



Board of Selectmen **Regular Meeting Minutes** **November 3, 2015**

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room by Chairman Erik Tolley. Selectmen present: Norm Holcomb, Jim Quirk, Tracy Post, and Michael Stone. Also attending: Town Administrator, William Hinchey. The Board of Selectmen gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Announcements & Comments

Chairman Tolley explained that he was using a tablet to review the agenda packet on a trial basis in an attempt to save printing costs for the town. The tablet will not be connected to a Wi-Fi network or the internet in any way during the meeting.

Vida Morris commented on the D-Y Charter School presentation from the last Board of Selectmen meeting, stating she felt the presenter did make some valid points, particularly with regard to the top-heavy organization within the school district.

Ms. Morris also asked how the sale prices are established for the affordable housing units. Mr. Hinchey responded to Ms. Morris stating the prices are established based on a state formula of fair market value for a property and taking into consideration the income level of the potential residents.

Ms. Andrea St. Germaine made the following comments and updates on the school district:

- The D-Y marching band and color guard won the Division 3A Massachusetts state competition.*
- Last night's school committee meeting included a workshop on addressing the opiate use/abuse problem within the district.*
- The varsity field hockey, volleyball, and boys' soccer teams qualified for state tournaments.*

2. Public Hearings

a. Golf Fee Increase and Capital Update (2nd Hearing). Mr. Jim Armentrout, Director of Golf Operations, and Mr. Wayne Kivi, Chairman of the Golf Enterprise Committee, presented the second reading of the 2016 golf fee hearing. Mr. Armentrout reviewed the revenue and expense projections through 2026 and again briefed the Board on the participation rates, by demographic category, from 2013 to 2015. He presented a comparison of rates among the municipal courses on the Cape, demonstrating Yarmouth rates are among the lowest on the Cape. The benefits of membership were discussed and included in the brief (discounts, fees, etc.). Mr. Armentrout briefly reviewed the capital investment plan as presented at the 1st hearing.

Chairman Tolley opened the hearing up for public comments. One resident commented on the need to advertise to our target audience to help support the capital costs.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen close the public hearing.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Jim Quirk

Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen adopt the golf fee increase.

Motion by: Jim Quirk

Seconded by: Norm Holcomb

Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Disposal Area Fees (1st Hearing). Chairman Tolley read the legal ad into the record. DPW Director, Jeff Colby presented a PowerPoint brief outlining a current breakeven analysis and the proposed fee schedule. Additionally, Mr. Colby demonstrated a comparison of fees by town. The Board asked for clarification on a few points of the brief with regard to acronyms and some miscellaneous fees.

Several comments were made from the public with regard to fee increases, fiscal vs. calendar year, and television disposal fees.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen continue the hearing to a date certain of November 17, 2015.

Motion by: Jim Quirk

Seconded by: Tracy Post

Yea 5 Nay 0

3. Cape & Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC) - Net Metering Credits

Liz Argo, Programs & Administration Manager for CVEC, outlined the benefits of a net metering credit opportunity for Yarmouth. Ms. Argo explained the potential savings and earnings potential to Yarmouth as \$107,758.00.

Ms. Argo explained the NexAmp proposal which is an opportunity to enter a new net metering proposal through CVEC with a solar generation project. She explained the costs savings to Yarmouth by provider (CVEC, DYRS, and FGW solar generation).

The Board asked Ms. Argo about subsidies to the net metering programs, stability of the companies operating these programs, and capacity of the companies to provide the kilowatt usage of the town.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen authorize the Assistant Town Administrator to enter a net metering agreement with CVEC and NEXAMP committing 200,000 to 400,000 kilowatts.

Motion by: Norm Holcomb

Seconded by: Tracy Post

Yea 5 Nay 0

Ms. Argo explained the three photovoltaic (PV) initiatives CVEC is involved with, potential PV initiatives, battery back-up systems, and future wind generation. She further explained that CVEC provides PV installations at no capital costs to participating towns. However, due to increased administrative and service costs, CVEC's Board voted to propose an Adder on Round 1 projects which equates to about a \$5,000 reduction in the town's net benefit.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen authorize the Town Administrator to amend the Phase 1 net metering agreement as proposed.

