

**Board of Selectmen
Minutes of October 7, 2014
Bourne Community Building
Bourne, MA 02532**

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TA Guerino

Peter Meier, Chairman
Don Pickard, Vice-Chairman
Stephen Mealy, Clerk
Don Ellis (arrived at 5:48)
Linda Zuern

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Documents

- Special Town Meeting Warrant of 10/27/14 – 4 pages two-sided

Meeting Called to Order

Chm. Meier called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm.

Moment of Silence for our Troops/Salute the Flag

Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items

None requested.

Minutes 9/30/14

Pickard moved and seconded by Zuern to approve minutes of 9/30/14 as submitted. Vote 5-0.

Correspondence

TA Guerino said all LIUNA contracts will be coming in at the same time. Correspondence from Mr. Lee Berger was entered into the correspondence.

Kerry Horman Affordable Housing Specialist Housing Needs and Action Plan Revision B

Mr. Horman briefly explained the revised changes. More than 42% of all households in Bourne are living beyond their needs. This would make almost half of the households in Bourne would be eligible. The median household income has decreased and household incomes are back up; the Plan will address these issues.

Chm. Meier commented on the Acknowledgement page and clarified that his mother Ms. Marie Meier is an employee of the Clerk's Office and not Town Clerk.

Zuern commented on the flood insurance driving people out of town. She suggested when looking at housing, to look at other issues as well. Helping small businesses in town will help people to bring up their income.

Zuern also commented about high density and the issue with wastewater gallonage the town can allot. Mr. Horman said this is a goal that can probably not be met at this time.

Zuern said it upsets her when 50% or 80% come from outside of Bourne. Mr. Horman said there is a housing placement priority. Zuern commented on the conservation areas not being always connected. Mr. Horman said the whole idea of cluster development is to preserve these resources. Zuern was happy the mobile homes were included in the plan.

Chm. Meier suggested getting military housing included in the overall figure to help Bourne in getting their 10% quota.

Pickard moved and seconded by Mealy to support the Affordable Housing Specialist Housing Needs and Action Plan Revision as presented. Vote 5-0.

Election Workers – Anne Ford and Mary Fernandes

Pickard moved and seconded by Zuern to appoint Election Workers Ms. Anne Ford and Ms. Mary Fernandes as checkers for terms to expire 6/30/15. Vote 5-0.

Future of Buzzards Bay Park

TA Guerino said the Main Street Steering Committee (MSSC) has been working on a plan for the Buzzards Bay Park.

Ms. Moore, MSSC member, said with the Cape Cod Commission (CCC) reset team who had a landscape architect who worked on a conceptual landscaping of the park. Mr. Sala and the DPW plan to replace the gazebo roof. Mr. Jon Nelson is working on replacing some lights with Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds. A conceptual plan was taken into effect including the Scallop Festival before they moved to Falmouth.

Ms. Sallie Riggs briefly explained that last summer there was interest in doing something with the park. The questions like what is the cost, where would it come from and what the timeline would be are unknown at this time.

Chm. Meier said the park should be used as an attraction, money maker or attraction for the main street businesses. He would like to see results for next summer.

Ms. Moore suggested community input by a survey. Ideas of paved walkways, small walkway lights, a hardscape pocket park where playground with benches were discussed.

Ms. Riggs suggested the National Marine Life Center use a projector for movies with a grassy seating area.

Zuern suggested a canopy where people could have events if it rained or the weather was questionable.

Mr. Sala said there was only one issue of one deposit that hasn't been returned.

Ms. Marie Oliva echoed the park upgrades. The Chamber is the recipient of \$50,000 grant in Community Development. The Chamber would like to spearhead this project and start before fiscal year. She suggested timing could be used in conjunction with town funds.

Ms. Riggs said in addition to CPA funds, there are other grants to look at going forward.

TA Guerino said the Chamber helping the town with non-housing specific grants is a big deal.

Mr. Joseph Agrillo suggested contacting organizations such as the Lions or Rotary Club one weekend and make liable active time for residents.

Chm. Meier would like this to be a recurring agenda item.

