



## **Town of Swampscott Select Board Meeting Minutes**

February 16, 2022  
Virtual

### **SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Polly Titcomb (Chair), Neal Duffy, David Grishman, Don Hause

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Peter Spellios

### **OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENTS**

Sean Fitzgerald, Town Administrator; Allie Fiske, Director of Communications & Strategic Initiatives; Marzie Galazka, Director of Community & Economic Development; Patrick Luddy, Treasurer/Collector; Amy Sarro, Director of Administration & Finance

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

- COVID Update – Mask Mandate will be left on midnight February 20.
- Retirement Board Meeting – TA Fitzgerald asked that the Board reconsider their vote
- FY23 Budget
- Bond Rating Affirmed AA+
- Kings Beach Meeting
- Traffic / Pedestrian Safety
- Police Officer Selection Process
- Senior Center coffee hours to meet with residents – would like to work out a regular schedule 6 months in advance
- Announcement about Sue Duplin and Allie Fiske's resignation

## **CERTIFICATION FOR TAX-EXEPT FINANCING FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Treasurer/Collector Patrick Luddy attended to ask for a certification that is needed for upcoming bonding of construction costs for the new school. This is part of a standard certification process.

On **MOTION** (Grishman) and **SECONDED** (Duffy) it was **VOTED** to certify the property and easements to be acquired with the \$97,461,523 New Elementary School Bonds or any portion thereof, will not be leased, rented, managed or otherwise exclusively committed to a third party, or sold for so long as any bonds or notes are outstanding.

Select Board authorized use of electronic signature on the document.

## **FIRST READING OF LEASE AT 86 BURRILL ST.**

The Use and Occupancy Agreement for 86 Burrill St. expires in May of 2022. The current occupant Anchor Food Pantry would like to renew the agreement. The Town and Anchor Food Pantry have been in discussion and the only changes in the new lease is regarding utilities and snow removal. The Select Board recommended that information about trash and recycling services be included in the agreement. This will be reflected in the lease in the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

## **TREE TASK FORCE**

Jim Olivetti from the Swampscott Tree Task Force spoke about the work that the task force has performed. Mr. Olivetti stated that having the structure of a Town Committee will benefit the Task Force in recruiting members, ensuring continuity long-term, and having more credibility in the Town. He provided information about what the Talks Force does and their goals.

Director of Communications & Strategic Initiatives Allie Fiske will work with Jim and Verena to discuss the potential makeup of the board and come before the Select Board with details flushed out such as mission, number of members, and terms.

## **SELECT BOARD GOALS**

The Select Board reviewed the goals previously discussed at meetings and provided some more detail on their specific goals. Adding onto the list, member Don Hause expressed particular interest in Smart Control Development. Chairperson Polly Titcomb also discussed the importance of the board supporting measures to retain staff and continue to provide Town Hall services with limited staff which was supported by the other board members in attendance.

The board agreed upon the following group goals

1. Develop pedestrian safety
2. Filling Town Positions / Retention
3. Land Use Summit

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Vote to approve meeting minutes from February 2, 2022 meeting
- Vote to approve Common Victualler License for Popo's Hot Dogs –KellsKreme located at 168 Humphrey St. Swampscott, MA 01907
- Vote to amend Entertainment License hours for Paradiso Restaurant located at 15 Railroad Ave Swampscott, MA 01907 to 8AM-1AM.
- Vote to approve applications for Hawking & Peddling & Door to Door Solicitation for employees of Power Home Remodeling located at 201 Jones Road, Waltham, MA 02481
  - Brian Sierra
  - Eduard Juarbe
  - Jake Cahill
  - Jonathan Shionis

On **MOTION** (Grishman) and **SECONDED** (Hause) it was **VOTED** to approve the consent agenda.

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Member Don Hause would like to regulate/moderate hawking & peddling licenses. Director of Communications and Strategic Initiatives Allie Fiske noted that there are several applications that are approved that do not have regulations or guidelines and in general the Select Board may wish to develop these.

#### **SELECT BOARD TIME**

- Neal Duffy thanked Allie Fiske and Sue Duplin
- Neal Duffy brought to the Board's attention a "No Place for Hate" proclamation in Salem in the wake of anti-Semitic behavior and encouraged all board members and the community to sign it.
- Polly recapped a meeting she had with Marzie and MAPC regarding a land use summit

On **MOTION** (Grishman) and **SECONDED** (Duffy) it was **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

True Attest,




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Allie Fiske, Director of Communications & Strategic Initiatives

*Minutes approved by Select Board in vote at meeting on 3/2/22*