

Board of Selectmen Meeting

Library Meeting Room

March 26, 2019

Present: Chairman Gail Barmakian, Selectmen Jason Balboni, Gregory Coogan, Brian Packish, Michael Santoro. Also present: Town Administrator Robert L. Whritenour, Executive Assistant Alice Ryan Butler.

Meeting called to order at 4:35 p.m.

Request to have plaques removed from the Civil War Statue. NAACP.

Police Chief Erik Blake, President of the NAACP reported on a vote taken at a meeting of the NAACP requesting that the Town remove two plaques from the Civil War Soldiers Statue and donate them to the Museum as they are offensive and honor the Confederacy. Several people spoke both for and against removing the plaques. Suggestions were made to hold a Special Meeting just to discuss removing the plaques. Another suggestion was to put the question on a ballot, so that everyone could vote. The Selectmen agreed to continue the discussion until the April 23rd meeting.

Old/New Business

Public Hearing: Pursuant to MGL Chapter 138, Section 12 the Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 56R School Street regarding the Transfer of License from the Lampost, Inc. at 6 Circuit Avenue to Oyster Bar 02557, Inc. to change classification from General on Premise License to Restaurant License and to appoint Erica deForest as its manager. Upon approval the Lampost, Inc. will terminate and surrender its license for the second floor that is being converted to residential space. This application is on file in the Selectmen's office for review Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Selectmen Packish and Santoro recused themselves.

No one spoke in favor or opposition.

Selectman Coogan motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Chairman Barmakian. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Coogan motioned to transfer Lampost General on Premise License to Oyster Bar 02557 as a Restaurant License and to appoint Erica deForest as Manager, thereupon Lampost, Inc. will terminate and surrender its license for the second floor which will be converted to residential space, seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was unanimous.

Public Hearing: Pursuant to MGL Chapter 138, Section 12 the Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 56R School Street regarding Kelley Morris dba The Alley, a new Seasonal All Alcohol General on Premise license for 24 Kennebec Avenue and appoint Kelley Morris as Manager. This application is on file in the Selectmen's office for review Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Barmakian and Selectman Santoro recused themselves.

Attorney Doug Sederholm represented Attorney Miller for Kelley Morris.

A 19 seat bar, serving only snacks. No kitchen, no facility to serve meals.

Chef Ben deForest spoke in favor of granting a license.

Selectman Coogan motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve a Seasonal All Alcohol General on Premises license for Kelley Morris d/b/a The Alley, seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was unanimous.

Continued Public Hearing: Pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A, Section 11, the Board of Selectmen will continue a public hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 in the Library Meeting Room, 56R School Street to hear a request for a Special Permit for a Home Business. Creative Stone Works, Inc., 138 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, MA.

Selectman Packish recused himself.

In order to receive the Special Permit, Mr. Almeida will remove the 26,000 pound vehicle. Continue to foster a good relationship with his neighbor and put up a fence to shield his property from another neighbor.

Attorney Dan Larkosh who represented another neighbor, Stanley Brown said the Mr. Almeida had trimmed trees back, for easier access to his property but had unfortunately exposed his yard.

Selectman Coogan motioned to continue the Hearing to April 23, 2019, so the Selectmen could conduct a site visit, seconded by Selectman Santoro. Vote was unanimous.

Request for approval for the annual bicycle pledge ride – Ride the Vineyard on May 4, 2019. May 4, 2019. MV Boys & Girls Club. Stacy Smith

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve the annual bicycle pledge ride "Ride the Vineyard" on May 4, 2019, seconded by Selectman Packish. Vote was unanimous.

Request for approval for the 5K Road Race on Sunday, May 26, 2019 to benefit Hospice. Thomas J. Hallahan.

Selectman Balboni reminded the group to make sure there was not litter left behind, and to remove any signs.

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve the 5K Road Race on May 26, 2019 to benefit Hospice, seconded by Selectman Packish. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Barmakian left the meeting.

Request to surrender seasonal alcohol license for one year, but maintain the retail store. Beetlebung Group, LLC, Renee Molinari

Selectman Coogan motioned to accept the surrender of a Seasonal All Alcohol License for one year from Beetlebung Group, Inc. (due to illness) but maintain the retail store, seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was three in favor. Selectman Santoro abstained.

Request to have 6 vehicles declared "Surplus". Highway Department.

Selectman Balboni motioned to approve the six vehicles declared "Surplus", seconded by Selectman Packish. Vote was unanimous.

Request for a One Day Beer & Wine License. USA Endurance Events. (Marathon)

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve a One Day Beer and Wine permit for USA Endurance Events (Marathon) on May 18, 2019, seconded by Selectman Packish. Vote was unanimous.

Appointments

Request for re-appointment to the Board of Registrars. Margaret Stafursky

Selectman Balboni motioned to re-appoint Margaret Stafursky to the Board of Registrars, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Request for re-appointment to the Affordable Housing Committee.

Jim Bishop

Peter Bradford

Selectman Coogan motioned to re-appoint Jim Bishop and Peter Bradford to the Affordable Housing Committee, seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was unanimous.

Town Administrator's Report

- Financial Update
- Beach Nourishment – Federal Regulatory Update
- Bikeway Expansion – MA DOT visit
- Town Meeting Preparation
- Surplus Property Sale
(attached)

Selectmen's Update

Selectman Santoro announced that seasonal places are starting to open. Also he was pleased with the discussion with the NAACP regarding the Civil War Statue.

Selectman Packish said that school funding would be discussed at the All Island Selectmen's Meeting

The Master Plan is now at the Planning Board.

Selectman Packish noted that this is Selectman Tristan Israel of Tisbury last term as Selectman.

Adjourn

Selectman Coogan motioned to adjourn at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Selectman Balboni. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Executive Assistant