

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES

March 22, 2006

Board met in Regular Session at 7:30 p.m. in its meeting room at Abbot Hall.

Present (constituting a quorum):

Judith R. Jacobi, Chairman
Harry C. Christensen
Jackie Belf-Becker
James E. Nye
Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of March 8, 2006. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of March 9, 2006. Three in favor. Mr. Christensen voted present.

POLICE DEPARTMENT. Police Chief James Carney was present in connection with a request received from the Commonwealth of MA Human Resources Division for the appointment of two full time Police Officers from the current Permanent Intermittent List.

Chief Carney also requested that the Board authorize a committee to study and research the implementation and use of digital photo enforcement systems in the Town of Marblehead. The committee to consist of Police Chief James Carney, Town Administrator Anthony M. Sasso and a selectman.

Motion made and seconded to approve the formation of the committee. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Streets. Jeff N. MacLean, Boston Location Manager for “The Way” Production Office, Toronto, ON was present to request permission to use various positions on State Street, Washington Street, streets behind Abbot Hall to water-front and the Ocean Avenue causeway on April 3 (rain date April 4) in connection with filming of Sony Picture’s television pilot for the CBS fall season titled “The Way”. Motion made and seconded to approve subject to police approval, receipt of the required insurance and donation to the Abbot Fund. All in favor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT. Carbon Monoxide Detector Law. Inspection Fee Changes. Appointments. Statewide Firefighter Exam Deadline. Fire Chief Barry Dixey was present with Fire Lt. Michael Porter to discuss requirements imposed under this new law signed by Governor Romney and known as “Nicole’s Law”. This law applies to all residential properties and the deadline for compliance with this law is March 31, 2006 (or in certain limited instances by January 1, 2007). For information on this law contact the Marblehead Fire Department at 631-0142 or visit the MA Department of Fire Services website at www.mass.gov/dfs. Consumer guides are also available for pick-up at the Selectmen’s Office in Abbot Hall.

Chief Dixey asked that the Selectmen vote to increase the fees currently charged for smoke detector inspections that will now include carbon monoxide detector inspections. He recommended the following increases:

- \$50. for a single-family dwelling or single-family unit. Motion made and seconded to approve the Chief's recommendation. All in favor.
- \$100 for a two-family dwelling. Motion made and seconded to approve the Chief's recommendation. All in favor.
- \$150 for any building or structure with six or fewer residential units. Motion made and seconded to approve the Chief's recommendation. All in favor.
- \$500 for any building or structure with more than six units. Motion made and seconded to approve the Chief's recommendation. All in favor.

Chief Dixey also announced the following:

- That Robert Better and Gregg McLaughlin have been appointed Permanent Full-Time Firefighters effective February 26, 2006; and
- That the statewide firefighter exam will be held on June 10. Applications for the exam may be obtained at the fire station or on the state website www.mass.gov/dfs. Deadline to apply is April 24, 2006.

LEAQUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. Chowder Dinner/40B Affordable Housing Forum. Zaxaro Bennett, Phyllis McCarthy and Deb Payson were present to invite the public to this event to be held in the Marblehead High School Cafeteria on Thursday, April 6. The event will include dinner and a discussion to follow on the topic of Affordable Housing pursuant to MA General Laws Chapter 40B Regional Planning. The panel of speakers will include State Representative Douglas Petersen, Attorney Jonathan D. Witten, Town Planner Rebecca Curran and Executive Director of the Housing and Planning Association Aaron Gornstein. Additionally, a person will be present to discuss an article proposed by Marblehead citizens concerning a proposed zoning change relevant to the Lead Mills location. Tickets to the dinner may be purchased in advance for \$15. at Chet's Video, Arnould's Gallery or that evening starting at 6:00 p.m. The panel discussion is free.

LICENSES. All Alcoholic Seasonal Clubs.

Motion made and seconded to renew the following license, subject to all taxes and fees to the Town being paid and receipt of proof of workers' compensation insurance, as applicable and receipt of satisfactory criminal history results:

Dolphin Yacht Club
17 Allerton Place
Manager: Robert M. Strasnick

On a polled vote the Selectmen voted as follows:

Mr. Nye: yes
Mr. Christensen: yes
Mrs. Belf-Becker: yes
Mrs. Jacobi: yes.

Motion made and seconded to renew the following license, subject to all taxes and fees to the Town being paid and receipt of proof of workers' compensation insurance, as applicable and receipt of satisfactory criminal history results:

Eastern Yacht Club
47 Foster Street
Manager: Jeffrey Wargo

On a polled vote the Selectmen voted as follows:

Mr. Nye: yes
Mr. Christensen: yes
Mrs. Belf-Becker: yes
Mrs. Jacobi: yes.

LICENSES. Entertainment Licenses.

