# BOOTHBAY HARBOR SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

## VIA ZOOM

January 11, 2021

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ATTENDING: Michael Tomko - Chair

Tricia Warren - Vice Chair

Denise Griffin Wendy Wolf

Julia Latter, Town Manager Kathleen Pearce, Finance Officer

Chairman Tomko called the Board of Selectmen's Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Introductions of the Board of Selectmen.

### TOWN MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Town Manager, Latter started off by wishing everyone a Happy New Year.
- 2. The next Budget Meeting will be on January 13 2021, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.
- 3. Nomination papers for town officers will be available beginning January 27, 2021. Positions available will be:

One Year Term

1 Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

#### Three Year Terms

- 1 Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor
- 1 School Committee Member of the Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor CSD
- 1 Trustee of the Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor CSD
- 1 Trustee of the Boothbay Region Water District
- 1 Trustee of the Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor Cemetery District
- 1 Trustee of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District.

Papers must be returned to the Town clerk by 4:30 p.m. on March 8, 2021.

- 4. The last day to register a dog without a late fee of \$25 being accessed will be January 31st.
- 5. Latter posted two signs last Friday at the proposed site location on Atlantic Avenue notifying the public that the board intends to consider and discuss widening a portion of Atlantic Avenue for the purpose of adding sidewalks. This will be placed for discussion on the January 25<sup>th</sup>'s agenda and notice of that meeting to discuss this proposal will be published.
- 6. The town office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.
- 7. Latter asked the board to re-appoint Michelle Farnham as registrar of voters from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022. Motion was made to re-appoint Michelle Farnham as the Registrar of Voters for a two-year term from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022. Motion seconded and unanimously approved. Approved 4-0.

#### TOWN DEPARTMENT REPORTS: NONE

#### **SELECTMEN REPORTS:**

- 1. Tomko mentioned the prior budget meeting and thanked new member Kenneth Rayle for attending.
- 2. Vice Chair Warren updated the board on the broadband committee. The next meeting is scheduled for February 1<sup>st</sup>, Allen from LCI will be attending. The committee will also be discussing results of the survey.

FINANCIALS: Overview of financials given by Finance Officer, Kathleen Pearce.

MINUTES: Approval of the December 28, 2020, meeting minutes. Approved 4-0.

LICENSES: Liquor License – Renewal license for Ports Pizzeria, 28 Union Street (Malt, Spirituous & Vinous). Approved 4-0.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. A Wharves and Weirs Hearing for Boothbay Region Maritime Foundation, represented by Gartley and Dorsky Engineering and Surveying, Map #16 Lots #21 and 22, 85 and 87 Atlantic Ave., Boothbay Harbor was held earlier. They are proposing to remove the existing pile supported wharf and pier, and associated floats, reconstruct an existing seawall, construct a new pile supported wharf and pier, install a 3,000 square foot bait storage building, and lobster tank building. The pier repairs include the removal of a total of 450 existing timber piles and install a total of 314 new pilings. The applicant also proposes to install a new float system off the north face of the pier consisting of: (1) eight-foot wide by eight-foot long float; (23) eight-foot wide by 24-foot long floats; (9) six-foot wide by 24-foot long floats; (6) six-foot wide by 16-foot long floats; and (2) 12-foot wide by 24-foot long floats., in the waters of Boothbay Harbor, Maine. The application met all three approval requirements. Motion was made to approve with condition that reflectors be placed on each corner and in the middle of the float. Approved 4-0.
- 2. Gary Stone, First National Wealth Management updated the board on how the towns investments are doing and gave forecast for the future.

OLD BUSINESS: COVID-19 discussion – Selectperson Wolf mentioned the next meeting with the COVID Incident Command Task Force will be this coming Thursday and encourages people to still maintain following all COVID safety guidelines.

PUBLIC FORUM: Tomko mentioned how nice it was seeing the town decorated for the holidays and believes everyone enjoyed it while also obeying social distancing guidelines.

WARRANTS: Motion was made to approve the warrants upon review. Motion seconded and unanimously approved. Approved 4-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE** 

MOVE TO ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m. after unanimous approval. Approved 4-0.