

MINUTES OF THE WARRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 4, 2021 – 7:00 PM

Colchester Room, Salisbury Town Hall, 5 Beach Road

Present: Joan Moak, Chairman, Tom Treat, Angelica Medina, Tom Pease

Also present: Town Manager Neil Harrington

1. Call to Order

Chairman Moak called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

2. Public Hearing on Warrant Articles

After Chairman Moak opened the public hearing, Ms. Medina moved that, rather than reading each warrant article in its entirety, the Chairman summarize each article. Mr. Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously. Chairman Moak then began by summarizing the warrant articles for the Special Town Meeting. No one spoke for or against any of the 17 articles.

Ms. Medina moved to close the hearing. Mr. Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Chairman Moak stated he would next summarize the warrant articles for the Annual Town Meeting. Ms. Medina moved that Articles 20 and 21 be taken out of order, as they were citizens' petitions and there were people present who wished to speak. Mr. Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Chairman Moak summarized Article 20 as a proposed bylaw change to raise the minimum parking fine in town from \$25 to \$50. Karen Smith of 11th Street and Stephen Delaney, who identified himself as living at the corner of 10th Street and North End Boulevard, spoke in favor of the article. They claimed that several people park too close to the intersection of North End Boulevard and its side streets, making it difficult for residents to get in and out of the side streets, and a \$25 fine has not served as a deterrent in the past. They said raising the minimum fine to \$50 may help.

Chairman Moak then summarized Article 21 as a proposed bylaw to double parking fines on certain streets near Salisbury Beach between May 15 and Sept. 15 annually. Karen Smith and Larry Smith from 11th Street both spoke in favor of the warrant article.

Following further discussion of both Articles 20 and 21, Ms. Medina moved that the public hearing be closed. Mr. Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously. Chairman Moak then announced that votes would be taken on all warrant articles.

3. Vote Recommendations on Warrant Articles for Special and Annual Town Meeting
Special Town Meeting – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee vote upon all of the articles collectively. Mr. Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Ms. Medina then moved that the Committee voted to recommend approval of all of the articles for the Special Town Meeting. Mr. Pease seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Annual Town Meeting – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee deliberate on Articles 1 through 19 as a whole. Mr. Pease seconded the motion. Committee members spoke against this motion and it was defeated, 0-4.

Ms. Medina moved that the reading of all of the articles be waived. Tom Treat seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Article 3 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 4 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 5 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 6 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 7 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 8 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 9 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 10 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 11 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 12 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 13 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 14 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 15 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 16 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 17 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 18 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 19 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend adoption of the article; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 20 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend that the article not be adopted; seconded by Mr. Pease. The motion was approved unanimously.

Article 21 – Ms. Medina moved that the Committee recommend that the article not be adopted; seconded by Mr. Pease. In discussion, Chairman Moak stated that the wording of the article was too vague. Mr. Pease stated that the intent of the article was good, but that it needed further definition. The Committee then voted unanimously to recommend that the article not be adopted.

4. New Business – none

5. Adjournment

Ms. Medina then moved that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Mr. Pease. Chairman Moak adjourned the meeting at 8:47 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Neil J. Harrington, Town Manager