Motion made and seconded to renew the following license, subject to all taxes and fees to the Town being paid and receipt of proof of workers' compensation insurance, as applicable:

Dolphin Yacht Club
17 Allerton Place
Manager: Robert M. Strasnick

All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to renew the following license, subject to all taxes and fees to the Town being paid and receipt of proof of workers' compensation insurance, as applicable:

Eastern Yacht Club
47 Foster Street
Manager: Jeffrey Wargo

All in favor.

PROCLAMATION. Holocaust Awareness. Request from The Holocaust Center Boston North Inc. to declare April 23-30 Holocaust Awareness Week. Motion made and seconded to approve the request. All in favor.

PROCLAMATION. Gerry #5. Request from Paul E. Jalbert, President of Gerry #5 Veteran Fireman Association, Inc. that the Selectmen issue a proclamation in recognition of the 50th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Gerry #5 and its contributions to the community over the past fifty years. Motion made and seconded to approve. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Spirit of '76 Image. Request from Diana Smeltzer, Rights and Permission Editor of A Beka Book, Inc. to reprint an image of Archibald Willard's painting in the second edition of a book "America, Land I Love". Motion made and seconded to approve. A copy of publication to be requested for incorporation into the library. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Banners and Sandwich Boards.

Motion made and seconded to approve the following requests to place banners subject to compliance the rules and regulations and receipt of the required insurance, as applicable:

Request from Don Morgan and Gene Jacobi, on behalf of the Farmers' Market to place a banner across Pleasant Street during the week of July 3 to advertise the market scheduled for every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. starting June 10 and running through October 21 behind the Veterans Middle School.

Request from Greg Triplett, President of the Marblehead Festival of Arts to place a banner across Pleasant Street during the week of June 26 to July 3 to advertise the festival during the July 4 weekend.

All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to approve the following requests to place sandwich boards subject to the rules and regulations:

Request from Susan Hauck, President of TeamUp Inc. of Marblehead to place boards during the week of March 27 to April 3 at Lafayette and Maple; Tedesco and Humphrey and Beach and Ocean to advertise the Codfish Ball and Artful Auction scheduled for April 1, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Tedesco Country Club to advertise the Codfish Ball and Artful Auction scheduled for April 1, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Tedesco Country Club;

Request from Maureen Ashley, member of the Trails Committee of Marblehead to place boards during the week of April 24 to May 1 at Lafayette and Humphrey; Pleasant and Essex, Tedesco and Humphrey and Atlantic and Seaview to advertise the Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. to noon at Robinson Farm;

Request from Greg Triplett, President of the Marblehead Festival of Arts to place boards during the week of June 19 – 26 at Lafayette and Maple; Lafayette and Humphrey; Pleasant and Essex and Tedesco and Humphrey to advertise the Culinary Arts and Champagne Reception scheduled for Sunday, June 25 at Ft. Sewall and during the week of June 26 to July 3 at the same locations to advertise the Festival during the July 4 weekend;.

Request from Don Morgan and Gene Jacobi, on behalf of the Farmers' Market to place boards during the Fridays and Saturdays of the weeks starting June 5 and ending October 16 at Lafayette and Maple; Lafayette and Humphrey; Pleasant and Essex; Tedesco and Humphrey; Beach and Ocean and Atlantic at Seaview to advertise the market scheduled for every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. starting June 10 and running through October 21 behind the Veterans Middle School; and

Request from Lindsay Diehl, Marblehead Arts Association, to place boards at the locations of Lafayette and Humphrey; Pleasant and Essex, Tedesco and Humphrey and Beach and Ocean during the following weeks: April 17 to advertise the Antiques Appraisal Day at Hooper Mansion on Saturday, April 22; May 1 to advertise a piano concert at Hooper Mansion on Saturday, May 6; and June 5 to advertise an Open Studio Tour on Saturday, June 10.

All in favor.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION and GIFT SHOP. Revolving Fund. Motion made and seconded to re-authorize \$13,000 for the revolving fund. All in favor.

TOWN CLERK. Notice of Temporary Schedule Change. Dog Licensing. Town Clerk Thomas A. McNulty advised that his office will not be processing any US Passport related paperwork from Monday March 27 through Friday April 7 to allow for dog licensing which commences on March 27.

BOARD OF HEALTH. Recycling Change. Plastic items numbered 1 through 7 will now be accepted at curbside on regular recycling days.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded to go into executive session to discuss collective bargaining, votes may be taken, and if they are, votes will be released at a time deemed appropriate by Counsel, not to resume in open session. On a polled vote as follows: Mr. Nye: in favor; Mr. Christensen: in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker: in favor; and Mrs. Jacobi: in favor.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. All in favor.

Ursula M. Kretschman
Administrative Aide