says that he would like an update on fire station #3. The Board discusses the costs involved to reopen fire station #3. Dr. Marasco speaks about subcontracting EMS services. Mr. Groskopf says that the union members are on board with the town in trying to help reopen the station.

3. **Consent Agenda** – Mr. Lawton reviews the consent agenda. Motioned. Seconded.

VOTE 5-0

4. **Natural Resource Office** – Mr. Lawton informs the Board that the Natural Resource Office will need to move to another location do to the condition of their current building. He says that the DPW has also suggested fixing the current DNR building but he is not optimistic about that option. Mr. Lawton says that he will inform the Board when the which option we have decided upon. The Selectmen agree with Mr. Lawton.

Adjourn

Motioned. Seconded. VOTE 5-0

Consent Agenda
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Donations to Division of Senior Services

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| 1. Martin & Sharon Lewis | |
| In Memory of Lea Weiss Chertowsky | \$25.00 |
| 2. Thank you - Meeting Room - AA | \$25.00 |
| 3. Thank you – Meeting Room – A-NON | \$25.00 |
| 4. Jerry & Pamela Wald | |
| Donation to offset budget cuts | \$75.00 |
| 5. Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands | |
| Peter Laband/Donation to offset budget cuts | \$81.00 |
| 6. The Garden Club of Yarmouth | |
| Wages for Steve Gabrick/Set-up & Clean-up | \$26.88 |

Donation to DPW

- Bench to be installed at Parker’s River**
David Redfield donation for Redfield and Kearns Bench \$650.00

General Donation

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| Thank you - Hearing Room - Plumbing & Gas Inspection | |
| Continuing Education Seminar | <u>\$150.00</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$1,057.88</u> |

Date: 1-6-09

Voted: 5-0