

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

### **MINUTES**

**July 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  
William L. Woodfin, II

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

**MINUTES.** Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from July 14, 2009. 4 in favor, 1 voting present.

**LUPUS FUNDRAISER. Acorn Gallery.** Debra and Jack Highberger, 42 Birch Street, owners of Acorn Art Gallery, appeared before the Board to tell them about Jean-Marc Dykes of Marblehead, currently a student at the University of British Columbia and an instructor at Acorn Gallery. Jean-Marc is scheduled to complete a 4000 mile cross-country cycle for Lupus research this coming weekend at the Public Landing. Jean-Marc and the students of Acorn have raised over \$10,000 to benefit Brigham and Women's Lupus Research. For more information on JM's Lupus Ride go to [www.lupusride.com](http://www.lupusride.com). Motion made and seconded to send a letter of congratulations to Jean-Marc Dykes. All in favor.

**OLD BURIAL HILL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. Interviews.** The following five candidates were interviewed for a position on the Old Burial Hill Oversight Committee: Christopher Dowley, 68 Pond Street; Susan Hogan, 8 Peach Highlands; Richard Holbrook, 123 Front Street; Bette Hunt, 38 Orne Street and Pam Peterson, 21 Lincoln Park. Due to scheduling conflicts Zeke Peach was interviewed on July 14, 2009 and Emmy Hahn will be interviewed on August 12, 2009. The Board will vote to appoint the members to this committee after all interviews have been completed.

**PERMISSION. Marblehead Yacht Club.** Motion made and seconded to approve the request of Charles Mara, Commodore, Marblehead Yacht Club, to use a small portion of the parking lot, adjacent to the Marblehead Yacht Club and in front of the old Harbormaster's space to host a pre-race dinner on Friday, July 24, 2009 for the participants in the MYC sponsored Marblehead to Rockland, ME "Down East Challenge Race" subject to receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. All in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES.** Motion made and seconded on advice from Assistant Town Council Lisa Mead, after her review of our executive session minutes, the Board shall make public the following Board of Selectmen Executive Session minutes:  
Calendar year 2006: May 24. Calendar year 2007: July 25, August 22, September 10, October 10. Calendar year 2008: March 12, March 28. Calendar year 2009: January 14, January 22, February 11, March 11, April 22.

**PERMISSION. MHS All Sports Boosters Scholarship Drive.** Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Maura Forward, Chairman, for the MHS All Sports Boosters to conduct their annual door- to door canvas on Sunday, October 18, 2009. The drive will originate from the high school field house beginning at 12:00 noon and will finish at approximately 4:00pm. All in favor.

**TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.** A letter was read from Monica Tecca, committee member, inviting the community to attend their upcoming event “Weaving Stories of Marblehead” on August 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Marblehead, 28 Mugford Street.

**ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE. Zaika Restaurant.** A letter was read from Kathleen P. Dwyer, Maclean Holloway Doherty Ardoff & Morse, P.C., as it relates to the All Alcoholic Beverage License issued to Jhikka Inc. d/b/a Zaika. Jhikka Inc. filed a Petition under Chapter 7 on July 2, 2009 in the District of Massachusetts. Motion made and seconded to have Assistant Town Counsel send a letter to the Bankruptcy Trustee stating that the Town considers the All Alcoholic Beverage License to be the legal property of the Town of Marblehead. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to have Assistant Town Counsel send a letter to the Bankruptcy Trustee requesting he appear before the Board to discuss the legal status of the license. All in favor.

**TAXES.** A letter was read from Town Treasurer Patricia Kelly Murray as it relates to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Real Estate Taxes being due on Monday, August 3, 2009. These bills may be paid on line through the Town’s web site [www.marblehead.org](http://www.marblehead.org) and clicking on On-Line Payments of Property Taxes.

**OLD BURIAL HILL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. Withdrawal.** A letter was read from Judy Anderson requesting her application to serve on the committee be withdrawn from consideration.

**APPRECIATION. Arnould Gallery & Framing.** Motion made and seconded to send a letter of thanks to Gene Arnould for framing, at no cost to the Town, the art work of the new Task Force against Discrimination Logo “No Place for Hate”. The finished piece now hangs in the Selectmen’s Office at Abbot Hall. All in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Motion made and seconded to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing strategy as it relates to Collective Bargaining and contract negotiations, 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; Mr. Woodfin, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mr. Christensen, in favor; Mrs. Belf- Becker, in favor.

Adjourned to Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

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