

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

January 18, 2011

Board met in session at 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Office at Abbot Hall.

Present (constituting a quorum):

James E. Nye, Chairman
Jackie Belf-Becker
Judith R. Jacobi
T. Michael Rockett

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from January 5, 2011. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Statement of Interest. Elbridge Gerry School.

Eurim Chun, 11 Maverick Street, School Committee Chair, appeared before the Selectmen seeking approval to allow the Superintendent to submit a Statement of Interest (SOI) form to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) as it relates to the Elbridge Gerry School, Elm Street. The Gerry School has significant facility needs and has been identified as a Category 4 school by the MSBA. Submitting this SOI on the Gerry will keep its status up to date so that it may be considered for work at a later date. Motion made and seconded that having convened in an open meeting on January 18, 2011, the Board of Selectmen of Marblehead, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest dated January 14, 2011 for the Elbridge Gerry School located at Elm Street which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority categories for which Marblehead may be invited to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future: Priority 1 – Replacement or renovation of a building which is structurally unsound or otherwise in a condition seriously jeopardizing the health and safety of school children, where no alternative exists; Priority 2 – Elimination of existing severe overcrowding; Priority 5 – Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility; Priority 7 – Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements; and hereby further specifically acknowledge that by submitting this Statement of Interest, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town of Marblehead to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. All in favor.

EMERGENCY DECLARATION. Snow Removal/Parking Regulations. Motion made and seconded to approve a declaration of emergency for purposes of snow removal and parking regulations from January 12, 2011 through January 25, 2011. All in favor.

ONE DAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE. Jack Tar. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Scott and Emily Brankman, Jack Tar American Tavern, 126 Washington Street, for a one day entertainment license for Tuesday, January 18, 2011, 7:35 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a disk jockey. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Abbot Hall. Marblehead School of Music. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Jennifer Spungin, Owner, to use Abbot Hall on Sunday, May 22, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. for their Spring Student Recital subject to the usual rules, regulations and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. All in favor.

REVOLVING FUNDS. Board of Health. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Wayne O. Attridge, Director of Public Health, to authorize a revolving fund dedicated to commercial waste disposal for Fiscal Year 2012. Expenditures from the fund by the Board of Health will be for the cost of solid waste disposal and receipts of the fund will include commercial disposal receipts. The cap of said revolving fund is not to exceed \$450,000. The said revolving fund is jointly supported by the Board of Health and Finance Committee in an effort to stabilize payment of disposal costs of the Town. All in favor.

REVOLVING FUNDS. Water and Sewer Commission. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from F. Carlton Siegel, Chairman, to reauthorize the Sump Pump Improvement Revolving Fund in the amount of \$25,000 for Fiscal Year 2012 for use by the Water and Sewer Commission; to be taken from revenues in connection with receipts collected from money received as a result of permitting fees; said fund to be expended for the aid in removal of sump pumps currently tied into the sewer system. All in favor.

REVOLVING FUNDS. Police Department. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Chief Robert O. Picariello to reauthorize the following funds for Fiscal Year 2012: The RAD Revolving fund for \$7,500; the revolving fund for the Animal Control/Police Department Fund at \$20,000; and the Animal Control Office Donation Fund as necessary; and, if it is necessary, to place articles in annual 2011 Town Meeting to continue these programs. All in favor.

BELLS. Washington's Birthday. Motion made and seconded that the bells of Abbot Hall and all the churches in Marblehead be rung on Washington's Birthday, Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at the usual holiday hours from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.; 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.; 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. as has been the custom in the past. All in favor.

SNOW REMOVAL. Motion made and seconded that the Board of Selectmen consistent with Chapter 44, Section 31D approve expenditures for snow and ice removal in excess of the available appropriation from Town Meeting for snow and ice in the amount of \$150,000. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. Letter of Interest. A letter of interest was received from Marblehead Chamber of Commerce as it relates to Marblehead Community Golf Day.

COMMUNITY GOLF DAY. Motion made and seconded to award the Marblehead Community Golf Day to the Community Counseling Center and to leave to their discretion to invite the Chamber of Commerce to be a participant. All in favor.

TAXES. A letter was read from Town Treasurer Patricia Kelly Murray as it relates to Third Quarter Real Estate Taxes being due on Tuesday, February 1, 2011. These bills may be paid on line through the Town's web site www.marblehead.org and clicking on On-Line Payments of Property Taxes.

ESSEX NORTH SHORE AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT. A letter was received from Daniel R. O'Connell, Superintendent-Director, as it relates to a vote taken by the Regional District School Committee which represents the District's approval of the amounts previously approved by each District at the time they each voted to join the District. The letter will be forward to Town Counsel for review.

William L. Woodfin joined the meeting at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded to go into Executive Session under G.L. c. 21(a)(6) for the purpose of discussing the value of real property and settlement negotiations and non-union contract negotiations where the public discussion of same may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. Votes may be taken, and if they are, votes will be released at a time deemed appropriate by counsel. The Board will not reconvene in open session. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mr. Woodfin, in favor; Mr. Rockett, in favor; Mr. Nye, in favor.

Adjourned to Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

Kyle Wiley
Administrative Aide