Ms. Riggs said the Main Street Steering Committee would take on the survey project for getting the public involved.

Licenses/Appointments

a. NOI – MMA

TA Guerino explained that MMA wants to reuse dredged material on town property. The dredged material will be removed in association with a new pier and other waterfront facilities proposed on state property. The material will be utilized to enhance resource areas by reforesting the existing areas; nourishing existing beach areas and enhance the habitat value of the area.

Pickard moved and seconded by Mealy to endorse the Notice of Intent filing by Mass. Maritime Academy with the Conservation Commission as presented by the Conservation Agent. Vote 5-0.

b. Sign Change of Hours for Sunday Openings on Retail Package Stores

Pickard moved and seconded by Zuern to approve change of hours for Sunday openings on retail package stores for the Bourne Bridge Liquors at 310 Main Street; Liberty Warehouse at 21 St. Margarets Street; Luke's Liquors 'N More at 170 Clay Pond Road; One Stop Convenience Store at 227 Route 6A; and Ye Old Spirit Shoppe at 41 Meetinghouse Lane. Vote 5-0.

c. Road Name Approval – Paesano Way

TA Guerino clarified the sign has been up but not formally acknowledged by the board.

Mealy moved and seconded by Pickard to allow the formal recognition for the Town of Bourne road "Paesano Way" as presented. Vote 5-0.

Town Administrator's Report

Chm. Meier and TA Guerino met to discuss the commuter rail.

TA Guerino thanked Mary Jane Mastrangelo, Nancy Sundman, Atty. Bob Troy, Town Moderator Bob Parady and Superintendent Larmarche for their efforts for the School article.

Selectmen's Business

a. Selectmen's Comments

Zuern attended the Hydroid luncheon and ribbon cutting ceremony. She plans to join the Wareham Selectmen on the Veteran's Day parade. Chm. Meier will also attend.

Mealy said the Hydroid building is 80% energy efficient and the company is looking to hire more employees. He echoed the hard work Mary Jane Mastrangelo put forth for the articles for the Special Town Meeting. There will be a Fire Department Open House on Main Street on 10/18/14 from 12:00 -2:00 PM. Blood Drive will be held on 10/17/14 from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM at the Community Building.

b. Signing of Warrant for Special Town Meeting

Pickard moved and seconded by Zuern to sign the Warrant as presented for the Special Town Meeting to be held on 10/27/14. Vote 5-0.

c. Proposed bylaw discussion of non-residents serving on appointed committees

Ellis moved and seconded by Zuern to bring forward to the Bylaw Committee to come up with an article for a bylaw about non-residents serving on committees for the Town of Bourne.

Discussion

Zuern would like to see as a Selectmen Policy and not a bylaw.

Pickard suggested a written petition for Town Meeting brought forward by interested parties.

Mealy said the town asks individuals who have the best qualifications. He doesn't believe there has been an incident.

TA Guerino said there are a couple of groups that are appointees or representatives where memberships may include members from being non-residents. There will be ripples on how you make appointments and we will need to look at committees differently. There are less than five (5) of non-residents.

Ellis feels Bourne has more than enough ability to serve in this capacity and encourages anyone from the town to get onto these committees.

Mealy suggested postponing action until after town meeting to determine if there should be a change across the board. He agrees with Zuern says about a policy. He volunteered to do some research for the board and report back.

Mr. Mulvey doesn't believe a non-resident should have the right to vote on matters that don't affect their own financial responsibilities. Non residents are not allowed to vote at a town meeting, so why vote on town matters and committees? This policy, if adopted, would not deny committees. It would give the right to advise them but don't have to be a seated member of the committee. He believes a policy would be a better way to go but a long procedure.

Mr. Meier did not cast a vote – motion failed

d. Surplus Equipment – 1987 Pierce Arrow Fire Truck

Pickard moved and seconded by Mealy to deny the request of the Fire Chief for the 1987 Pierce Arrow Fire Truck and to instruct TA Guerino to bid appropriately. Vote 5-0.

Adjourn

Pickard moved and seconded by Zuern to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Vote 5-0.

Respectfully submitted – Lisa Groezinger, sec.