



**Wellfleet Board of Selectmen
Minutes of September 13, 2016
Wellfleet Senior Center**

Present: Selectmen Dennis Murphy, Helen Miranda Wilson, Janet Reinhart; Jerry Houk; Town Administrator Dan Hoort, Assistant Town Administrator Brian Carlson

Regrets: Berta Bruinooge

Chairman Dennis Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Announcements, Open Session and Public Comment [7:00]

- Wilson and Dick Elkin announced a notice from Cape Light Compact and the Cape Cod Technology Council about a meeting hosted by the Wellfleet Community Forum on September 24 at 2 pm at the Library to discuss the proposed by Eversouce Smart Grid Plan currently under review by the Department of Public Utilities.
- Reinhart announced that the Fire Chief will speak about public water and fire safety at the Library on September 20 at 6 pm.
- Murphy informed that MOU III of the Herring River Restoration Project has been approved and signed by Truro and Wellfleet after satisfactory review by a legal counsel.
- Hoort announced that Article 41 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting has been ruled against by the Attorney General.
- Tom Chimento raised concerns about the appearance of the Beaches due to beach bonfires and said that he had submitted pictures of how Newcomb Hollow beach looks like.

Murphy opened the public hearing(s) at 7:05 pm.

Tax Classification Hearing for FY 2017

Town Assessor Nancy Vail presented the classification Hearing Memo¹ for FY 2017. She informed the Selectmen of the available options and recommended to retain the single tax rate.

MOTION 217-051: Reinhart moved to retain the single tax rate to make the residential factor numeral 1 for FY 17. Wilson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

After the motion Vail answered a question by Erica Wagner about the potential burden to non-residents if Option One was the preferred choice.

Amendment in Shellfish Rules and Regulations, 7.15.3

Shellfish Constable Andrew Koch presented the proposed amendment to the Shellfish Policy and Regulations, 7.15.3 by first giving background information about the amendment and the effects of the changes. Barbara Austin, Chair of the SAB was concerned about the frequent amendments and the printing costs. Wilson said that this amendment had already been reviewed by the DMF.

MOTION 217-052: Wilson moved to approve the amendment to 7.15.3 of the Shellfish Rules and Policy as printed. Murphy seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Seasonal to Annual Liquor License for Chap + Wags, Inc. dba The Wagner at Duck Creek

Leon E. Wagner and Erica Wagner presented their request for Annual Liquor license for Chap + Wags dba The Wagner at Duck Creek. Houk expressed concerns that it might take a long time for the approval process with the Mass ABC and suggested seeking the assistance of Sarah Peake if needed. Reinhart wanted to know the specific areas to be licensed for serving alcohol. Houk complimented the owners for the well done job restoring the venue. Stephen Polowczyk, Rhonda Fowler and May-Ellen Manning agreed with Houk's compliments.

MOTION 217-053: Reinhart moved and Wilson seconded to approve the request of Leon E. Wagner for Chap + Wags, Inc. dba The Wagner at Duck Creek to change from a Seasonal Liquor License to an Annual Liquor License. The motion passed 4-0.

Appointments/Reappointments

The selectmen interviewed Rhonda Fowler, who had expressed interest to serve on the Cultural Council, Recycling Committee and/or Recreation Committee.

MOTION 217-054: Wilson moved and Reinhart seconded to appoint Rhonda Fowler to the Cultural Council and the Recreation Committee with terms ending June 30, 2019. The motion passed 4-0.

In the absence of Brenda Correia the selectmen postponed reviewing her request for appointment to the Personnel Board with term ending June 30, 2019

Appointments to the Herring River Restoration Project MOU III Executive Committee

MOTION 217-055: Reinhart moved to appoint Helen Miranda Wilson to the Herring River Restoration Project MOU III Executive Committee. Murphy seconded and recognized the dedicated service of Wilson to this project. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION 217-056: Wilson moved to appoint Dennis Murphy to the to the Herring River Restoration Project MOU III Executive Committee. Reinhart seconded and recognized the service of Murphy to this project. The motion passed 4-0.

Business: Approval of Department of Public Works request for fall tax bill insert

MOTION 217-057: Reinhart moved to approve the DPW insertion about plowing paved private roads with the fall tax bills. Wilson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

BOS Meeting schedule for October and November

The selectmen discussed options for additional meeting in October and November and decided to have a meeting on October 4 at 4 pm at Town Hall; October 25, November 1 and 22, 2016.

Open the Warrant for Special Town Meeting

Hoort requested a motion to open the warrant for 2016 Special Town Meeting.

MOTION 217-058: Wilson moved to open the warrant for Special Town Meeting on November 15, 2016 and close it on October 4, 2016 at 4:00 PM. Reinhardt seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Draft ATM 2017 and FY 2018 Budget Schedule

Hoort presented the draft FY 2018 Budget Schedule and 2017 ATM and said that there is no action required at this time.

Approval of final 2016-2017 Board of Selectmen Goals

The selectmen reviewed the final list of goals for 2016-2017. As a result discussion ensued about the need for full time building inspector. This matter will be reviewed during one of the coming meetings. Hoort will gather more information to assist the Board in their review.

MOTION 217-059: Reinhart moved to approve the 2016-2017 BOS goals as printed. Wilson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Town Administrator's Report

Hoort presented his report² and said that he will be looking for feedback and directions for the set goals and will give a monthly update on the goals status. Houk asked for status update on the Transfer Station Operator vacancy. Hoort explained that the interviewing process has not begun yet, but he will be involved and will update the Board when more information is available.

Future Concerns

- Reinhart expressed interest to revisit and research electronic voting in Wellfleet. Houk opposed. Wilson expressed concerns about frequency of malfunctioning.
- Wilson said that the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan draft has been revised and will require further studying.
- Wilson asked for the Planning Board recommendation about the National Park Services Landing Strip swap. Murphy said that the Assessor's map would be amended to reflect Slade Associates research of the property.
- Houk asked for update on the White Crest parking expansion.

Correspondence³ and Vacancy⁴ Report

Reinhart said that the correspondence about an illegal sign of the landscaping company should be addressed. Wilson talked about the letter received by OCHS on August 25, 2016 and the fact that they have identified on-site well. Houk recognized Wilson for her suggestion to look for water source on site.

Minutes

MOTION 217-060: Reinhart moved and Wilson seconded to approve the minutes⁵ of August 23, 2016 as amended by Wilson. The motion passed 4-0.

Adjournment

MOTION 217-061: Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 pm. Reinhart seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michaela Miteva, Executive Assistant

Public Record Documents:

¹ Classification Hearing – Fiscal 2017 Assessor's Memo

² TA Report of

³ Correspondence Report of August 23, 2016

⁴ Vacancy Report of August 18, 2016

⁵ Draft minutes of August 9, 2016