

**Town of Nahant, MA
Board of Selectmen**

**Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2017 7:30pm**

**Richard J. Lombard, Chairman
Frank Barile, Vice Chairman
Chesley R. Taylor Jr., Secretary
Jeff Chelgren, Town Administrator**

1. Meeting Opening 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Mr. Lombard.

- a. **Opening Comments:** Mr. Barile thanked Nahant Preservation Trust for purchase of 25 Furbush Rd. It will remain open space. Mr. Lombard thanked Mr. Barile and his FEMA flood committee. Mr. Barile stated that Marcia Divoll has been appointed to FEMA committee and will be a great asset.
- b. **Approve Prior Minutes** of 1/19/17, 1/19/17 ES, and 1/25/17 BOS & Fire Station Arch. Assessment Committee: Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Barile seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to approve the minutes.

2. Ongoing Business

- a. **Citizen's Forum:** Mr. Shannon Bianchi 14 Harborview Road objected to the Open Space Master Plan Committee and other adhoc committees.

3. Town Administrator Report

- a. Fire Department
 - i. **EMS Billing Rates; ii. Write-off Policy:** Chief Feinberg presented his new revised billing policy. Mr. Lombard wants to see forms for abatement and will revisit the policy at the next meeting.
 - ii. **Ambulance Enterprise:** Mr. Barile made a motion to approve establishing an ambulance enterprise fund. Mr. Taylor seconded for discussion. Mr. Carangelo, 81 Willow Rd, FinCom member wanted more detail on what was included in the fund. Mr. Ward, 24 Little Nahant Rd., FinCom member asked that vote be postponed until FinCom can review the details. Mr. Barile rescinded his motion. Mr. Lombard commended Firefighter Papallardo for two grants he had written.
 - iii. **Ocean Rescue boat – FY2018 budget:** Chief Feinberg presented quotes for new harbormaster boats per the Board's request. Board had voted to suspend ocean rescue for the winter. Mr. Taylor made a motion to not include the new boat on the warrant. Mr. Barile seconded the motion for discussion. Discussion of ocean rescues. Mr. Steriti, 61 Spring Road, call firefighter and ocean rescue member, stated that the Board was undermining the staff saying they weren't trained. They are well trained. The Fire Chief should be in charge. Mr. Tibbo, 78 Fox Hill Rd. harbormaster, call firefighter, and ocean rescue member is insulted that the Board says they are not equipped. They are indeed equipped. Mr. Liscio, 15 Fox Hill Rd., call firefighter and ocean rescue founding member stated ocean rescue members are volunteers and do not get an ocean rescue

stipend as do staff firefighters. Mr. Ward, FinCom, wanted clarification that they do get call firefighter rate but not ocean rescue stipend. They do get call rate only. Mr.

Lombard called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous vote to not put boat on the warrant.

b. **FY2018 Budget Review (continued):** Mr. Chelgren presented the budget. Mr. Barile wants detail of water/sewer borrowing and long range plan for water and sewer infrastructure before voting on the budget. Mr. Chelgren will provide. Mr. Barile asked that he also follow-up on Shade Tree Trust, of which Nahant is a member. Mr. Barile stated the town is losing 40,000 gallons of water a day. Mr. Chelgren stated it is was a long running problem. Mr. Ball, DPW superintendent, said there was a leak detection survey in progress and he was addressing the situation. Discussion of pumps and drainage.

c. **Annual Town Meeting Warrant** – Article review and vote to set warrant (send to Fin. Com.)

Mr. Chelgren presented potential new articles

a) **Engineering Costs** – Mr. Taylor made a motion that this article not be included on the warrant. Mr. Barile seconded the motion. Unanimous vote not to include on warrant.

b) **Coast Guard Housing** – is on as a placeholder.

c) **Willow Road Extension** – Mr. Taylor made a motion to not include this article on the warrant. Mr. Barile seconded the motion. Vote called. Mr. Barile Yes – not include. Mr. Taylor – yes not include. Mr. Lombard no opposed to the motion. Motion to not include passes 2-1.

d) **Short Beach Master Plan** – defer to next meeting.

e) **East Point/Lodge Park Split Rail Fence** – Mr. Taylor made a motion to not put it on the warrant. Mr. Barile seconded for discussion. Mr. Ward suggested that CPA funds be used. Mr. Chelgren will follow up.

f) **Bay View Street** – will be a citizen's petition

g) **Cemetery Expansion** – Cemetery Committee wrote that this is not needed. Mr. Barile stated David Wilson estimates there is 15 years before expansion necessary.

Mr. Chelgren will modify the warrant and give to the Board.

d. **Classification Study** – vote to place on Town Meeting warrant. Mr. Chelgren said the only change was an increase in DPW labor to give a raise for summer workers. Mr. Barile wants to insure that the classification study from last year not be placed on the warrant. Mr. Barile made a motion to accept the classification plan as presented and place it on the warrant. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to place on the warrant.

e. **Re-authorization of Revolving Funds** – Mr. Barile made a motion that the Board of Selectmen vote to place the following revolving funds on the Annual Town Meeting warrant:

1. Cemetery, 2. Council on Aging, 3. School Student Activity, and 4. Recreation;

And further, to amend the authorization on the OA revolving fund from a “not to exceed \$7,000” to a “not to exceed \$10,000” for activities for the seniors pursuant to MGL. Chapter 44, section 53E – and the Cemetery revolving fund from a “not to exceed \$12,000” to a “not to exceed \$20,000” for maintenance, operation and capital improvements of the Greenlawn Cemetery pursuant to MGL. Chapter 44, section 53E1/2. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor.

f. **Town Nurse – Confirmation of hire** – Mr. Taylor made a motion to appoint Dena Kivett as public health nurse. Mr. Barile seconded for discussion. He asked if there were other candidates. No. Unanimous vote to appoint Dena Kivett.

g. **Quarterly Financial Report** – Mr. Chelgren presented the report.

h. **Approve Nahant Library “Science Tellers” 2/22/17 10:00 AM Town Hall** – Mr. Barile made a motion to approve the event. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to approve.

i. **Approve Small Wedding Ceremony Lodge Park – 6/3/17 5:00 – 5:30** – Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the event. Mr. Barile seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to approve.

4. Closing Announcements

a. Town Hall closed Presidents' Day February 20, 2017

5. Adjourn

- a. **Executive Session** – Mr. Barile made a motion to move to executive session for the purpose of negotiations and performance reviews, not to return to open session. Seconded by Mr. Taylor. Unanimous vote in favor to move to executive session.

Meeting Minutes prepared by Mary Ellen Schumann, Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 16th day of February 2017.



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