

Minutes

Select Board Meeting

July 13, 2021

REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

Present: Chair Brian Packish, Select Persons Jason Balboni, Gail Barmakian, Emma Green-Beach, Ryan Ruley. Also present: Town Administrator Deborah Potter, Executive Assistant Alice Ryan Butler.

Meeting called to order at 4:33 p.m.

Department Heads, Boards and Committee Updates

Rose Cogliano, Director of the Council on Aging announced the current hours the Senior Center is open starting August 2, 2021. Hours for now are 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, and is limited to 14 people in the building. In stages, hours and number of people in the building will increase as conditions improve. For the time being, food will not be served. She encouraged Seniors to call, if they have questions or if she can be of assistance.

Park Commissioner Amy Billings announced that Yoga in the Park is available to everyone this year without charge.

Park Commissioner Richie Combra reported that Sunset Park will be finished soon, the delay is due to the rain.

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May 11, 2021

Select Person Balboni motioned to accept the Minutes of May 11, 2021, seconded by Select Person Green-Beach. Vote was

***Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye***

Old/New Business

Discussion and possible vote on Land Damage Agreements and Right of Entry Agreements for the three Town parcels on Beach Road for ROW acquisition by MassDOT.

After a brief discussion, Select Persons Barmakian and Ruley suggest that vote be postponed for two weeks in order to study the question more thoroughly. Select Person Barmakian will work with the DOT in order to resolve her questions. If the issues are not resolved by September, the project could be shelved.

Discussion and possible vote on mooring fees in Oak Bluffs Harbor

Harbormaster Alexander reported that currently fees are not charged for boats mooring for the day in the Harbor. Oak Bluffs is the only town that not does not charge a fee. It could be a good source of revenue if it was initiated for next season.

Select Person Barmakian motioned to request the Harbor Advisory Board to prepare a plan to charge for mooring and determine how the revenue would be used. The report should be available by November 7, 2021, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

**Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye**

Discussion and possible vote on a License Agreement with the US Coast Guard

The remediation at the East chop lighthouse needs a License Agreement to cross Town property to do the survey.

Select Person Balboni motioned to approve a License Agreement with the US Coast Guard, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

**Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye**

Close of Year Transfers

Town Accountant Potter explained the need for Year End Transfers and why it is more efficient to do them as a “lump” sum rather than line by line.

Select Person Balboni motioned to approve making year end transfers in accordance with MA General Law, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

**Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye**

Final Approval for Aquaculture lease for Dan Marino

All of the necessary permits have met final approval.

Select Person Balboni motioned to approve the Aquaculture lease for Dan Marino sanctioned by the Division of Marine Fisheries Chapter 130, Section 67 with two restrictions, “vertical lines attached to bottom gear shall be reduced in number to the extent possible and shall be kept under tension to the greatest extent practicable.”

“Any entanglement of protected species, including whales and turtles, must be immediately reported to the Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Stranding and Entanglement Hotline at 1-866-755-NOAA (6622)” , seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

***Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye***

Discussion and possible vote on placement of picnic tables in the downtown area.

Park Commissioners Billings and Combra agreed to work together on where to place the picnic tables in the downtown area.

Select Person Ruley motioned to authorize the Park Commissioners to place the picnic tables in the downtown area, seconded by Select Person Barmakian. Vote was:

***Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye***

Request to close Circuit Avenue on October 2, 2021 for “Lady Fest” benefiting “Connect to end Violence” Larkin Stallings

Mr. Stallings said that the event would be the same as 2019. Chief Blake and the Fire Chief have already given their approval. He will also hire the necessary detail.

Select Person Balboni motioned to approve the closing of Circuit Avenue on October 2, 2021 for Lady Fest, the rain date if necessary will be determined later, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

***Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green-Beach Aye
Select Person Ruley Aye***

Request for an Alteration of Premises, Sea Smoke Barbeque Corp. Jon Blau
Chair Brian Packish recused himself. Vice Chair Ruley conducted the Request

Select Person Balboni motioned to approve the Alteration of Premises from Sea Smoke Barbeque Corp contingent on the approval of the Board of Health, and the Building Department to reduce indoor seating by the same number of seats is being used outdoors, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

***Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green Beach Aye
Vice-Chair Ruley Aye***

Request for extended hours for Midnight Train Food Truck. Jordan Wallace

Withdrawn

Request for three One Day Beer & Wine licenses for Cannes Can: Diversity Collective.

Adrienne C. Smith

Select Person recused herself.

Select Person Ruley motioned to approve the request for three One Day Beer & Wine licenses for Cannes Can: Diversity Collective August 10 to 12, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seconded by Select Person Emma Green Beach. Vote was:

Chair Packish Aye

Select Person Balboni Aye

Select Person Green Beach Aye

Select Person Ruley Aye

Appointments

Request for re-appointment to the Historical Commission

Pamela Melrose

Joyce Dresser

Renee Balter

Susan Thompson

Jim Dearing

Barbara Baskin

Only Jim Dearing was present.

Select Person Balboni motioned to re-appoint Jim Dearing to the Historic Commission, seconded by Select Person Emma Green Beach. Vote was:

Chair Packish Aye

Select Person Balboni Aye

Select Person Barmakian Aye

Select Person Green Beach Aye

Select Person Ruley Aye

Request for re-appointment to the Library Board of Trustees

Mary (Scottie) Vail

Select Person Balboni motioned to re-appoint Mary (Scottie) Vail to the Library Board of Trustees, seconded by Select Person Ruley. Vote was:

Chair Packish Aye

Select Person Balboni Aye

Select Person Barmakian Aye

Select Person Green Beach Aye

Select Person Ruley Aye

Town Administrator's Report
(attached)

Select Person Ruley left at 7:12 p.m.

Select Board Update

Select Person Balboni welcomed Deb Potter as the new Town Administrator and thanked Wendy Brough for her work as Acting Town Administrator and interviewing for the town Administrator position. He further commented on the paint colors for the Information Booth.

Select Person Barmakian Thanked Wendy Brough, and commented on the 40B project on Uncas Avenue.

Adjourn

Select Person motioned to adjourn at 7:28 p.m., seconded by Select Person Balboni. Vote was:

***Chair Packish Aye
Select Person Balboni Aye
Select Person Barmakian Aye
Select Person Green Beach Aye***

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Executive Assistant