

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MAY 11, 2015

PRESENT: Selectmen Donald Beaulieu, Chairman; Freeman Condon, Ed Hunt, Henry Richenbourg, and Wilma McDonald
ABSENT: Neil J. Harrington, Town Manager
ALSO PRESENT: Janet Flannery, Secretary

I. Call to Order/Salute to the Flag

Chairman Beaulieu called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Colchester Room, Salisbury Town Hall. He then announced, per the Open Meeting Law, that this meeting is being recorded and broadcast live.

II. Acceptance of Minutes Minutes of April 27, 2015

Motion by Selectman Richenbourg, Second by Selectman Condon; unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of April 27, 2015 as written.

III. Old Business

General License – TintAutos.com – 2 School St.

Chairman Beaulieu said he spoke with the Health Agent and he indicated that the issues he had have been resolved. The other issue took care of itself when the other tenant moved out and the second access was no longer necessary. Therefore, there is no reason to hold up the license any longer.

Motion by Selectman Richenbourg, Second by Selectman McDonald; unanimously voted to approve the license with the same conditions/restrictions that may have been on the original license and all subsequent renewals.

IV. New Business

a. License Renewals:

Motion by Selectman Richenbourg, Second by Selectman Condon; unanimously voted to renew a **Common Victualer** license, with the same conditions/restrictions that may have been on the original license and all subsequent renewals for: All American Tavern – 34 Bridge Rd.

Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenbourg; unanimously voted to renew a **General** license, with the same conditions/restrictions that may have been on the original license and all subsequent renewals for: Proactive Chiropractic – 167 Elm Street, Suite 9

Motion by Selectman McDonald, Second by Selectman Richenbourg; unanimously voted to renew a **General** license, with the same conditions/restrictions that may have been on the original license and all subsequent renewals for: Slicks Cuts & Shaves – 203 Lafayette Rd.

Motion by Selectman Richenbourg, Second by Selectman McDonald; unanimously voted to renew a **General** license, with the same conditions/restrictions that may have been on the original license and all subsequent renewals for: Systems by Miles – 57 Elm St.

b. New Licenses – no applications received

c. License Amendments

Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenbourg; unanimously voted to approve an amendment to the **Repair** license reflecting a change of address for: Merry Motors at 124 Lafayette Road, which was formerly at 2 School Street.

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d. Committee Appointments - none

e. Update/Presentations: Planning Board

Donald Egan, Planning Board Chairman, indicated that the Planning Board has a full board. He then reported that it has been a light year and reported on their activities since January: they approved 2 site plan reviews – 1 for 82 Lafayette Rd., and the other for 175 Beach Road; approved 1 minor SPR for 106 Elm Street, and there is one pending. The largest project that the Board has been working on has been the proposed zoning of the Lafayette Road Corridor. Workshops have been held for the past two years with the first being held in the Spring of 2014 regarding Lafayette Rd./Main Street rezoning. A consultant was hired for review and creation of the Lafayette Rd. and Main St. corridors zoning. Workshops were held on 1/14/15, 2/11/15, 3/11/15, 3/18/15, and 3/25/15. Zoning public hearings were held on 4/8/15 and 4/22/15 and the next one is scheduled for 5/13/15. The public is encouraged to attend.

f. Discuss Issues that the SBBA would like addressed by the Town

Chairman Beaulieu referred to the recent letter from the Salisbury Beach Betterment Association, and specifically the 4 points highlighted which were briefly discussed at the last meeting. Since that time, he has found out the following:

1. Condition of the town parking lot sign: It appears that the sign was damaged over the winter from the storms. The front part has been removed and a new sign has been ordered.

2. Condition of the public restrooms: This is an issue – he had a conversation with the Town Manager and he was informed that each year there is about \$15,000 allocated in the general operating budget specifically for maintenance of the bathrooms yearly. The Town is aware of some of the issues relative to maintenance and they are being looked at by the DPW Director.

3. Condition of North End Blvd. and Central Ave.: As everyone knows, North End Blvd. is a State road. Regarding Central Ave., he was informed that this is not a public road and it's a situation just like Ocean Front South. The Town has taken care of potholes, but any extensive work cannot be done by the Town.

4. Storage and disposal of trash: It appears that the trash that accumulates is on the south end of the beach. The Town as a community does a good job with the center. Mr. Champagne feels that the Town should make sure that there is signage on the beach, at the access points, that this is a carry-in/carry-out beach and the Town should follow up and enforce that ruling.

Selectman Hunt asked the DPW Director why the restrooms are in the condition they are in and Mr. Leveque replied that they need to be renovated/gutted out and everything replaced. He stated further that he gives a capital improvement plan to the Warrant Advisory Committee every year outlining that has to be done.

Selectman McDonald said that the carry-in/carry-out is a great idea, but she doesn't think it works.

Selectman Richenburg asked Mr. Levesque how much it would cost to renovate the public restrooms and he said they would have to be gutted out at a cost of about \$20,000.

Mr. Champagne addressed the Board again and reiterated what was discussed at the last meeting and urged the Board to contact the State regarding repaving North End Blvd. He asked again that the Town remove the existing barrels and post signs indicating that it is a carry-in/carry-out beach. Finally, he said that the Town needs to be more forceful about dog waste not being picked up. In closing he said the SBBA would be willing to give a donation towards cleaning up the restrooms.

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Paula Moore, 180 North End Blvd. and SBBA board member, said that, as a taxpayer, she is sick and tired of hearing that North End Blvd is a State road and the Town can't repair it, and she wants somebody to fix North End Blvd.