Motion by: Norm Holcomb

Seconded by: Jim Quirk

Yea 5 Nay 0

4. Appointment of D-Y School Committee Member

Chairman Tolley opened discussion to the Board to review and discuss the D-Y School Committee candidates. The Board commented that the panel of candidates was strong and

thanked them for volunteering to serve. The Board commented that given recent election results, it would be inappropriate to oppose the will of the voters who chose not to elect those two candidates.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen appoint Michelle Conover to fill the vacancy on the D-Y School Committee.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mike Stone Yea 4 Nay 0 Abstain 1

5. Board of Selectmen

a. Board and Committee Actions

1) The Appointments Chairman, Selectman Quirk, recommends the appointment of John Stuart to fill the unexpired, regular term on the Old King's Highway Committee to run through December 2017.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen appoint John Stuart to fill the unexpired, regular term on the Old King's Highway Committee for a term to run through December 2017.

Motion by: Erik Tolley

Seconded by: Norm Holcomb Yea 5 Nay 0

2) The Appointments Chairman, Selectman Quirk, recommends the appointment of Marilyn Heberling as the Town of Yarmouth representative to the Mid-Cape Cultural Council to run through June 2017.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen appoint Marilyn Heberling as the Town of Yarmouth representative to the Mid-Cape Cultural Council for a term to run through June 2017.

Motion by: Erik Tolley

Seconded by: Norm Holcomb Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Individual Items. Chairman Tolley stated he felt the "pilot program" of accessing and reviewing the agenda packet on the Kindle tablet was a success. Additionally, he advised the Board that he will not be at next week's meeting.

6. Town Administrator's Items

a. Consent Agenda

1) Donations to YPD

- City of Waltham	\$550.00
- Bridgewater State University	<u>\$275.00</u>
TOTAL	\$825.00

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion by: Jim Quirk

Seconded by: Norm Holcomb Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Town Administrator Updates

1) Mr. Hinchey advised the Board that next week's meeting (November 10, 2015) is a workshop meeting to discuss the D-Y Regional Agreement, but may include a consent agenda item on the tax classification signatures.

2) Mr. Hinchey explained that the fiscal policy brief to the Board has been added to the agenda for December 1, 2015 and the Collins Study Update has been added to the agenda for December 8, 2015.

7. Adjourn

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Jim Quirk

Seconded by: Tracy Post

Yea 5

Nay 0

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Dennehy

DISTRIBUTED MATERIAL AGENDA PACKET

- Memo to Assistant Town Administrator from Director of Golf Operations dated October 27, 2015 re: Golf Courses' Fee Hearing with Proposed 2016 Golf Fees Presentation
- Disposal Area Fees Presentation
- Letter to Chairman Tolley from CVEC dated September 17, 2015 re: Cape Light Compact Update with CVEC Presentations
- Letter to BOS from Chairman, D-Y Regional School Committee dated October 6, 2015 re: School Committee Vacancy
- Memo to Board of Selectmen from Appointments Chairman dated October 30, 2015 re: Old King's Highway Appointment
- Memo to Board of Selectmen from YPD dated October 19, 2015 re: Donation Request
- Memo to Board of Selectmen from YPD dated October 28, 2015 re: Donation Request
- Legal Ad for Old King's Highway Election
- Memo to Yarmouth Librarian, Jane Cain, from Town Administrator dated October 23, 2015 re: Library Study Committee
- Board of Health Meeting Agenda for October 19, 2015
- Letter to BOS from Jerry McMahon, undated, re: Golf Courses
- Cape Cod Healthcare Blood Drive Flyer
- Tourism Revenue Preservation Fund Grant Availability Flyer