

BOOTHBAY HARBOR SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2019

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ATTENDING: Michael Tomko-Chair
Trisha Warren-Vice Chair
Ken F-Fitch
Wendy Wolf

Julia Latter, Acting Town Manager/Finance Officer

Chairman Tomko called the Board of Selectmen's Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Board of Selectmen and members of the audience.

Introductions of the Board of Selectmen.

ACTING TOWN MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. With the impending Nor'easter lasting until Thursday Regional Emergency Management Director, Scott Campbell, has been in contact with all departments. He will be monitoring the storm closely and announcing any warming shelters that will be needed.
2. Due to the storm paving that was scheduled on Emery Lane will be postponed until hopefully Friday through next week.
3. Speed buoys and channel markers are being hauled this week. The pump out boat was removed today and the harbor master boat will remain in the water until after the Boothbay Lights Fireworks show which will be held on November 30th at 6:00 p.m.
4. The next meeting falls on Veteran's Day so it will be rescheduled for Tuesday, November 12th.
5. Chair Tomko asked Latter about the footbridge and the whale park restrooms. Latter stated the footbridge restrooms will remain open until the first of November and the whale park restrooms will stay open until after the Boothbay Lights.

TOWN DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Acting Town Manager Latter announced that Police Chief Hasch is scheduled to present at the October 28th meeting. Public Works Foreman Upham will present at the November 12th meeting.
2. Chair Tomko announced that Code Enforcement Officer Smith will be holding a Planning Board Workshop on October 29th at 2:00 p.m. regarding subdivisions.

SELECTMEN REPORTS:

1. Chair Tomko announced that the search for town manager has been narrowed down to two candidates. They will be having a public meet and greet Monday, October 28th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
2. Chair Tomko mentioned an article that was in the paper about a business that has recently moved, Coastal Shipping. First he wanted to thank Mike Elkins for years of service. The article questioned the

ability for the town to be able to support businesses. Code Enforcement Officer Smith and the planning board work to support local businesses he stated any questions going forward can be directed to them.

3. Vice Chair Warren updated the board on the second Broadband Committee meeting. The presentation was done by LCI. Looking forward to two more presentations with Consolidated Communications and Spectrum. Warren encourages everyone to attend. Next meeting will be November 4th at 6:30 p.m.
4. Selectperson Wolf updated the board on the housing meeting that was held on Saturday, October 12th. The meeting was well attended and there were lot of good questions. Boothbay Town Manager Bryer and Boothbay Harbor Acting Town Manager Latter would be happy to answer any further questions.

FINANCIALS:

1. Motion was made to approve an anonymous donation for the amount of \$25,000.00 for the Museum in the Streets project. Motion seconded and unanimously approved. Approved 4-0.
2. Overview of financials given by Julia Latter.

MINUTES:

1. Approval of the September 23, 2019 meeting minutes. Approved 4-0.
2. Approval of the October 3, 2019 public hearing minutes. Approved 4-1 abstention (Vice Chair absent from meeting)

LICENSES: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cody Mitchell from BRTV presented the Boothbay Harbor Live Video Conference System Proposal. After some discussion, Acting Town Manager said she would look over budget to see if money was available to allow us to move forward. If available she will bring a purchase order for approval to the October 28th meeting.
2. There was a motion and a second to approve the warrant for the Special Town Meeting to be held on November 5, 2019. Approved 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a motion and a second to approve the updated JEDC Joint Economic Development Agreement. Approved 4-0

PUBLIC FORUM: Joseph Charpentier, reporter from the Boothbay Register, mentioned it has been about 13 years since the last search for town manager. Charpentier asked how much the salary was the last time around. Acting Town Manager Latter said she has total as of July 1st this year, but would have to get back to him with anything prior to June 30th.

WARRANTS: There was a motion and a second to approve the warrants upon review. The motion was approved unanimously. Approved 4-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: An executive session was held under MRSA Title 1, §405 6 (A), personnel matters beginning at 7:50 p.m.

The board came out of executive session at 7:56 p.m. and no decisions were made.

MOVE TO ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m. after unanimous approval. Approved 4-0.