

Town of Nahant, MA  
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes  
20 November 2014 7:30

Present:

Perry Barrasso, Chairman  
Michael P. Manning, Vice Chairman  
Richard J. Lombard, Secretary  
Mark Cullinan, Interim Town Administrator  
Charles H. Riley, Town Counsel

**Also Present:** Lori Ballentine “01908”, Deborah Waters, Town Accountant, Matt Hunt, Clifton Larson Allen, LLP, Advisory and Finance Committee members: Brendan Ward, Perry Manadee, John Fulghum, and Kathy Marden

**Meeting Opened** at 7:30 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Lead by Mr. Barrasso

Mr. Barrasso welcomed all to the meeting.

**Opening Remarks:** Mr. Lombard thanked Sherriff Frank Cousins for providing a team to plant the dune grass at Short Beach and asked Mr. Cullinan to send a thank you note. Mr. Manning applauded the American Legion for their Veterans Day activities consisting of a dinner honoring Vietnam veterans at the Nahant Life Saving Station and Veterans Day ceremonies which were well attended. Mr. Manning announced that events like the Christmas tree lighting at Town Hall on December 6, sponsored by “01908” and residents fosters community spirit. Mr. Lombard thanked the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students of the Johnson School for their Veterans Day exercise and lunch. Mr. Barrasso also thanked Sherriff Cousins and the Johnson School.

**Citizens Forums:** Lori Ballantine announced the tree lighting on Saturday, December 6 at Town Hall.

**Approval of November 6, 2014 minutes:** Mr. Manning made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to approve minutes.

**Town Administrator Report**

**Exit Interview CliftonLarsonAllen LLP:** Mr. Cullinan introduced Matt Hunt who reviewed FY 14 audit results. Mr. Hunt stated that Sullivan & Rogers has completed the audit for the Town of Nahant and gave a basic overview on the audit and management letter. Mr. Hunt stated that the financials had no material misstatements.

**Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee Appointments:** Mr. Cullinan stated he was contacted by the following residents who wanted to serve on this committee. Shannon Bianchi, Vova Aleksanyan, Heather Goodwin, Rich Kisiel, Sara Mellen. Mr. Barrasso read a letter from Town Moderator David Conlin recommending the appointment. Mr. Manning made a motion to have Mr. Cullinan appoint and prepare appointment letters for the named individuals. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

**Result of Police Exam and Appointment of John Hogan as a full-time permanent Nahant Police Officer:** Mr. Cullinan stated that police exam took place on November 8, 2014. David Driscoll, Walter Patterson, and John Hogan passed and are the only three who graduated from a full-time Massachusetts Police Academy. Chief Dwyer requested with confidence that John Hogan be appointed as a full-time permanent Nahant Police officer. Mr. Manning made a motion to approve Mr. Cullinan's appointment of John Hogan. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

**DOR Technical Assistance Audit:** Mr. Cullinan spoke to DOR local services division about an audit as requested by the Finance and Advisory Committee. He feels it is a good idea. The DOR requires a unanimous vote from the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Cullinan asked the Board to consider entering into an agreement with DOR local services division to audit our policies and structure. Mr. Manning made a motion to request Mr. Cullinan to draft a letter to DOR requesting an audit and bring it to next meeting for Board's unanimous vote. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

## **Town Counsel Report**

### **Used Car Dealer License:**

Mr. Riley stated that the used car dealer license application of Paul Swerling is in violation of zoning bylaws in all six zones. Bylaws were written before the internet. Mr. Manning made a motion to approve the request of Paul Swerling of 27B Seabreeze Lane for an internet only used car dealer license. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

### **25 Furbush Road**

Mr. Riley notified Susan Burke, the representative of the estate of Avis Haynes, by certified letter asking her plans for the property. Mr. Manning made a motion to have Mr. Riley get confirmation that Susan Burke is the representative of the estate. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

## **New Business**

### **Approve Annual Liquor Licenses to be sent to ABCC**

Mr. Lombard read the following applicants for 2015 liquor licenses

Nahant Country Club, 280 Nahant Road, Peter Dawson, Manager; Club License - All Alcoholic Beverages; Nahant Knights of Columbus Building Association, 17 Relay Yard, James Konowitz, Manager; Club - All Alcoholic Beverages; Goodell's, Inc., D/B/A Bayside Restaurant, 1 Southwick Avenue, Dana Goodell, Manager; Restaurant - All Alcoholic Beverages; Atlantic Functions, Inc., D/B/A Oceanview, 0 Willow Road, Michael Gallant, Manager; Restaurant - All

Alcoholic Beverages; Seaside Variety Partners, 141 Nahant Road, George Mastoras, Manager; Package Store – Wine & Malt; Tides at Nahant, Inc., 2B Wilson Road, Michael O’Callaghan, Manager; Restaurant – All Alcoholic Beverages; Kelley Greens at Nahant, Inc., One Willow Road, Lisa A. Deveney; Restaurant – All Alcoholic Beverages.

Mr. Lombard made a motion to approve the 2015 licenses. Mr. Manning seconded the motion for discussion that license approval is conditional on ABCC approval and inspections. Unanimous vote in favor.

**Reschedule BOS meeting from December 4, 2014 to December 11, 2014**

Because of a scheduling conflict with Mr. Cullinan, Mr. Barrasso requested that next BOS meeting be moved to December 11. Mr. Lombard made a motion to move the meeting. Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

**Appoint Members to Harbor and Marine Advisory Committee**

Mr. Manning made a motion to have Mr. Cullinan appoint James Hosker, Joe Desmond, Neil Sullivan, Joel Marie, and Michael Manning for one year appointments until the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion but requested that Mark Irvine be appointed as alternate. Unanimous vote in favor.

**Pram Removal at Wharf**

Mr. Manning requested that prams be removed from the wharf by December 15 to prevent damage to boats stored there during storms.

**Closing Announcements:**

Christmas tree lighting December 6 at Town Hall

**Adjourned** at 08:35. On a motion by Mr. Lombard seconded by Mr. Manning, it was a Unanimous Vote in Favor to adjourn.

The minutes were prepared by Mary Ellen Schumann, Administrative Assistant.

The minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.

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