

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

April 22, 2009

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

Present (constituting a quorum):

Jackie Belf-Becker, Chairman
Harry C. Christensen, Jr.
Judith R. Jacobi
James E. Nye

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from April 15, 2009. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Marblehead Sail and Power Squadron. Motion made and seconded to approve the request of Robert Hirschkron, Marblehead Sail & Power Squadron, to conduct a public presentation at State Street Landing on Saturday May 16, 2009 (rain date Sunday, May 17th) from 9:00am – 3:00pm in celebration of Safe Boating Week and Paddlesafe, subject to receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. MSPS members will be present to answer questions. A boat and information table will be set up with pertinent equipment and information. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Cycle for Life. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Catherine Squires to hold the 13th annual Cycle for Life event on Saturday, September 12, 2009 subject to approval from Recreation and Parks, Marblehead Police, receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and no permanent markings to be made on the streets. The race will begin and end at Devereux Beach at 9:00am and travel through Manchester by the Sea, Ipswich and Essex. Proceeds will benefit the Floating Children's Center at Tufts Medical Center. All in favor.

TAXES. A letter was read from Town Treasurer Patricia Kelly Murray as it relates to 4th Quarter Real Estate Taxes being due on Friday, May 1, 2009. 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.

MARBLEHEAD CONSERVANCY. Annual Preamblelation. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Robert French, Marblehead Conservancy, to hold the Annual Perambulation on Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 10am to noon. These walks are done annually with the intent of keeping the public aware of these old passageways that thread their ways through and around residential properties. This event is free and

open to the public. Interested persons should meet at Abbot Hall to arrange for either the downtown walk or the Marblehead Neck walk. Registration begins at 9:30am. All in favor.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION. Tree City USA/Growth Award. A letter was read from John Rosenow congratulating Marblehead on achieving Tree City USA status and Growth Award recognition for 2008. This is the tenth year Marblehead has received this national recognition.

GRASSE, FRANCE. Sister City Partnership. Myriam Zuber, 10 Village Street, Helaine Hazlett, 12 Clifton Avenue and John Whipple, 106 Atlantic Avenue appeared before the Board. Ms. Zuber was seeking permission from the Board to reactivate the partnership, established in 1986, with Grasse, France. Ms. Zuber recently returned from Grasse where she met with officials who expressed their support of this request. Motion made and seconded to appoint Myriam Zuber as Town Liason to our Sister City, Grasse, France. All in favor.

COMMUNITY DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT. Registration is now underway for the Community Golf Day, benefitting the Marblehead Counseling Center, to be held on Monday, May 11, 2009 at Tedesco Country Club. 12:30pm shotgun start. \$110 per player (includes green fees and carts). Registration taking place at Abbot Hall, Selectmen's Office, 188 Washington Street during regular business hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8:00 – 5:00pm, Wednesday, 7:30am – 7:30pm and Fridays 8:00am – 1:00pm. Cash or checks accepted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of determining the value of real property, 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: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mr. Christensen, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Kyle A. Wiley
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