

**MINUTES
BOOTHBAY HARBOR
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
APRIL 13, 2015**

ATTENDING: William Hamblen, Vice Chairman
Russ Hoffman
Wendy Wolf

Thomas Woodin, Town Manager
Julia Latter, Finance Officer

Vice Chairman Hamblen called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

TOWN MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Manager Woodin stated that the next day the sewer project would take place on Oak Street between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. so traffic would be rerouted.
2. Manager Woodin stated over the next couple of days Chris Leman and he would be going to a supervisory leadership and public works program training in Gorham.
3. Manager Woodin announced the next Economic Development meeting was tentatively scheduled for May 6th at 5:00 p.m.
4. Vice Chairman Hamblen complemented Manager Woodin for providing a list of earlier workshops, also being held at 5:00 p.m. that were coming up:
 - 4/22 - Investment strategies for the town
 - 4/23 - Outsourcing General Assistance
5. Vice Chairman Hamblen reminded the general public that elections would take place at Town Hall on Friday, May 1st with the polls opening at 8:00 a.m. and that Town Meeting would be held on Saturday, May 2nd at 9:00 a.m. at the Elementary School.

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FINANCIALS:

Finance Officer Latter reviewed the financial totals with the Board, stating that the gap was closing in on budgeted revenue YTD.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Vice Chairman Hamblen stated the only item on the consent agenda was approval of the minutes from the March 23rd meeting. Selectman Wolf **motioned** to approve the consent agenda. Selectman Hoffman **seconded**. **Motion passed.**

ONGOING BUSINESS:

(None)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Vice Chairman Hamblen stated they had seven licenses for liquor renewals and seven licenses for special amusement renewals and suggested they take them separately (as two groups).

Selectman Hoffman **motioned** to approve all seven of the liquor license renewals for the Chowder House, Inc., the Blue Moon Café, the Opera House, the Rocktide Inn, the Thistle Inn, Mine Oyster and The Welch House Inn. Selectman Wolf **seconded**. [Manager Woodin confirmed none of these had received complaints due to their liquor licenses and Vice Chairman Hamblen noted, for the record, all applications had been initialed by the Police Chief.] **Unanimous approval.**

Vice Chairman Hamblen stated that Special Amusement permits came in four classes:

1. Class A: Unamplified vocal or instrumental music.
2. Class B: Entertainment other than music.
3. Class C: Amplified vocal or instrumental music.
4. Class D: Dancing.

Vice Chairman Hamblen then defined, for the record, the hours of operation as:

- a) Outdoor **amplified** entertainment shall not commence before 9:00 a.m. and must discontinue by 9:00 p.m.
- b) Outdoor **nonamplified** entertainment shall not commence before 9:00 a.m. and must discontinue by 10:00 p.m.
(and that)
- c) All entertainment cease by 1:00 a.m.

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Vice Chairman Hamblen clarified the license requests as following:

- Andrews Harborside, Inc. - Class A - Unamplified music
- The Chowder House, Inc. - Class C - Amplified music
- Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club - All four classes
- Spruce Point Inn - Class A + C - Unamplified and Amplified music
- Mine Oyster, LLC - All four classes
- The Whale's Tale - Class C - Amplified music
- Brown Brothers, Inc. - All four classes

Selectman Wolf **motioned** to approve all seven of the special amusement renewals. Selectman Hoffman **seconded**.

Discussion ensued about "special requests" being reviewed as they came up and the consensus of the Board was in agreement that this would be allowed within the ordinance approval.

The vote was a **Unanimous approval**.

2. Vice Chairman Hamblen stated he was delighted to report that they had four applications for Board memberships...two each for the Planning Board and the Board of Appeals which each had a first and second alternate position available.

Vice Chairman Hamblen recommended, due to the positions requested by the applicants, that Bob Hilscher and Ken Fitch be appointed to the Appeals Board and Margaret Perritt and Annette Stormont be recommended to the Planning Board.

Selectman Wolf **motioned** to approve Ken Fitch and Bob Hilscher to the Appeals Board. Selectman Hoffman **seconded**. **Unanimous approval**.

Selectman Wolf **motioned** to approve Margaret Perritt and Annette Stormont to the Planning Board. Selectman Hoffman **seconded**. **Unanimous approval**.

Vice Chairman Hamblen stated for the record that all of the Boards were now full although they still had two alternate vacancies on the Port Committee as well as two vacancies on the Budget Committee (who would not be meeting again until next January).

3. Vice Chairman Hamblen stated Chief Hasch has made a request for Devin Polizzotti to be appointed as a reserve officer on the police department.

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Selectman Wolf **motioned** to approve the appointment of the new reserve officer to the police department. Selectman Hoffman **seconded**. **Unanimous approval.**

4. Vice Chairman Hamblen stated they had had two Wharves and Weirs hearings that afternoon and would begin with the first that had taken place at 4:30 pm for Thomas and Patricia Minerich, Map 20, Lot 59, 51 Union Street.

Lauren Stockwell, of Stockwell Environmental Consulting, Inc., was present to represent Thomas and Patricia Minerich.

Vice Chairman Hamblen reported they had had the hearing with the Code Enforcement Officer, the Harbor Master, himself and the applicants who are proposing to construct a 12' x 6' pier, a 3' x 30' ramp and a 10'x16' float in the waters of Boothbay Harbor. Vice Chairman Hamblen stated the location was at the head of the harbor and north of the footbridge which presented some additional restrictions but that the application meets them. Vice Chairman Hamblen added it was established at the hearing there were adequate side line set backs to each of the abutters with consideration of the motion of the tides so saw no reason not to approve it.

Selectman Hoffman **motioned** to approve the Minerich Wharves and Weirs application. Selectmen Wolf **seconded**. **Unanimous approval.**

Vice Chairman Hamblen stated the second Wharves and Weirs application was from Johanna Crawford, Map 19, Lot 35, 46 West Street who is proposing to construct a 3' x 36' ramp leading to a 10' x 20 ' ramp in the waters of Mill Cove.

Lauren Stockwell, who was also representing Johanna Crawford, added that it would be headed up by a 4 ½' x 8' wooden pier sitting entirely on the shore plus a skid way for hauling stuff.

Vice Chairman Hamblen stated this was also fairly straight forward, with the nearest pier was fifty feet away with adequate site line setbacks and that there had been no objections from the Code Enforcement Officer or the Harbor Master.

Selectmen Wolf **motioned** to approve the Crawford Wharves and Weirs application. Selectmen Hoffman **seconded**. **Unanimous approval.**

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PUBLIC FORUM:

(None)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Vice Chairman Hamblen **motioned** to go into Executive Session under MRSA Title 1, Chapter 13, Subchapter 1, 405 (6) (A) – Personnel Matters at 7:21 p.m. Selectman Hoffman **seconded. Unanimous approval.**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

No votes or decisions were made during Executive Session.

WARRANTS:

Selectman Wolf **motioned** that the warrants be approved upon review. Selectman Hoffman **seconded. Unanimous approval.**

MOVE TO ADJOURN:

Selectman Wolf **motioned** to adjourn. Selectman Hoffman **seconded. Unanimous approval. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

