

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

**Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 4, 2018 6:30 PM**

**Chesley R. Taylor Jr., Chairman
Richard J. Lombard, Vice Chairman
Frank Barile, Recording Secretary
Antonio Barletta, Town Administrator**

1. Meeting Opening 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Selectman Taylor

- a. **Opening Comments** – Selectman Taylor reminder : there will be **Voter registration on Wednesday October 17th for Nov. 6th Election.** Town of Nahant will have early town voting from Monday October 22 – November 2, 2018 at the Town Clerks office.
- b. **Approve minutes of 9/20/18** - Mr. Barile made motion to approve the Board of Selectman regular meeting minutes on 9/20/18. Mr. Lombard seconded. Unanimous vote: Approved.

2. Citizen's Forum –

Pete Rogers -44 Pearl Rd.- commented that the expense of a special Town Meeting would be less than a Law Suit by Northeastern University (NU)

Ann Bower 29 Willow Rd.; Gene Canty Lafayette Ter.; Susan Sherry 6 Wilson Ave.; Marilyn Mahoney Willow Rd.; Tom Costin Jr.369 Nahant Rd.; Tom Costin 54 Maolis Rd.; Michelle Capano 29 Ocean St.; Roger Pasinski 36 Swallow Cave Rd. – all spoke to respectfully ask the Board of Selectman (BOS) to rescind their vote for an additional Town Meeting on December 1st to vote on the Wetland Bylaws siting the people of the town have voted in a democratic fashion and please respect the vote taken on August 27, 2018.

John Walton 2 Copper Beech wanted to thank Selectman Taylor and Barile for stepping up to schedule another Town meeting on the Wetland Bylaws.

Nick Bokran 333 Nahant Rd. would like to know if he needs to ask permission to put up a banner against the NU expansion and have a sign making event. Mr Barile asked Tony Barletta TA to look into this and get back to Nick with an answer.

Nick Bokran 333 Nahant Rd. and Jeff Thomas 16 Little Nahant Rd. both spoke on concerns for gas leaks under ground in the town. Each had episodes where gas leak came thru water pipes into a home. Selectman Barile asked that Tony look into what the town is doing with regard to the gas leaks in town.

Christian Bauta 3 Swallow Cave Rd. – Asked that the BOS share the details of the reports reviewed in the executive session with regards to the Appraisal of the land owned by Northeastern University and the Lawyers comments on Eminent Domain as soon as possible.

Selectman Lombard – shared that there is a group in town who have offered to underwrite the complete package concerning taking over NU by eminent domain. Mr. Lombard stated that the town cannot afford to buy back the land from NU. **Pete Rogers** reminded BOS town of selectman they need 2/3 vote from town to take any land by eminent domain. **Carl Jenkins 334 Nahant Rd.; Michelle Capano; Tom Costin Jr. and Jeff Thomas** all spoke in favor of continuing with the process of finding out the town's options.

3. New Business

- a. **Green Community Committee Presentation-First Reading** Tony Barletta reiterated the the States Green Communities Program requires town's to meet 5 energy saving criteria to become part of the state's program. To date, Nahant has met 3 of criteria and hopes to meet the last 2 criteria so that we can introduce and adopt the Green Communities Program by the next BOS meeting. Diane Montieth spoke to the program and the criteria we have met and still need to meet. The policy will be put on the website and then voted on at the next BOS meeting 10/18/18. The State deadline is October 26,2018.
- b. **Surplus DPW Truck** – Selectman Barile moved to declare the following as surplus equipment to be disposed of in accordance with MGL Chapter 30B Section 16: 1 Silverado pickup truck VIN 1GCHK24U67E158314. Selectman Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.
- c. **Approve Santa Parade Event Request** – Selectman. Lombard moved to approve the Santa parade on December 22, 2018 at 6pm. Selectman Barile seconded the motion. Selectman Lombard wanted to thank Ms. Roz Puleo for her continued efforts in planning and holding the Santa Parade. Unanimous vote.

