

**Board of Selectmen Meeting
March 24, 2011**

*Present: Richard Lombard, Chairman
Elaine Titus, Vice Chairman
Michael Manning, Secretary*

*Mark Cullinan, Town Administrator
Charles Riley, Town Counsel*

The meeting convened at 7:30 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS:

Mr Lombard welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms Titus stated that she wishes the spring weather would continue. Mr Manning stated that last year's first annual "Run to Home Base", which is a fund raiser for injured veterans and is supported by the Boston Red Sox Foundation and Mass General Hospital, was a great success. He also stated Nahant supported two local runners last year and raised over \$2,500, and is held the weekend before Memorial Day. Mr Manning encouraged the public to continue their support this year.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2011 and March 9, 2011 Board of Selectmen meetings.

Motion: Manning
Seconded: Titus
Voted: Unanimous in favor.

APPROVE FY12 BUDGET:

Mr. Cullinan stated the FinCom finalized the FY12 budget at their last meeting and requested the Selectmen to approve this budget as submitted. Mr Cullinan went through each tab of the FY12 budget and explained the minor changes for each if any. Mr Manning made a motion to approve the budget as submitted. Ms Titus and Mr Lombard commended the FinCom and Town Accountant for their hard work and cooperation with this process.

Motion: Manning
Seconded: Titus
Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

APPROVE FY12 WARRANT/DISCUSS BEAR POND GOLF COURSE:

Mr Manning made a motion to open the Town Warrant, Ms Titus seconded the motion, the Town Warrant was opened. Mr. Cullinan reviewed the articles and explained each one in brief. He stated Article 9 is on the Warrant at this time to avoid a Special Town Meeting if the grant is approved. Mr Cullinan gave details regarding Article 10, Drainage/Bear Pond, explaining the drainage system through Bear Pond and the need for testing and dredging approximately every ten years. As a result of the testing, the sediment showed a potentially elevated level of chromium. Mr Manning then took explained that there are different valences of chromium with differing toxicities and the valence of the material in the current sample was unknown. He further stated that a resample to determine valence speciation is being conducted and results should be available in one week. When those results come in the Town will then take appropriate steps to continue planning the dredging process. Mr Cullinan went on to explain that this dredging is a part of the warrant item on the Town Meeting agenda agenda and stated that the DPW does not have the proper equipment to handle this job and would be best to borrow the money from revenues generated by the golf course and spread the job over two years.

A motion was made to approve and close the Warrant.

Motion: Titus
Seconded: Manning
Voted: Unanimous Vote In Favor

SHORT BEACH/NLSS PLAN & DESIGN:

Mr Cullinan presented the Board with the plans for the Short Beach/NLSS improvement project. He stated that this plan will greatly enhance the entire area with new access ramps and pathways to the beaches, including Black Rock Beach and Doggie Beach, new landscaping, lighting and underground utilities along Nahant Rd. He also discussed the need for management of the algae, playground areas, access from Little Nahant, Lowlands parking lot organization and vegetation along the softball fields. Mr Cullinan explained meetings will be held throughout the process for public input and this project will be funded over several years. Mr Riley inquired about the clean up at Baileys Hill. Mr Cullinan assured him that he is in contact with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Corps is in agreement to clean the area.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms Titus stated that Comcast workers from Fall River and Fairhaven, MA are campaigning for workers for union recognition. She suggested to the board to invite them to the meeting on April 7, 2011.

Mr Manning moved that the Town once again support the Run to Home Base effort of the Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital to raise funds for the charitable care of veterans

suffering from traumatic injury or requiring other support after service in Iraq and Afghanistan. He further asked that the Town website display a link for the effort and allowing support for Tara Butler, a Nahant veteran, who had signed up for the 9K run. He also encouraged any other Nahant resident who wished to run and seek pledge support from the community to call Town Hall to have their name and pledge link added to the website. Ms Titus seconded.

Motion: Manning
Seconded: Titus
Voted: Unanimous Vote in Favor

BOARD OF HEALTH: DISK CLEAN UP

Mr Lombard stated Enpro, the company hired to remove the disks from all beaches affected by the overflow, have been in town picking up these disks on all area beaches and that the DPW, Police and Emergency Management are in constant contact with the DEP and Enpro and have been cooperating with all efforts to keep this under control.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CHARLES KELLEY SCHOLARSHIP:

Mr Lombard explained the deadline for the Charles Kelley Scholarship is March 31, 2011, and any student interested must type an essay about community service. He went on to say more information can be found on the town website for all scholarships available.

DPW SPRING CLEAN UP:

Mr Lombard stated the DPW will begin spring clean up next week and reminded all residents to sweep their curbs into the streets and also metal recycling will begin Saturday April 30, 2011.

COMMUNITY GARDEN MEETING:

Ms Titus reminded everyone that there is community garden meeting on April 4, 2011, everyone is welcome. Mr Cullinan said the community garden has good ideas including adding sculptures to the garden and having artistic goods to sell this year.

BOS MEETING CHANGE:

Mr Riley suggested the BOS meeting scheduled on April 21, 2011 with the town moderator , be rescheduled to April 28, 2011, due to Holy Thursday.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

Motion: Titus
Seconded: Manning

Voted: Unanimous in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The minutes were prepared by Mary S Lowe, Administrative Assistant.

The minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on the 7th day of April 2011.
