

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

May 25, 2011

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

Jackie Belf-Becker, Chair
Harry C. Christensen, Jr.
Judith R. Jacobi
Bret T. Murray
James E. Nye

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from May 11, 2011. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Staging. Orne Street. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Bob Hebert and Brian Courtney, Classis Construction Builders Inc., to place pump jack staging on the sidewalk at 14 Orne Street for 4 days starting June 1, 2011 subject to approval from the Marblehead Police and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. The staging poles must be removed from the sidewalk at the end of each day. All in favor.

RESERVE FUND TRANSFER. Veterans Benefits. Motion made and seconded to authorize David C. Rodgers to appear before the Finance Committee to request the transfer of the sum of seven hundred and thirty five dollars (\$735.00) from the Reserve Fund in accordance with chapter 40, section 6 of the Massachusetts General Laws for monthly Veterans Benefits. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Abbot Hall. Extended Hours. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Nina Cullen-Hamzeh, Marblehead Community Charter Public School, to extend the previously approved hours of usage for Abbot Hall on Friday, June 17, 2011 from 6:30 p.m – 9:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. and to allow permission to serve cookies and lemonade. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Horribles Parade. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Paul E. Jalbert, Gerry No. 5, to hold the annual Horribles Parade at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 4, 2011 with registration beginning at 8:00 a.m., rain date Saturday, July 9, 2011. Registration will be held in the former Osborne's parking lot on School Street. 4 voted in favor, Mr. Murray voted present.

APPOINTMENTS. Constables. Motion made and seconded to appoint the following individuals as Constables to serve civil process for the Town of Marblehead with a term to expire in May 2012 subject to receipt of the proper bond on file at the Town Clerk's office: David Andrew Deutsch, Nathaniel Greene, Paul Minsky, Thomas Egan, Richard Rockett, Peter Yasi and Donald Hurwitz. All in favor.

FORT SEWALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. Re-Appointment. Motion made and seconded to re-appoint Derek Norcross to the Fort Sewall Oversight Committee with a term to expire in May 2012. All in favor.

LICENSING. Second Hand Dealer. Motion made and seconded to approve the application from the following business for a Second Hand Dealers License subject to receipt of the required forms, fees and CORI approval: Step by Step Carpet Interiors, 56 Atlantic Avenue, Marblehead. Manager: Kathleen Sasso. All in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING. LICENSING. Wine and Malt Beverage License w/Cordials. Common Victualler License. Mia Lunt, 55 Hillside Road, Tewksbury, appeared before the Board seeking a Wine and Malt Beverage License w/ Cordials Permit as a Common Victualler License at 10 Bessom Street, Unit 9. After discussion motion made and seconded to approve the application from Mia Lunt for a Common Victualler License for Kitsen Table Inc., d/b/a Kitsen Table, at 10 Bessom Street, Unit 9. Hours of operation Monday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Sundays 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., seating capacity 24, subject to all fees paid and receipt of all required department sign offs. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to approve the application from Mia Lunt, Kitsen Table Inc., d/b/a Kitsen Table, 10 Bessom Street, Unit 9, for a Wine and Malt Beverage w/Cordials License, hours of operation Monday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Sundays 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., seating capacity 24, subject to approval from the ABCC, receipt of all applicable inspection sign offs and all fees paid. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Murray, in favor; Mr. Christensen, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mr. Nye, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

TOWN CLERK. Polling Locations. Robin Michaud, Town Clerk, appeared before the Board to discuss polling locations in Town. Due to a construction project, the Star of the Sea Community Center is not available for voting for the Special Election to be held on June 14, 2011. After discuss motion made and seconded to approve the following polling locations, in accordance with 950 C.M.R. § 51.00, for the Special Town Election on June 14, 2011 as follows:

Precinct 1 - Masonic Hall, 62 Pleasant Street
Precinct 2 - Masonic Hall, 62 Pleasant Street
Precinct 3 - Masonic Hall, 62 Pleasant Street
Precinct 4 – Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street
Precinct 5 – Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street
Precinct 6 – Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street
Precinct 7 – Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street
All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to reconsider the previous vote taken to change the polling locations for the Special Town Election. All in favor.

