

BOARD OF SELECTMENS

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Swampscott, MA 01907

Called to Order: Attendance:

Chairman, Naomi Dreeben, Vice Chair, Laura Spathanas, Selectman Don Hause, Patrick Jones, Peter Spellios, and Thomas G. Younger, Town Administrator.

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spellios to re-appoint Selectman Dreeben to the Chairperson to the Board of Selectman, seconded by Selectman Hause.

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spellios to re-appoint Selectman Spellios to Vice Chair to the Board of Selectman, seconded by Selectman Jones.

Resident Comment:

Bill Dimento spoke on the illegal parking on Monument Avenue and around the area of Linscott Park when there is no parking allowed. Mr. Dimento has contacted the Police Department with a not so good reception for his call from the Police Department. Mr. Dimento is requesting the Board take immediate action on this subject.

Municipal Design Presentation / Beach Entrances

Members of the Municipal Design Committee presented to the Board their plans for the installation of signage, beach access road to Fisherman's Beach, Engraved mile marks, The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spellios to open the Public

Open Discussion: Machon School / B'Nai B'rith

Discussion of a new law firm to be used for negotiations with B'Nai B'rith which will include the Town's current Law firm of Kopelman & Paige. A RFQ will be issued and a subcommittee will be formed.

Votes of the Board:

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Jones to approve the request from the Swampscott Education Foundation for the installation of lawn signs throughout the Town at each of the five schools in Town as well as at Blocksidge Field, seconded by Selectman Spathanas.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to approve the Farmers Market Lawn Signs & banners to be placed throughout Town including Abbott Park, Lower Jackson Park and Phillips Park, seconded by Selectman Jones.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas approved the meeting minutes from March 9, 2016 and May 4, 2016, seconded by Selectman Spellios.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Hause to approve an Entertainment License for Mission on the Bay for jazz music, back round music, light entertainment only and no music on the first floor, seconded by Selectman Jones.

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Jones to approve the following recommendations from the Traffic Study Committee, no parking sign in front of 21 Ryan Place, installation of a crosswalk on Columbia street at Maple Avenue and for the donation from “ For the love of Swampscott “ seconded by Selectman Spathanas. The Board tabled a recommendation of a removal of a Landscape Island on Walnut Road until more information is received regarding who requested the removal and if abutters were notified.

New & Old Business:

The Board discussed the following:

- *New liaison to the Board & Commission's.*
- *Board and Committee appointment and re-appointments*
- *Selectman Spellios spoke on the future of working meetings, Town Meeting issues regarding information possibly crossing the line with handouts.*
- *Summer meeting schedules*
- *Beach Fires.*
- *Appointment procedures to all Chairman of Boards and Committee –Town Clerk to do.*

Town Administrator's Report:

Thomas G. Younger, Town Administrator spoke on the following items:

- *Implementing new budget system / Tyler System / only the Town side.*
- *Assessors overlay account.*
- *Public Library story watch program/ very nice activity.*
- *Police Departments drop off drug event.*
- *\$812K still in outstanding / tax titles.*
- *Explanation of tax titles were given.*

Adjournment:

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spellios to adjourn meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss the Greenwood Avenue property & litigation, seconded by Selectman Hause, the Board will not re-enter regular session.

By Attest:

*Maureen Shultz,
Board of Selectman*