

# **Town of Nahant**

## **Joint Meeting**

### **Board of Selectmen & Board of Health**

**Thursday December 17, 2020 via Zoom**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Mark P. Cullinan, Chairman**

**Joshua A. Antrim, Vice Chairman**

**Eugene Canty, Recording Secretary**

**Antonio Barletta, Town Administrator**

**Attendance:** Mark P. Cullinan (MC), Joshua A. Antrim (JA), Eugene Canty (GC)

### **1. Meeting Opening 6:30pm**

**MC-** Opened Joint Meeting with the Board of Selectmen and Board of Health at 6:30pm on December 17, 2020 via Zoom.

- a.** Coronavirus update with Health Nurse Deborah Murphy and Health Officer John Coulon

**Deborah Murphy-** Weekly numbers in the state of Mass reported at 4,985 new cases, with a 6.02% positivity rate. Nahant's numbers from 11/29/20-12/12/20 is 16 new cases with a 35.3% daily incident rate. Nahant now in yellow zone. Chelsea, Lynn and Revere numbers are very high and they are the top highest in the state. Swampscott is now in the red having 140 new cases in the last 2 weeks. Marblehead had 140 new cases in the last 2 weeks. Nahant has 9 Active cases with the average age of 42. The states average age is 38. We do not know where the cases are coming from, how/where people are originally contracting it. Thanksgiving did not increase numbers. Four out of five of Nahant's active cases were directly related to the person's workplace. There has been no school transmission. Swampscott schools are going 100% remote starting Monday until

January 8<sup>th</sup>. The covid testing in Nahant has been going good and well attended. A few people have had trouble getting/accessing their results.

**John Coulon-** Annual Food Inspections have been conducted and on track to complete. We do inspections prior to approval of annual liquor licenses and common victualler licenses. Each inspection includes discussion of COVID 19 compliance. It includes weather the staff is using masks properly, are masks being made available to customers, does management have a plan of response to a COVID 19 exposure. Checks how the facilities air handling capabilities are. Look at frequency of surfaces being cleaned. Looking into funding for Local Boards of Health and representation at the state level.

**MC-** Testing in Nahant will be tomorrow Friday 12/18 at St. Thomas from 11-1. Next week 12/22 and 12/23 from 11-1 at St. Thomas. The following week 12/29 and 12/30 at St. Thomas from 11-1. Nahant residents can still go to Swampscott at 585 Humphrey St. Mon-Fri 2:30-6:30pm and Saturdays 8am-12pm.

## **2. Opening Comments**

**MC-** DPW did a great job on the storm over night into today.

### **a. Winter parking Ban**

**MC-** Winter parking ban is from December 21-March 20<sup>th</sup> from 12am-6am. Residents can contact Nahant Police Dept. for ways to park off street

### **b. Nahant DPW searching for Snow Removal Operators and Equipment**

**MC-** Nahant DPW now accepting applications for Snow Removal Equipment and operators interested in snow plowing. It is on an as needed basis, must be available 24 hours a day. Hourly pay is based on type of vehicle and type of accessories. Any questions call Mary Lowe at Town Hall 781-581-0026.

### **c. Holiday Trash Pickup 2020-2021**

**MC-** Thursday 12/24 as usual, Friday 12/25 will be moved to 12/26. Thursday 12/31 stay as usual and Friday 1/1 will be moved to 1/2. Call DPW at 781-581-0026 with any issues.

### **d. Real Estate Bill**

**MC-** Real Estate Bills due tomorrow December 18, 2020

**JA-** Keep Tom Gallery in our hearts upon his passing.

**JA-** Asked Dan Skrip (Town Counsel) what the status is of Kelly Greens and the negotiations.

**Dan Skrip** (Town Counsel)- I spoke to Attorney Shapiro regarding a 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of lease and we were able to agree to up to about 2/3 of the changes she had. We are making good headway. We will be meeting with Pete Fitzgerald (Golf Course Committee Chair) to go over the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft with him

**GC-** Asked what the long range plans look like

**Dan Skrip-** (Town Counsel)- At the next meeting we can give you a better idea as far as opening times etc. The golf course is open for people to golf but the restaurant is not open yet.

