Town of Nahant, MA
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes
18 December 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: Calantha Sears, Nahant Historical Commission

Meeting Opened at 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Mr. Barrasso

Mr. Barrasso welcomed all to the meeting.

Opening Remarks: Mr. Manning wished all citizens a Happy Hanukah, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Approval of November 20, 2014 and December 11, 2014 minutes: Mr. Lombard made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to approve minutes.

Citizens Forum: None

Town Administrator Report

Approval of 2015 Liquor Licenses: Mr. Lombard made a motion to approve the licenses for the following establishments upon payment of any funds owed the Town and approval of ABCC: Nahant Country Club, Nahant Knights of Columbus Building Association Inc, Goodell’s Inc, d/b/a/ Bayside Restaurant, Functions, Inc., d/b/a Oceanview, R & C Convenience Store, Inc., d/b/a Seaside Variety, Tides at Nahant, Inc. and Kelley Greens at Nahant Inc. Seconded by Mr. Manning. Unanimous Vote in Favor.

Approval of 2015 Common Victualler Licenses: Mr. Manning made a motion to approve licenses for the following establishments: Functions, d/b/a Oceanview, Tides, Nahant Country Club, Goodell’s Inc., d/b/a The Bayside, Nahant Knights of Columbus Building Assoc, d/b/a Nahant Knights of Columbus, Seaside Pizza, Dunkin’ Donuts Café, and Kelley Greens. Seconded by Mr. Lombard. Unanimous Vote in Favor.
Entertainment Licenses 2015: Mr. Lombard made a motion to approve the licenses for the following establishments: Nahant Knights of Columbus, Nahant Country Club, Functions, Inc., d/b/a Oceanview, Goodell’s, Inc., d/b/a The Bayside, Tides at Nahant, Inc. and Kelley Greens at Nahant, Inc. Seconded by Mr. Manning. Unanimous Vote in Favor.

Used Car Dealer Licenses 2015: Mr. Manning made a motion to approve used car licenses subject to meeting requirements of MGL C.140, 57 - 69. Enzo’s Nahant Garag, 21 Spring Rd and Seaside Auto, 5 Linda Lane described as a business to be conducted entirely over the phone and by computer. Seconded by Mr. Lombard. Unanimous Vote in Favor.

Draft FY16 Budget: Mr. Cullinan took the agenda out of order and summarized the FY16 Budget. He asked the Board to review and discuss with him any questions they may have before the January 8th detailed budget review meeting. He reviewed free cash usage (freecashavailablefdusage) Projected Revenue (Fy16revmc) – all increased 2.5% except excise, real estate taxes and military housing which are budgeted closer to actual. Appropriation (FY16aap3) highlights include a 3% overall salary increase, new town administrator salary increase, $120 a day stipend for inspectional services and veteran’s agent when attending training, a police department vehicle, a new DPW superintendent salary and increase in Veteran’s Agent salary. No school budget yet. Mr. Manning made a motion to have Mr. Cullinan deliver this budget to Finance and Advisory Committee and Town Accountant. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous Vote in Favor.

Draft FY16 Warrant: Mr. Cullinan reviewed new warrant articles. Article 10 requests an appropriation of $50,000 for engineering services. Article 11 rescinds Article 14 from FY15 town meeting. Article 18 requests $10,000 to finish compost cleanup. Article 19 requests $106,666 for the purchase of a new dump truck. Article 20 requests $38,500 for new gas pumps. Article 21 requests acceptance of MWRA 0% $134,000 loan funds. Article 22 requests $120,000 for emergency repairs to water and and sewer systems water and Sewer Emergency funds.

Article 23 – Community Preservation:
   A. $30,000 Engineering Services to evaluate replacing boat slip and seawall at Wharf
   B. $15,000 for 20% match on grant for COA van
   C. $10,000 for architectural study of Nahant Fire Department. $16,500 for Cemetery software
   D. $8,000 for flag pole restoration at Town Hall

Mr. Lombard expressed concern about Public Works building and need for repair. Mr. Cullinan will follow-up.

Mr. Lombard made a motion to have the letter to DOR Local Services requesting audit services sent and copied to the Finance and Advisory Committee. Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

Appointment of Tom Famulari and Marc Schepens to Nahant Historical Commission: Mr. Cullinan recommended both candidates. Mrs. Calantha Sears also recommended the candidates. Mr. Manning thanked the Commission. Mr. Lombard made a motion to approve the appointment and Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.
Stipends for Veterans Agent and Inspectors:  Mr. Cullinan recommended a $120.00 daily stipend for inspectors and veterans agent when attending required recertification training.

Town Counsel Report:  Mr. Riley read email sent to Safeguard properties, caretakers for Bank of America properties re: 57 Breezy Hill Terrace asking for maintenance on the property. He will follow-up this week. Executrix for 25 Furbush has listed it for sale with Nahant Associates. Valley Road property was cited but Mr. Riley will follow up. Mr. Lombard asked to put abandoned properties follow-up on January’s agenda.

New Business
Extension of hours for New Year’s Eve for Knights of Columbus and Tides
Mr. Lombard made a motion to extend hours. Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

Closing Announcements:
Mr. Barrasso announced the following:
Santa Parade:  Saturday, December 20, 2014 6:00 pm
Council on Aging will be adding a community calendar to their monthly newsletter. Contact lpeterson@nahant.org by the 15th of each month.
Swim Adopt a Beach Program:  Thank you to Vi Patek, President of SWIM and her volunteers for cleaning the beaches.
Mr. Manning announced the Childrens’ Christmas party at the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, December 20 at 1:00 pm.

Mr. Lombard made a motion to move to executive session. Mr. Manning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to move to executive session at 8:22 pm.
The minutes were prepared by Mary Ellen Schumann, Administrative Assistant.

The minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 8th day of January, 2015.

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