Discussion continued as it relates to the polling locations and the costs associated with notifying each precinct every time there is a change to a polling location. The Board discussed making the change to polling locations temporary, until further notice. Motion made and seconded to send out notice notifying residents that, until further notice, the following polling locations are approved for elections, in accordance with 950 C.M.R. § 51.00:

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Precint 7 – Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street
All in favor.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS. The Town Clerk reminded the Board that Absentee Ballots are available until 12:00 noon on Monday, June 13, 2011. Residents may obtain an absentee ballot for the following reasons; you will be out of Town, have a physical limitation, or religious beliefs that prevent you from voting on June 14, 2011.

VETERANS' AGENT. David C. Rodgers, Veterans' Agent, appeared before the Board to announce the Memorial Day Weekend schedule which is as follows: Saturday, May 28th 9:00 a.m. – Grave flagging at Waterside Cemetery, meet at the Bell Tower. Sunday, May 29th 1:00 p.m. Veterans service at Star of the Sea Cemetery, Monday, May 30th Memorial Day, 8:00 a.m. – Clark Landing Service, 9:00 a.m. main parade begins and continues to Waterside Cemetery. Honorary Grand Marshall, Joel Mitchell, Senior Chief USN, WWII, Korea; Principle Speaker at Memorial Park; Seth Moulton, USMC, Waterside Cemetery; Ronald Knight, USAF, Trolley service will be available from the VFW at 7:30am for all Veterans who may need assistance to participate in the activities. The VFW will be providing lunch after the ceremony. The public is invited and encouraged to attend all ceremonies. Motion made and seconded to as Chief Picariello to restrict parking around Memorial Park to allow public access to Memorial Park. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD HISTORICAL COMMISSION. Crossing of the Grand Banks, restored. Bill Conly, 19 Hewitt Street, appeared before the Board to present them with the newly restored painting "Crossing of the Grand Banks" and to advise the Board that the stain glass windows in the balcony will be reinstalled in early June. The Historic Commission wishes to thank the Shattuck Fund for generously funding both of these projects.

PERMISSION. Use of Abbot Hall. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Jessica D. H. Barnett, Rotary Club of Marblehead Harbor, to use Abbot Hall on Saturday, May 19, 2012 for the 5th Annual Star Spangled Pops Concert and on Thursday, May 17, 2012 5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. for a rehearsal, subject to the usual rules, regulations, fees and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 2043. Sunday Service. An invitation was received from Douglas B. Knowles, President, Local 2043, to the 2011 Marblehead Firefighters Sunday Service to be held at Waterside Cemetery on June 12, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. rain or shine, at the Firefighters plot. Breakfast will be served immediately following the service at the Gerry5.

MARBLEHEAD HISTORICAL COMMISSION. Applicant. Deadline for letters of interest. A letter of interest was received from Mike Weed, 53 Bennett Road, as it relates to serving on the Historical Commission. The Board of Selectmen will accept letters of interest to serve on the Historical Commission until July 1, 2011 at 12:00 noon. Applicants will be interviewed on July 13, 2011.

TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. Applicant. Appointment. A letter of interest was received from Helaine R. Hazlett, co-chair, requesting the Board appoint Michael Harper, a junior at MHS, to the Task Force against Discrimination for the coming year. Michael is the artist who designed and printed the new Task Force logo and presented it to the Board at a previous meeting. Motion made and seconded to appoint Michael Harper as a member of the Task Force against Discrimination with a term to expire in May 2012. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY ACCESS AND MEDIA. Proposed Legislation. A letter was received from Robert Peck, President, as it relates to seeking support from the Selectmen to send a letter opposing proposed legislation, Senate Bill 1687 An Act Promoting Consumer Choice and Competition for Cable Service. Mr. Peck notes that bill significantly limits the amount of time that a cable company, seeking a license to operate, is required to negotiate with the local municipality for the use of the public rights of ways. The shortened time period of 90 days proposed in the bill does not allow adequate time for local officials to determine the community needs. Motion made and seconded to send a letter from the Board of Selectman to Senator Thomas McGee in opposition to the proposed legislation. All in favor.

DISCLOSURE – Chapter 268A. Bret T. Murray read his disclosure statement that is required by Chapter 268A Section 23B3 of MA General Laws and has filed it with the Town Clerk.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide