

MINUTES

Board of Selectmen Meeting

REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

April 13, 2021

Present: Chairman Jason Balboni, Selectmen Gail Barmakian, Gregory Coogan, Brian Packish , Ryan Ruley. Also present Acting Town Administrator Wendy Brough, Executive Assistant Alice Ryan Butler.

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Public Announcements

Retirement from the Shellfish Committee, Elizabeth Mansure and William Alwardt.

Ms. Mansure and Mr. Alwardt were commended and presented (virtually) with Certificates of Appreciation for at least ten years of service.

Selectman Greg Coogan was also commended for seventeen years of service after announcing his retirement from the Board.

Department Head, Committees, Commissions Update

Several Department Heads congratulated and thanked Selectman Coogan on his years of service.

The Library will have a “soft” opening on May 1, 2021

Commissioner Billings announced that the man responsible for cutting down the tree in Ocean Park had paid for its replacement.

Also there will be music in Ocean Park on Sunday this summer.

Minutes

March 23, 2021

Selectman Coogan motioned to accept the Minutes of March 23, 2021, seconded by Selectman Ruley. Vote was:

***Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye***

Old/New Business

Review and possible acceptance of the notice that town property will be affected by the Roadway improvement on Beach Road.

Postponed until the next Agenda.

The Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. **REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY** regarding a new license for the installation of tanks containing flammable and combustible liquids, namely heating oil, diesel and waste oil on land owned by the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School at 100 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, MA. This application is on file in the Selectmen’s Office, Oak Bluffs Town Hall, 53 School Street, Oak Bluffs, MA.

Mike Taus, from the High School and Fire Chief Schilling were available to answer questions. Chief Schilling explained that there are several individual tanks that need licensing and issuing this license would tighten everything up.

Selectman Coogan motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was:

**Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye**

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve the new license for the installation of tanks containing flammable and combustible liquids, namely heating oil, diesel and waste oil on land owned by the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School at 100 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, MA, seconded by Selectman Ruley. Vote was:

**Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye**

Request for Alteration of Premises for outdoor dining.

The Barn, Bowl & Bistro

The Selectmen reviewed the application which was essentially the same as the previous year. Some of the neighbors complained about amplified music, change of hours, a catering trailer on the premises, a “take out” line on Uncas Avenue. Mr. Sawyer refuted the complaints. Selectman Packish suggested site visits in June to the establishments might be useful.

Selectman Packish motioned to approve seventy five seats, deliveries only on Uncas Street, and a review and site visit in June, seconded by Selectman Ruley. Vote was:

**Chairman Balboni No
Selectman Barmakian No
Selectman Coogan Aye**

**Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye**

Coop deVille

The Selectmen reviewed the application and allowed that it was the same as the previous year.

Selectman Packish motioned to approve the Alteration of Premises for Coop de Ville, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was;

**Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye**

The Links at Martha's Vineyard

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve an Alteration of Premises outside the same as last year for the Links at Farm Neck, Seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was:

**Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye**

Lobsterville Bar and Grille

Postponed until next meeting.

The Alley

Postponed until next meeting

Holy Ghost

Postponed until next meeting

Red Cat

Selectman Ruley motioned to approve an Alteration of Premises with 23 seats outside and 23 seats inside, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was:

**Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Abstain
Selectman Ruley Aye**

Request for music in Ocean Park Bandstand on Sundays. Kathleen Cowley

Permitted without a vote.

Discussion and possible vote to approve revised TRI lease amendment. Affordable Housing Committee. Mark Leonard, Chair

The amendment is concerning the Agreement with the Noyes Building. Currently it is for 3 apartments and a commercial space. Approval is being sought to change it to an additional two apartments.

Selectman Ruley motioned to approve changing the Noyes Building to five apartments and having TRI assist the Town with the RFP and engineering oversight.

***Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye***

Accept a donation from Lagoon Pond Association to support a town employee who will work in conjunction with the Shellfish Department and the Harbormaster. Lagoon Pond Association, President Doug Reece.

Selectman Coogan motioned to accept a donation of \$3,000 from Lagoon Pond Association to support a town employee who will assist the Shellfish Department and the Harbormaster, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was:

***Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye***

Acting Town Administrator's Report
(Attached)

Selectmen's Update

Selectman Packish reported that the Streetscape Committee has held its final meeting. Process has gone well. He also thanked Selectman Coogan for his years of service.

Selectman Barmakian said that the Housing Bank was meeting with Representative Julian Cyr.

Selectman Ruley thanked Selectman Coogan for his years of service and wished him well.

Selectman Coogan thanked the Selectmen for their kind remarks. He also expressed appreciation for the Town employees. He advised whoever took his place on the Board to LISTEN, ask for more time, VOTE even though it is not always popular, attend meetings with an open mind. "Some people cause happiness **wherever** they go, some people cause happiness **whenever** they go"

Adjourn

***Selectman Coogan motioned to adjourn at 7:09 p.m., seconded by Selectman Barmakian.
Vote was:***

***Chairman Balboni Aye
Selectman Barmakian Aye
Selectman Coogan Aye
Selectman Packish Aye
Selectman Ruley Aye***

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Executive Assistant