

Town of Nahant, MA
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes
22 August 2013 7:30pm

Present:

Richard J. Lombard, Chairman
Perry Barrasso, Vice Chairman
Michael P. Manning, Secretary
Andrew Bisignani, Town Administrator
Charles H. Riley, Town Counsel

Meeting Convened at 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

1. Mr. Lombard welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Lombard presented Charlie Riley with a plaque in appreciation for his 25 Years of service to the Town.

Mr. Lombard congratulated and read a letter from the Girl Scouts recognizing Town resident, Joyce Maroney, as this year's recipient of their Leading Women Award.

2. **Prior Meeting Minutes**-None

3. **Dune Grass Plan**-Mr. Manning stated that he and the Town Administrator had presented the Conservation Commission with a preliminary proposed dune grass planting plan and had been well received. A Public Meeting of the Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 for a Request for Determination of Applicability and a negative vote is sought.

4. **Sign at Entrance to Town** - Mr. Manning stated that a number of people have requested to see the original sign placed back up at the entrance to Town. The original sign, created by a local artist has been preserved and is being stored at the DPW garage. It may need minor repairs and repainting. Mr. Lombard stated that he would like to have a new sign designed by the residents of Town. He also questioned where the flag pole will be placed. Mr. Lombard suggested the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator and Town Counsel be the judges. Mr. Barrasso stated he is open to the idea of a new sign. Mr. Lombard asked Mr. Bisignani to follow up on this..

5. **NLSS Special Permit Request** – Mr. Lombard asked the Board to table this discussion until he had time to review the document. Mr. Manning stated that the changes were minimal and they have been updated in the document so they may proceed with the Planning Board Hearing.

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning For discussion

Mr. Barrasso stated that due to the cooperation of all involved parties he is in agreement of the proposed request. Mr. Riley concurred with Mr. Manning in regards to the wording of the document related the Board's changes. He also stated the language in the last paragraph is not as distinctive as Mr. Manning suggested, but can be voted tonight as is and suggested at the Planning Board meeting motion be made to amend the language as Mr. Manning previously suggested. After a brief discussion it was unanimously voted to accept the document as presented.

6. DPW Superintendent Contract – Mr. Bisignani stated the board needs to rescind their vote of approval from the July 18, 2013 meeting and revote the current updated version of the contract as presented. Mr. Barrasso made a motion to delete the original vote. Mr. Manning stated this is an amendment to the wording from before

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning Unanimous Vote in Favor

Mr. Barrasso made a motion to approve the current DPW Superintendent contract as presented.

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning Unanimous Vote in Favor

7. DPW Surplus Equipment-Mr. Bisignani requested the Board declare the following DPW equipment as surplus: 1-1995 Tymco street sweeper, 1-1997 Ford Pick Up truck and 1-1998 Ford Explorer.

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning Unanimous Vote in Favor

8. Appoint Mary Conlin-Mr. Bisignani stated he received a request to appoint Mary Conlin to the Board of Registrars and asked the Board for their approval.

1st Manning 2nd Barrasso Unanimous Vote in Favor

9. Appoint Perry Barrasso- Mr. Bisignani stated he received a request to appoint Perry Barrasso to the Cemetery Committee and asked the Board for their approval.

1st Manning 2nd Barrasso Unanimous Vote in Favor

10. Approve Council on Aging One Day Liquor License - October 5, 2013 from 6-11:00pm located at the Town Hall.

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning For Discussion

Mr. Manning stated that the application should have an identifiable person named and suggested Linda Peterson. Unanimous Vote in Favor

11. Approve Nahant Veterans Association One Day Liquor License - August 30 & 31, 2013 from 4-10:00pm located at the Nahant Life Saving Station.

1st Manning 2nd Barrasso Unanimous Vote in Favor

12. Discuss Double Poles – Mr. Bisignani stated that he is in close contact with Verizon regarding the double poles and stated that two have already been replaced and that progress is being made to replace the remaining as soon as possible.

13. Approve Burial Lot Request – Mr. Barrasso made a motion to approve a request from a non resident to purchase two full burial lots at time of death. Mr. Manning seconded the motion for discussion. Mr. Manning stated that the Board should abide by the rules and regulations of the cemetery and not allow this request to pass or others that may arise so the residents do not run out of room for themselves. Mr. Barrasso stated that the unique circumstances justify the request. Mr. Lombard stated that the family has lived here most of their life and will vote in

favor. Voted: Mr. Lombard and Mr. Barrasso voted aye, Mr. Manning voted nay, the motion carries.

- 14. Recent Planning Board Request:** Mr. Riley stated he received an email from a Planning Board member asking what the process is in the Clerk's office when the clerk is not available. He stated that as long as the paper work is stamped in by an individual in that office it will suffice and the Town Clerk need not be present.
- 15. FIRM 2013 Revision and Warrant Article:** Mr. Manning stated that FEMA has asked the Town once again to approve changes to the Flood Map in order for the Town residents to be eligible for flood insurance. He went on to suggest that this information be made public so the residents have an opportunity to review the maps in the Building Departments Office during regular business hours.
- 16. Doggie Beach SOP for Complaints:** Mr. Manning stated that there have recently been complaints regarding Doggie Beach and these complaints should be referred to the Police Chief for a community policing approach to address the issues.
- 17. Reaffirm and Revote Rules & Regs of Cemetery & Wharf:** Mr. Manning suggested by the next Selectmen's meeting the Board review and suggest any revisions so they may be revoted at the next meeting.
- 18. Curbing in Front of Bank:** Mr. Lombard stated that the new curbing in front of the bank and adjacent house has gone too far and people can't turn into the bank when entering town. Mr. Barrasso understood Mr. Lombard's concern and pointed out that it may cause more traffic problems if it was to be removed and suggested residents go to the bank on their way out of town. Mr. Manning agreed with Mr. Barrasso stating that these plans were presented to the board in 2010 and the curb was placed there for safety reasons.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:25 pm.

1st Barrasso 2nd Manning Unanimous Vote in Favor

The minutes were prepared by Mary Lowe, Administrative Assistant.

The minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 19th day of September 2013.

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