

MINUTES OF THE SALISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024 – 7:00 PM
SALISBURY TOWN HALL, 5 BEACH ROAD
COLCHESTER ROOM

PRESENT: Chairman Ronalee Ray-Parrott, Selectmen Michael Colburn, Selectman Chuck Takesian, Selectman Donna Abdulla, and Selectman Terry Marengi, Jr.
ALSO PRESENT: Neil J. Harrington, Town Manager, and Adrienne Linnell, Executive Assistant

I. Call to Order/Salute to the Flag

Chairman Ray-Parrott called the meeting to order at 7:19 PM in the Colchester Room, Salisbury Town Hall. She then announced, per the Open Meeting Law, that this meeting is being recorded and broadcast live.

II. Acceptance of Minutes: Regular Session of March 25, 2024.

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Colburn; unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the March 25, 2024 regular meeting.

III. Public Comment – None

Old Business – None

IV. New Business

a. License Renewals:

b. New Licenses:

Special Event Permit –

Ride to End ALZ New England, sponsored by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH - June 1, 2024
7:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Colburn, unanimously voted to approve the permit. The Town Manager was asked to seek a clarification from Chief Fowler as to why no police details will be required for this event.

c. License Amendments: Hungry Traveler, Inc. -- 98 Beach Road – Change of
Officers/Directors

Motion by Selectman Abdulla, Second by Selectman Takesian, unanimously voted to approve.

d. Liquor License Renewals: None

e. New Liquor Licenses:

One Day Special Liquor License –

Rock n' Roll Trivia, sponsored by Salisbury Lions Club - May 18, 2024 6:00 P.M.-10:00 P.M.

Dan Welch from the Lions Club addressed the Board and described the event, saying that he expects it will be basically the same as last year, playing music and asking trivia questions, serving alcohol and pizza. The event will start around 6:30 PM and end about 9:30 PM. He mentioned that ticket sales are online or you can pay AJ Pappas through Venmo.

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Abdulla, voted 4-0-1 to approve, pending the receipt of the insurance binder. (Mr. Colburn abstained)

f. Committee Appointments:

Planning Board – One term expiring 06/30/2025; two applicants – Angelica Medina and Richard Saba

Motion by Selectman Colburn, Second by Selectman Marengi, unanimously voted to appoint Angelica Medina to the Planning Board and to advertise the position of alternate member as vacant.

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Harbor Commission – One term expiring 06/30/2026; one applicant – Mike Tennis (incumbent)

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Colburn, unanimously voted to re-appoint Mike Tennis to the Harbor Commission

Conservation Commission – One term expiring 6/30/26; one applicant: Tim Johnson

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Marengi, unanimously voted to appoint Tim Johnson to the Conservation Commission, replacing Mike Colburn.

g. Update/Presentation: COA/Library Director

COA - Elizabeth Pettis presented her update to the Board. She spoke about the different food programs offered at the Hilton Center. The Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 1:00 -3:00 PM and Fridays from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Also, a Local Harvest Program will be available in the summer with local farmers providing fresh vegetables each week. Regarding transportation programs, EZ Trans provides curb-to-curb service operating out of the MVRTA and rides for medical appointments outside our operating area are available. Both of those programs are available to the seniors but they have to sign up in advance by calling the Hilton Center. She also mentioned that she is hoping to have Andy the van driver back in May after recent surgery.

Ms. Pettis also noted that Pauline Stanwood is back at the senior center each Tuesday and Thursday to help with Fuel Assistance programs and SNAP applications. She then mentioned Audrey the outreach coordinator assisting clients with their health and prescription insurance and doing phone and office consultations, and she is now a certified SHINE Counselor. Audrey is also working on the monthly Memory Café program, where caregivers and their loved ones socialize and engage in a planned activity and lunch. The next meeting is on Wednesday, April 10th @ 11:00 AM. The Bereavement Support Group, under the guidance of LSW Noella Kloppenburg, is very important, with group discussions and opportunities to share. The group meets next on Tuesday, April 16th @ 1:00 pm. She went on to say that the COA has volunteers from AARP processing tax returns every Wednesday since February and over 100 seniors have been assisted with their tax returns.

Ms. Pettis also mentioned all the other activities the COA is continuing to offer: balance classes, yoga, Tai Chi, senior fitness, line dancing, Mahjong, Bingo and 45's, cribbage, quilting, kitting and art classes. She then talked about upcoming events.

