

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

March 11, 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
William L. Woodfin, II

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from February 25, 2009. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Junior Aid Walk/Run. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Amanda Velluto, Junior Aid Society, to hold a walk/run on Sunday, May 17, 2009 at 12:00 noon subject to receipt of the required certificate of insurance and approval from the Marblehead Police, Fire, Recreation and Parks Department and no permanent markings to be made. The walk/run will begin at Devereux Beach, proceed down Beach Street to Atlantic Avenue, down to Preston Beach and then back to Devereux Beach. All in favor.

PROCLAMATION. Holocaust Awareness Week. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Robert McAndrews, President of the Holocaust Center, Peabody, MA to proclaim the week of April 19 – April 25, 2009 "Holocaust Awareness Week" and to authorize the chairman to sign on behalf of the Board. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD FIREWORKS COMMITTEE. Alexander Falk, 9 Fox Run Lane, appeared before the Board to update them. Mr. Falk stated that the committee has raised approximately 75% of the funds needed and that the Town will definitely be having the annual Fireworks display on July 4, 2009. Mrs. Jacobi informed the Board and Mr. Falk that the 350th Committee, in honor of the Town's 360th anniversary, unanimously approved the use of \$10,000 from the donation account to be used this year for the 4th of July celebration, rain date will be July 5, 2009.

Motion made and seconded to appoint Alexander Falk Chairman of the Marblehead Fireworks Committee with a term to expire in May 2009. All in favor.

PROCLAMATION. Silver Star Banner Day. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Nancy Spoerke, member of Silver Stars Families of America to proclaim May 1, 2009 as “SILVER STAR BANNER DAY.” All in favor.

PERMISSION. Bike Ride. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Jackie Herskovitz to host the 5th annual Pan-Massachusetts Challenge Kids Ride in Marblehead on Sunday, May 31, 2009 from 9:00am to 12:00 noon subject to approval from the Marblehead Police and Fire Departments, receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and no permanent markings to be made on the streets. The ride will begin and end at the Eveleth School on Brood Road and will travel along Brook, Leicester, Trager, Glendale and Auburndale Roads. All in favor.

PERMISSION. One Day Liquor License. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Jean Guastaferrri, Marblehead Festival of Arts, for a One Day Liquor License on April 4, 2009 from 5:00pm – 10:00pm for the Festival’s Art Auction at Abbot Hall subject to receipt of the required fee (\$50.00). On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Woodfin, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mr. Christensen, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker in favor.

LICENSING. Second Hand Dealer. Motion 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:

Madam Had’em
160 Washington Street
Marblehead, MA 01945
Cheryl McGuire
All in favor.

LICENSING. All Alcoholic Beverage. Kulwant Jikhha appeared before the Board as it relates to his All Alcoholic Beverage License at 161 Pleasant Street. The restaurant is currently closed and Mr. Kulwant is actively pursuing a buyer for his business. Motion made and seconded to hold in abeyance the revocation of the All Alcoholic Beverage License for 60 days and to have Mr. Kulwant report back to the Board on May 13, 2009. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Parade. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Fred Forsgard, Marblehead Youth Baseball, to hold their annual Little League parade on Sunday, April 26, 2009 starting at 12:00 noon subject to approval from the Marblehead Police and Fire Departments and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. The parade route will start behind the Veteran’s Middle School, take a right on Pleasant Street, bear right at Tent’s Corner onto Lafayette Street and then on to Gatchell’s Park for Opening Day ceremonies. All in favor.

MAIL. A letter was read from the Marblehead Republican Town Committee asking the Selectmen to oppose Governor Deval Patrick’s plan to allow cities and towns to impose an additional tax on local restaurants and hotels. Motion made and seconded to send a

letter reiterating the Boards previous position to oppose the proposed 1% meals tax to the Marblehead Republican Town Committee and the Chamber of Commerce. All in favor.

COMMON VICTUALLER LICENSE. Regis Deli. Regis Gravlin and Ehab Sadeek appeared before the Board as it relates to a request for a Common Victualler License at 252 Humphrey Street. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Elesraa Inc. d/b/a as Regis Deli, 252 Humphrey Street for a Common Victualler License subject to receipt of the required fees, forms and department sign offs. Hours of operation will be Sunday through Saturday 6:00am – 9:00pm. All in favor.

CONGRATULATIONS. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of congratulations to Rich Wilson on becoming the second American ever to complete the grueling race called the Vendee Globe, a non-stop around the world race. Mr. Wilson finished in the top 10. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD DISABILITIES COMMISSION. Appointment. Motion made and seconded to appoint Fraffie Welch to the Marblehead Disabilities Commission with a term to expire in May 2009. All in favor. The Board further invited Fraffie Welch, at her convenience, to come to a future meeting of the Selectmen to introduce her to the Town.

MAIL. The Board read a letter from the Gerry #5 inviting them to their Annual Banquet on Saturday, March 28, 2009. This year's banquet will honor former manager Joan Champlin, who recently retired after over 40 years of association with the organization. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of appreciation to Ms. Champlin to be read at the Gerry #5 Annual Banquet. All in favor.

CABLE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. Reconsider. Motion made and seconded to reconsider the vote taken at the February 25, 2009 Selectmen's meeting to approve the Bylaws of the Marblehead Community Access and Media, Inc. as presented. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to refer the proposed Bylaws to Assistant Town Counsel for further review. All in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing strategy and contract negotiations, 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, the Board voted as follows: Mr. Woodfin: in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker: in favor, Mr. Christensen; in favor.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide