

Minutes
Boothbay Harbor
Selectman Meeting
October 26, 2015

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ATTENDING: Denise Griffin, Chairman
William Hamblen, Vice Chairman
Russ Hoffman
Tricia Warren
Wendy Wolf

Thomas Woodin, Town Manager

Chairman Denise Griffin called the Board of Selectman's meeting to order at 6:55PM.

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

Town Manager's Announcements

Manager Woodin – update on the old Harbor Master boat.

There was no interest at all after running the sales ad for three (3) weeks. He stated that this was not a good time of year for boat sales and that the boat would be winterized and another ad to sell the boat would be placed in the Spring. This received unanimous agreement from The Board.

Financials:

Julia Latter reviewed the financial totals with the Board. Appreciation given to Bill Hamblen for the graphs.

Consent Agenda:

Chairman Griffin asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2015. It was noted that the minutes should read 405 "6A" not 405 6A.
With the addition of the parenthesis minutes were given unanimous approval.

Old Business

Wendy Wolf gave an update on economic development. Board Member Wolf stated that meetings have been every two (2) weeks. Town Manager, Tom Woodin and Planning Board Chairman, Mike Tomko have been in attendance at these meetings. Key things done between Boothbay and Boothbay Harbor, as identifying "Hot Spots" for activity within the region that people are aware of regarding planned growth and various projects under development. Group has gathered information to be able to provide guidance, learn more for various groups deliberations and identify longer term projects.

Co-chairs have been elected:

Boothbay- Abby Levine

Boothbay Harbor – Wendy Wolf

Southport has also sent two representatives who are welcome as guest participants.

The next meeting is next week. Activities planned are gaining suggestions for three (3) to four (4) businesses in the community to have interviewed to gain a broader understanding of:

- Assets that are seen in the community
- Positive points that made them want to locate here, stay here, build a business in the area
- What is inhibiting them from growing
- Find out if there are other activities the committee should be aware of

Manager Woodin added that they have asked MaryEllen Barnes to consolidate the two (2) towns comprehensive plans priorities so that they can be reviewed to be sure goals are in line and focused on.

PB Chairman Tomko explained that the meetings would be moved to the YMCA conference room to allow more "hands on" exploration of ideas and utilize the resources available at that location.

New Business

Proclamation

Valearie Young, Chairman of Boothbay Treasures – a coalition of non-profit organizations in the community. This year there are thirty-seven (37) non-profits participating. Focus on "Giving Tuesday" a national day of philanthropy following the big shopping days. It is a relief, remembering to donate to organizations that provide services. This year "Giving Tuesday" is December 1, 2015

Chairman Young explained that the Proclamation is standard wording that comes from "Giving Tuesday". The wording can be altered in any way and approved for the region. Other towns in the region are also being asked to do the proclamation and a request has been sent to the State as well for the Governor to make a proclamation.

Chairman Griffin stated that the Proclamation has been signed and endorsed in previous years. One comment made by Wendy Wolf to change the wording from "Citizens" to "residents" to be inclusive of everyone who live in the local area.

Change will be made and the Proclamation will be signed at the next meeting. Unanimous approval given as amended.

Public Forum

No Public forum

Warrants

Motion was made to approve the warrants. Unanimous approval.

Executive Session

No executive session

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made. Unanimous approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.

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