**JA-** Wants BOS and TA to send a joint letter and/or reach out to National Grid regarding Little Nahant's infrastructure.

### **3. New Business**

- a. Approve BOS meeting minutes from the BOS meetings on October 1, 2020, October 22, 2020, November 19, 2020 and December 3, 2020

#### **Motion:**

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the BOS meeting minutes from October 1, 2020

**GC-** seconded

#### **Roll Call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

#### **Motion:**

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the BOS meeting minutes from October 22, 2020

**GC-** seconded

**Roll Call vote:**

JA- yes

GC-yes

MC-yes

Motion:

JA- I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the BOS meeting minutes from November 19, 2020

GC- seconded

**Roll Call vote:**

JA- yes

GC-yes

MC-yes

**Motion:**

JA- I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the BOS meeting minutes from December 3, 2020

GC- seconded

**Roll Call vote:**

JA- yes

GC-yes

MC-yes

**b. Approve Annual Liquor Licenses**

MC- We are going to go through these Licenses and make our approvals but they are subject to all inspections being complete, payment of all fines/fees. Before they are released they will be contingent upon owners meeting requirements.

Motion:

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the following Liquor License Renewal Applications for Calendar year 2021 to be approved by the ABCC:

-Nahant Knights of Columbus Building Association Inc., 17 Relay Yard, Club License- All Alcoholic Beverages.

-Goodell's Inc., D/B/A Bayside Restaurant, One Southwick Avenue, Restaurant License-All Alcoholic Beverages

-Tides at Nahant Inc. 2B Wilson Road, Restaurant License- All Alcoholic Beverages

-Atlantic Functions, Inc., D/B/A Oceanview, Zero Willow Road, Restaurant License- All Alcoholic Beverages

-R&C Convenience Store, Inc., D/B/A Seaside Variety 141 Nahant Road, Package Store License- All Alcoholic Beverages.

-Nahant Country Club, 280 Nahant Road, Club License- All Alcoholic Beverages

**\*\***And further, that the release of said licenses are subject to the approval of all inspections and payment of all outstanding fees, fines, and payments to the Town of Nahant.

**GC-** seconded

**Roll call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

**c. Approve Annual Common Vicuttaller Licenses**

**Motion:**

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the following Common Victualler Licenses as stands alone or in connection with a Liquor License for the Calendar year 2021 for the following establishments.

-Nahant Knights of Columbus Building Association, D/B/A Nahant Knights of Columbus, 17 Relay Yard

-Tides at Nahant, 2B Wilson Road

-Atlantic Functions Inc.,D/B/A Oceanview, Zero Willow Road

-Goodell's Inc.,D/B/A Bayside, One Southwick Avenue

-Seaside Pizza, 149 Nahant Road

-Seaside Variety, 141 Nahant Road

-Nahant Country Club 280 Nahant Road

**\*\***And further, that the release of said licenses are subject to the approval of all inspections and payment of all outstanding fees, fines, and payments to the Town of Nahant.

**GC-** seconded

**Roll call vote:**

**JA-**yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

**d.** Approve Annual Used Car Dealers Licenses-Class II

Motion:

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the following Used Car Dealers Licenses- Class II for the Calendar year 2021 for:

-George Mastoras, D/B/A Seaside Auto, 5 Linda Lane

-Francis Barile,D/B/A Nahant Garage, 21 Spring Road

**\*\***And further, that the release of said licenses are subject to the approval of all inspections and payment of all outstanding fees, fines, and payments to the Town of Nahant.

**GC-** seconded

**Roll call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

**e. Approve Annual Entertainment Licenses**

**Motion:**

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the following Entertainment Licenses for the Calendar year 2021

-Nahant Knights of Columbus, 17 Relay Yard: 5 TV's, 5 Musicians, DJ and pool table

-Functions, Inc., D/B/A Oceanview, Zero Willow Road: Live Music, DJ.

