



Board of Selectmen Public Meeting Minutes July 10, 2018

The regular meeting was called to order at approximately 6 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room by Chairman Norm Holcomb. Selectmen present: Tracy Post, Mark Forest, Erik Tolley, and Mike Stone. Also attending: Yarmouth Town Administrator Dan Knapik; Yarmouth Assistant Town Administrator, Chris Dwelley; and Director of Assessing, Andy Machado.

1. Public Announcements & Comments

Vida Morris, resident, raised questions and concerns about a recent mailing that was sent by the Water Department included with water bills. Dan Knapik, Town Administrator, stated that the letter was sent out as a DEP legal requirement, but that subsequent testing of the water discussed in the mailing has revealed that it is safe to drink.

2. Selectmen Presentation of Sgt. Gannon Pins to Chief Frederickson

The Selectmen presented Police Chief Frederickson with commemorative pins in recognition of Sergeant Gannon's service to the Town of Yarmouth. Chief Frederickson thanked the Selectmen for the pins and their support throughout the entire tragedy. He indicated that he would give a pin to each of his officers.

3. Public Hearings

a. Special Entertainment License for Yarmouth Recreation for Summer Concerts. Licensing Chairman Stone read the legal ad into the record. Pat Armstrong, Director of Community Services, presented the application. She explained that the Yarmouth Recreation Department is looking for permission to provide live music on Parker's River Beach on six nights in the summer.

MOTION: To move to approve the application as presented.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Special Alcohol and Entertainment Licenses for Irish & Country Festival. Licensing Chairman Stone read the legal ad into the record. Pat McDonough presented the application for an entertainment and alcohol license. Mr. McDonough explained that he is looking to put on a music festival at the old Drive-In site on August 18th from 1 – 10 pm. Chairman Stone noted that the Selectmen did not receive any negative feedback involving alcohol at the applicant's previous event in Yarmouth (Irish Festival). Mr. McDonough also noted that all of his alcohol servers are TIPS certified.

MOTION: To move to close the public hearing.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: To move to approve the application as presented.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Yea 5 Nay 0

4. Tax Rate Reclassification Hearing

Selectman Holcomb read the notice for the public hearing into the record. Andy Machado, Director of Assessing, presented the topic of Yarmouth’s potential adoption of the Classification Act. He explained that this decision, which is up to the Board of Selectmen, would create two tax rates: one for the residential class of properties and one for the commercial class of properties. He stated that the Board of Assessors voted at their May 3, 2018 meeting to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Yarmouth continue to adopt a factor of 1 when assessing properties, and also recommended rejecting the residential and small commercial exemptions. Mr. Machado indicated that there have been no inquiries from the public to make this proposed change in the tax rate.

Vida Morris, resident, asked what the proposed tax rate for FY19 was. Mr. Machado responded that the proposed tax rate is \$10.10.

MOTION: To move to close the public hearing.

Motion by: Michael Stone Seconded by: Erik Tolley Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: To move that the Town of Yarmouth continue to tax all classes at the same rate by adopting a factor of 1, and to reject the residential and small commercial exemptions.

Motion by: Michael Stone Seconded by: Tracy Post Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: To move to authorize use of a signature stamp for Tax Rate forms and authorize the Town Administrator to sign for the Board of Selectmen electronically.

Motion by: Michael Stone Seconded by: Tracy Post Yea 5 Nay 0

5. Wastewater Agreement Update and Discussion

Dave Young of CDM Smith, presented an update on recent regional wastewater discussions between the towns of Yarmouth, Dennis, and Harwich. Mr. Young detailed the history of discussions between the towns and explained that the three towns’ Boards of Selectmen have supported the filing of special legislation that would allow for the creation of a regional partnership entity. The draft of the special legislation is currently under attorney review at the local and state level. Once the filing of special legislation is complete and approved by the legislature, the next step would be to draft an agreement for the DHY (Dennis, Harwich, Yarmouth) Clean Waters Community Partnership. Mr. Young explained that the DHY working subgroup is currently developing a draft of the agreement which uses the MFN (Mansfield-Foxborough-Norton) Regional Wastewater District agreement as a template. He explained that the agreement will govern how much each town will pay for wastewater treatment, and what factors those costs will be based on. If the agreement is supported by all of the towns’ Boards of Selectmen, an article would be recommended to be included in the Annual Town Meeting for May 2019.

The Selectmen briefly reviewed the draft of the special legislation. Selectman Holcomb asked how the special legislation could be amended. Mr. Young responded that the special legislation would have to be amended by the legislature but that the DHY Clean Water Community partnership could be amended by a vote of DHY commissioners.

Dan Knapik, Town Administrator, explained that there will be no vote from the Board of Selectmen on this topic tonight but that a final draft of the special legislation will be presented to Selectmen at their July 24, 2018 meeting.

Town Administrator Knapik reviewed the Consent Agenda and noted that there is a fee waiver request from the Mill Hill Residence. The Selectmen were not comfortable with the request from the Mill Hill Residence as no fee waivers have been granted before and this could set a bad precedent in Town.

MOTION: To move that the Board of Selectmen approve the consent agenda with the exception of the fee waiver request from the Mill Hill Residence.

Motion by: Erik Tolley

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Yea 5 Nay 0

b. Town Administrator Updates: Town Administrator Knapik stated that Town Hall restoration efforts in relation to the recent flood at Town Hall have been completed. He also noted that the Town is looking into enhancing security at Town Hall.

9. Adjourn

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

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Yea 5 Nay 0

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Dennehy

DISTRIBUTED MATERIAL AGENDA PACKET

- Special Entertainment License for Yarmouth Recreation for Summer Concerts
- Special Alcohol and Entertainment Licenses for Irish & Country Festival
- Tax Rate Reclassification Documents
- Memo to Town Administrator from CDM dated June 25, 2018 re: Process to Potentially Create the DHY Clean Waters Community Partnership
- Email to Old King's Highway Committee Chairman from Judith Recknagel dated June 5, 2018 re: Resignation
- Email to BOS from George B. Keefe dated June 18, 2018 re: Resignation from the Golf Enterprise Committee
- Memo to BOS from Appointments Chairman dated June 27, 2018 re: RASWAC Appointments
- Memo to BOS from Appointments Chairman dated June 27, 2018 re: Library Board Appointment
- BOS Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2018
- BOS Meeting Minutes from January 30, 2018
- BOS Meeting Minutes from February 6, 2018
- BOS Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2018
- BOS Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2018
- 2018 BOS Upcoming Agenda Items Schedule
- Letter to BOS from Mill Hill Residence dated June 26, 2018 re: Request for complimentary beach sticker
- Memo to BOS from Recreation Division dated June 28, 2018 re: Fee Waiver for Special Entertainment Music at Parker's River Beach
- Email to DPW Administrative Supervisor from President, Barnstable-Yarmouth Lions Club dated June 20, 2018 re: Fund-Raising Request
- Special Entertainment License Application for Bass River Arts & Craft Festival
- Memo to BOS from Recreation Division dated June 15, 2018 re: Donations
- Memo to BOS from YPD dated June 26, 2018 re: Donation Approval Request
- Memo to BOS from Director of Senior Services dated June 21, 2018 re: Eversource Life Support – Emergency Preparedness for Senior Services
- Board of Health Meeting Agenda for June 18, 2018