Lou Masiello fully supports Ms. Moore and said by representing the Planning Board at the MVPC he has found that it is a "pressure proving advocacy" and the State will not pave North End Blvd. unless the Town pushes for it and he suggested that the Selectmen contact our State Rep. and Senator to make sure they push DOT.

Chuck Takesian, speaking as Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, said they have been pushing and lobbying trying to do something about the comfort stations and they have had recent discussions about getting donations.

Motion by Selectman Hunt, Second by Selectman McDonald; unanimously voted to forward these issues to the Town Manager for his review, request that he report back to the Board and try to address the issues as soon as possible.

g. Town Manager's Evaluation

Chairman Beaulieu read the Town Manager's Annual Performance Evaluation into the record, a copy of which is on file in the Town Hall.

h. Vote to Accept Easements at 72 Ferry Road

DPW Director Donald Levesque said that at 72 Ferry Road there has been an issue for several years in front of a residence where the drains were not working. He talked with the neighbor because there was no easement and he then asked if they would be willing to grant the Town an easement so that he could take care of the problem. The residents signed the easement that was drawn up by Town Counsel and Mr. Levesque requested that the Board vote to accept and sign the easement so he could move forward. Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenburg; unanimously voted to accept the easement at 72 Ferry Road as presented by the DPW Director.

V. Comments by Visitors

Cheryl Papandrea addressed the Board re: motels operating as dwellings. No action or discussion took place.

VI. Sewer/Water

Error on Sewer Bills

Mr. Levesque informed the Board that it appears that an error was made on the most recent water and sewer bill issued by Pennichuck Water Services Company, which is responsible for providing these billing services for the Town. The DPW Director said that the error is going to be corrected. However, if anyone has a service charge of \$1.40 they do not have to pay it.

VII. Correspondence

The Board received a notification from Triton Regional School District indicating that the School Committee had voted to make an adjustment to the District's FY15 budget resulting in an increase of \$200,000. However, this action will not affect the Town, as the increase if being funded from existing funds in the District's Excess and Deficiency fund.

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VIII. Hearings

7:30 PM – Verizon Pole Hearing for Installation of 1 pole on Gardner Street

Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenburg; unanimously voted to open the Public Hearing at 7:40 PM.

Joseph Gleason, representing Verizon, was present on behalf of National Grid. This request was for a support pole which is basically used to anchor guy wires. National Grid owns the pole but Verizon is responsible for setting the pole.

Chairman Beaulieu pointed out that the pole numbering on the plan and pole placement is not correct and suggested that if approved, the motion should stipulate that a corrected plan be provided.

Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenburg; unanimously voted to close the hearing at 7:48 PM.

Motion by Selectman Condon, Second by Selectman Richenburg; unanimously voted to approve the request to install the pole, subject to Verizon sending in a corrected plan with the amended numbering and location of the pole.

IX. Town Manager's Report

Mr. Harrington was absent this evening, but had prepared a report which the Chairman read into the record at the request of John Housianitis. This report is on file in the Selectmen's Office.

X. Selectmen's Report

a. Ratification of Signing of Weekly Warrants:

Motion by Selectman Richenburg, Second by Selectman McDonald; unanimously voted to ratify the signing of the following weekly warrants: W15-179 thru W15-184.

b. Subcommittee Reports

Library: Mr. Richenburg reported that site work is ongoing and the construction trailer has been removed from the property. Also, the interior is sheet-rocked and a first coat of paint has been done.

Selectman Condon pointed out that tomorrow is election day and urged everyone to take the responsibility to get out and vote. He then thanked Chairman Beaulieu for his services and state that even though they didn't always agree it has been a pleasure to serve on the Board with him. He then wished all candidates good luck.

Selectmen Hunt thanked Chairman Beaulieu for his services to the Town, and also noted that he and Mr. Beaulieu haven't agreed with everything, but have been able to agree to disagree. He then said he was at the beach this morning and heard sirens and he found there was a fire next to the Carefree Arcade; he stood back and watched the firemen and the way they handled the fire. He thanked our Department as well as the surrounding communities who responded.

Selectmen Richenburg said he really believes that people don't know how much work Chairman Beaulieu has put in as a member of the Board. He stated that Mr. Beaulieu's involvement with, and knowledge of, the Triton School District goes back several years, and Mr. Beaulieu has been of great assistance to him in explaining how the regional agreement works. He also mentioned Mr. Beaulieu's helpful work on the FEMA flood map issue and his overall record of helping people in town. He then thanked him for his many years of service.

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Chairman Beaulieu said this is his last meeting as a member of the Board of Selectmen, which is a culmination of more than 35 years of serving on various boards and committees in town. He stated that it's been a pleasure working with the present Board, as well as past members such as Jerry Klima, Fred Knowles, Chuck Takesian, and Terry Marengi.

Mr. Beaulieu then stated that voting is a privilege and we are lucky in this country that we can pick elected representatives who are dedicated, hardworking individuals who want to get the job done for the good of the community. He feels he's been very fortunate to have served as a member of the Board of Selectmen for the last nine years, noting that, in his opinion, the Board has accomplished many good things for the benefit of the citizens of the Town.

XI. Executive Session - none

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Selectman Richenburg, Second by Selectman McDonald; unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:00 PM.

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

Minutes of April 27, 2015

Copies of licenses as listed

Info re: Easements at 72 Ferry Rd.

Town Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted:

Janet E. Flannery, Secretary

Approved: _____
Ed Hunt, Clerk