4. Town Administrator Report

- a. **Appointment of new full time firefighter** – Mr Barletta stated there was a position of full time Fire Fighter left vacant by Jonathan Tibbo who transferred to the Winchester Fire Department. Following Civil Service Procedures Chief Feinburg requested a certified eligibility list from the State. Notices were sent to twelve (12) eligible candidates. Four (4) candidates signed the Certified list and three (3) candidates were interviewed by Mr. Barletta, Chief Feinburg, Captain Dean Palumbo, Firefighter Frank Pappalardo and Call Fire fighter Robert Tibbo. By unanimous decision Chief Feinburg recommended Matthew Canty for the position. Selectman Lombard moved to approve the appointment of Matthew Canty contingent upon a pre-employment physical, background check and physical agility testing to the position of full time Nahant Firefighter. Selectman Barile approved. Unanimous vote. With the promotion of Matthew Canty to a full time Firefighter there is a vacancy left on the call Firefighters list. Chief Feinburg recommends James Lowe be reappointed to the call firefighters list. Selectman Lombard moves for an offer of employment to James Lowe to the Call firefighters list contingent upon a pre-employment physical, background check and physical agility testing to the position of full time Nahant Firefighter. Selectman Barile seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.
- b. **Notice to award Tudor Beach Repair Project** – Town Administrator Barletta asks the BOS to move to approve the notice to award and start the contract process with MJS construction on the Tudor Beach Repair Project. Selectman Barile moves to allow Mr. Barletta to send notice to award the contract to MJS Construction to proceed with repair work to Tudor Beach Sea Wall. Mr. Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Selectman Barile would like Mr. Barletta to put the Parrot Rd. and Fallon Way projects on the agenda for the next BOS meeting.
- c. **Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Committee.** Selectman Barile made a motion to approve Mr. Gino Spelta and Mr. Brendan Buronic to head up the MVP Board. The MVP Committee shall study the effects of climate change and Sea level rising on the town of Nahant. Selectman Lombard seconds to motion. Unanimous vote.
- d. **November 6th Election** – Mr. Barletta would like to go on record he has the Warrant for the BOS to sign for the November 6, 2018 election. The BOS will be signing it after this meeting.

- e. **Tiny House Project Discussion** – Mr. Kent Briard is an Advertising Partner for Smuckers and Dunkin Donuts. They would like to showcase their Environmentally Friendly Tiny House as well as the Town of Nahant by shooting a short film while the House is parked at East Point. Then transfer the Tiny House to Baileys Hill and offer it a rental property to promote Green Living. The Tiny House is powered by Dunkin Donuts Coffee grounds. Selectman Barile would like Tony Barletta to get the Pamphlet on the Tiny House on the Town of Nahant website. Selectman Barile made a motion to allow the “Home that Runs on Dunkin” to park at Lodge Park and Bailey’s Hill from October 8 – November 15, 2018. Selectman Lombard seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

5. Ongoing Business

- a. **Approve Memorial Bench Policy** – Chairman Taylor read the Memorial Day Bench Policy. Selectman Lombard made a motion to accept the Memorial Day Bench Policy as presented. Selectman Barile seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.
- b. **Special Town Meeting 12/1/2018 @ noon** – In light of the anonymous call by townspeople to underwrite the entire eminent domain process at East Point, Selectman Lombard recommends the BOS cancels the Special Town Meeting and move the meeting to the annual Town Meeting in April. Jeff Blake, KP Law reviewed all requirements for holding a special Town Meeting and the rules for handling excess towns people at a remote site and the safe guards for having a legitimate and fair secret ballot. Several people voiced their opinion against having another Special Town Meeting. Chairman Taylor confirms that the Special Town Meeting is still scheduled for December 1, 2018 at noon.

6. Closing Announcements

- a. **Boat Hauling Days-10/8 & 10/13** - Chairman Taylor call Joselyn Marine @ (978)462-9717 to schedule an appointment
- b. **Leaf Collection Dates-10/9, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29**

- 7. **Adjourn:** Selectman Barile moves to adjourn. Chairman Taylor moves to adjourn to Executive Session not to return to Regular Session under MGL c.30A, section 21 (a) (6), to discuss the potential purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if the Chairman declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the town. A vote regarding whether to go into executive session is expected, and votes may occur during executive session. Chairman Taylor calls for a roll call vote. Selectman Barile and Selectman Lombard vote yes. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned.

Meeting Minutes prepared by Diane Dunfee, Assistant

Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen on the ____ day of _____ 2018.

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