

**MINUTES
BOOTHBAY HARBOR
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MAY 13, 2019**

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ATTENDING:

Mike Tomko-Chair
Trisha Warren-Vice Chair
Wendy Wolf
Denise Griffin
Ken F-Fitch

Tom Woodin, Town Manager
Julia Latter, Finance

Chair Wolf called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Introductions of the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen.

TOWN MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Reminder that job postings for Harbor Master and seasonal Public Works positions end on Friday 5/17/2019.
2. Reminder that the next meeting falls on Memorial Day so it will be rescheduled for Tuesday May 28th.
3. Reminder of what Board and Committee positions are available. Appointments will be in June.
4. Welcome back to Mike Tomko and welcome to newly elected Ken F Fitch.

SELECTMEN REPORTS:

None

FINANCIALS:

Overview of financials given by Julia Latter. Expenses and revenues continue to track normally.

MINUTES:

Approved the April 22th, 2019 meeting minutes. Approved 4-0. Ken F-Fitch abstained because he had not been elected yet.

LICENSES:

1. More than 70 licenses were approved. The lists containing all the public notices are on file with the Town Clerk and a copy will be attached with these minutes.

All licenses were approved unanimously except for what's listed below that required some Board members to abstain due to conflict of interest.

Liquor license renewal for the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club was approved 3-0 with Wendy Wolf and Ken F-Fitch abstaining.

Special amusement license renewal for Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club was approved 3-0 with Wendy Wolf and Ken F-Fitch abstaining.

Victualer license(s) renewal for Shannon's Unshelled was approved 4-0 with Mike Tomko abstaining. The Opera House at Boothbay Harbor Inc was approved 4-0 with Ken F-Fitch abstaining. The Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club was approved 3-0 with Wendy Wolf and Ken F-Fitch abstaining. Mama D's Mercantile was approved 4-0 with Ken F-Fitch abstaining. Wave's Restaurant was approved 4-0 with Mike Tomko abstaining. Bistro Inc. was approved 4-0 with Tricia Warren abstaining. Cod's Head was approved 4-0 with Tricia Warren abstaining. Mine Oyster was approved 4-0 with Tricia Warren abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of new Chair (Mike Tomko) and Vice Chair (Tricia Warren).
2. Wharves and Weirs hearing for Ruping Exempt Family Trust, Lauren Stockwell was their representative who briefly explained the configuration of the docks. Several questions were asked. The application met all three licensing requirements and was unanimously approved without conditions.
3. Chris Higgins from the Sewer District explained proposed changes to their aged charter and requested a letter of support from the board to assist in it going through

the Legislature process. The board agreed to the letter of support and asked Chris Higgins and the Town Manager to draft it.

4. Mary Ellen Barnes, Lincoln County Regional Planning discussed some possible processes to use when considering a Harbor Front Master Plan. She had some examples of other towns that had done similar things. She also discussed some possible future grant opportunities.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC FORUM:

Merritt Blakeslee explained his position on why he and a room full of pickleballers who signed a petition wanted two pickleball courts painted on the basketball surface in addition to the dedicated court at the school field. The towns position was that with the four pickleball courts at the YMCA and two of the High School tennis courts that are used with temporary/not painted lines and the two already agreed to on the town property, that eight courts was enough to start with and that unduly encumbering the basketball court was not necessary at this time. The issue could be reconsidered in the future. There was conversation on both sides either supporting a ninth court or not painting it in at this time. Merritt Blakeslee had taken it upon himself to draft a motion for the Board of Selectmen to vote upon that and additionally offered to pay the Town \$300 for the stripping. The Board voted 4 against and 1 in favor (Mike Tomko) of the motion. The motion did not pass.

John and Judy Seitzer passed out to the Board a four-question letter regarding the drafting and wording of the warrant articles that recently passed at the May 3rd Town meeting. Since the Board of Selectmen were not prepared to discuss the issue, it was referred to the Town Attorney, John Cunningham to respond on behalf of the board.

WARRANTS: There was a motion and a second to approve the current warrants upon review That motion was approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: An executive session was held with John Cunningham under MRSA Title 1, Chapter 13, subchapter 1, 405 6e. It was held prior to the regular meeting. It began at 6:00 PM after unanimous vote. No decisions were made upon coming out of executive session which occurred at 7:55 PM.

MOVE TO ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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