- Book Club meets this Friday April 12th and the 2nd Friday of each month
- Indoor corn hole twice each month.
- Corn hole and Taco Bar Thursday, April 18th at 11:30
- Fairy Gnome garden workshop on Wednesday, April 24th with Jenn Raketenez. Seniors can display their garden in the discovery walk on April 27
- Walking group –“Walking with Warren” meets each Monday and Wednesday at 9:00 AM at the senior center, weather permitting
- Memorial Day Parade – The staff and seniors plan on walking this year, and the van will be available. She encouraged all seniors and their children or grandchildren to walk with them on Memorial Day.
- Monday May 6 -- the Friends Group is hosting another coffee hour at 10:00 AM, sponsored by Creative Touch.

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- During the first week in May, all fitness classes (balance, yoga, line dancing, and senior fitness) will be offered free.
- On Monday, May 13, at 10:00 AM there will be a special presentation from the Delvena Theatre Company's production of *Nun of This and Nun of That!* It is an interactive, live comedy sponsored in part by the Salisbury Cultural Arts Council. Tickets are available for \$2.00.
- On Friday May 24 at 1:00 PM, the COA is looking to have another Skee-ball tournament at Joe's Playland.

She then answered any questions the Board had.

Library Director – Terry Kyrios presented her update to the Board. She started off saying that it wasn't too early to reserve museum passes for April vacation. The following passes are available: The New England Aquarium, The Children's Museum of New Hampshire, The Science Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Peabody Essex Museum, Seacoast Science Center at Odiorne, and the Mass State Parks pass. She said there are brochures listing the passes and patron can also go on the Library's website.

Ms. Kyrios went on to mention the regular programs offered by the Library: book groups, Tarot instruction and yoga classes. Recently added is a local history club, facilitated by Kristen Packer, the Reference and Technology Librarian, that meets on the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting is Thursday, April 18th @ 6 PM. Lectures are free and no sign ups are necessary. Another program added is a once-a-month craft program lead by Rachelle Toth, which meets next on Tuesday, April 30th @ 6 PM. Sign up is required. Ms. Kyrios also spoke about two upcoming programs: Haiku through the Seasons with a local author Ann McCrea on Thursday April 11th @ 6:15 PM, and a program sponsored by the Salisbury Historical Society, with Jim Pollard speaking on the Pike Family on Thursday, May 9th @ 6PM in the main meeting room.

Ms. Kyrios then mentioned the Children's Summer program, which is still being put together. Programs scheduled so far include Curious Creatures, Lindsey and her Puppets, a family program on how to play the ukulele, Little Groove Music and a presentation by Newburyport Theatre in the open. She mentioned all the information will be provided at the front desk, which includes a calendar of events and pamphlets. She then answered any questions the Board had.

- h. Vote to Set Public Hearing Date for Proposed Amendments to Water and Sewer Regulations.

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Abdulla, unanimously voted to set the date of the hearing for Monday April 22nd @ 7:15 PM.

- i. Vote to Refer to the Planning Board a Zoning Amendment re: New Map Related to the MBTA Communities Multi-Family Zoning Overlay District, pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A, Section 5

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Marengi., unanimously voted to refer to new map to the Planning Board for a public hearing

VI. Sewer/Water - None

VII. Correspondence

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VIII. Hearings - None

IX. Town Manager's Report

Mr. Harrington gave a brief overview of his written report, a copy of which is available in the Selectmen's office.

X. Selectmen's Report

a. Ratification of Signing of Weekly Warrants:

Motion by Selectman Takesian, Second by Selectman Abdulla; unanimously voted to ratify the signing of the following weekly warrants: W24-121 through W24-126.

Motion by Selectman Colburn, Second by Selectman Takesian, unanimously voted to approve.

Selectman Colburn stated that he attended the recent MRBA meeting along with Town Manager Harrington and Selectman Abdulla. He wants everyone to write to the Governor seeking funding for beach nourishment, saying it is imperative the State address this issue immediately. Selectman Takesian mentioned that he attended Jim Pollard's birthday party and wished him a Happy Birthday. Selectman Abdulla also wished Mr. Pollard a Happy Birthday and mentioned that she recently attended the 11th Annual "Motorcycles are Everywhere" event at Gracie's.

XI. Executive Session - None

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Selectman Takesian, second by Selectman Abdulla; unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:05 P.M.


Documents provided at the meeting and on file in the Selectmen's Office:

Minutes of March 25, 2024

Town Manager's Report.

Respectfully submitted:

Adrienne Linnell, Executive Assistant

Approved: 
Donna Abdulla, Clerk