-Goodell's, Inc., D/B/A The Bayside, One Southwick Avenue: Jukebox, 7 Piece Orchestra (non-amplified)

-Tides at Nahant, 2B Wilson Road: 10 TV's, 2 Amusement devices, live music and karaoke

-Nahant Country Club, 280 Nahant Road: TV, Live Music, DJ

**\*\***And further, that the release of said licenses are subject to the approval of all inspections and payment of all outstanding fees, fines, and payments to the Town of Nahant.

**GC-** seconded

**Roll call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

**4. Ongoing Business**

- a. Preserving East Point-continued discussion

MC- We are still waiting for the financial impact report hoping to have it before the end of the year. The concom scheduled a meeting for a Notice of Intent on December 21<sup>st</sup> 2020 via zoom. We had asked the state to extend the Chapter 53 requirements and we have not heard back.

**5. Town Administrators Report**

- a. MA DEP Administrative Consent Order

**Dan Skrip** (Town Counsel)- This was an Administrative Consent Order and Administrative Action by the DEP which means that the DEP was alerted to our two major water main ruptures back in June 2019 and June 2020. It is looking into how we are dealing with water runoff and sewer issues. Due to the breach that is a regulatory violation so the DEP needs to respond. It is a friendly event and the DEP is just making sure we are taking care of the situation and making plans to improve our waste water system and to do our best to make sure it doesn't breach again. This order is setting forth a plan, which we have already started complying with already, we have already submitted draft bylaws for infiltration and inflow, we have already submitted a cctv engineering report. We now need to execute the consent order which sets into play a few other deadlines to meet. Once the effective date of the order begins we have 45 days to provide our emergency response schedule, Zach is working to with Wright and Pierce to make that happen. On September 1, 2021 our implementation schedule is due and at the end of 2021 we should be at a substantial completion date. All of these dates have been approved by Coughlin Engineering and Wright and Pierce. There was a fine for the violations that was under 10,000\$ but it will be waived as long as we maintain the timeline. Once the Administrative Consent Order is signed I will

create a timeline to make sure we are on pace. The Town Administrator cannot sign the Consent Order without the Board of Selectmen authorization.

**Motion:**

**MC-** I move that the Board of Selectmen authorize the Town Administrator to execute the Administrative Consent Order just discussed.

**JA-** seconded

**Roll Call Vote:**

**MC- yes**

**GC- yes**

**JA- yes**

**b. Vacant Seat on the Conservation Commission**

**MC** – There is an open seat on the Conservation Commission. Please submit letter of interest and resume to [ktaylor@nahant.org](mailto:ktaylor@nahant.org) by December 31, 2020.

**MC-** We were going to into Executive Session but I do not think we are. The Legislative Act that created the act of the Town Administrator requires the Board of Selectmen to inform the Town Administrator weather or not they are going to negotiate a new contract with him/her 6 months prior to the contract expiration. The current TA Tony’s contract expires in June.

**6. Citizens Forum**

**Rose Cort-** Stated “At the Planning board meeting this week, there was an indication that after storms the pump station near Northeastern registering as pumping in volumes which led to concern that broken sewer pipes are absorbing storm water which effects residents fees. A member of the board indicated that NU refused to allow a town consultant engineer to inspect the sewer pipe that runs through the property. Do you have any information?”

**Dan Skrip (Town Counsel)-** Because Northeastern produces so much waste water we had to come up with a draft bylaw that causes them to have increased vigilance in terms of monitoring their waste water systems.

**MC-** So there may be inflow coming from Northeastern that is unneeded and unsure exactly where the extra inflow is coming from, it may be easy to find out since there is a pump station at the corner of Northeastern and Nahant road that receives waste water from the East Point neighborhood which is Cliff St, Vernon St, and Nahant Rd. So about 15-20 houses contribute waste water to that pump station. We can look at the run times on our pumps and figure out how much waste water we are pumping from there and it is a 100x more than what is being contributed from those houses. So the extra inflow is coming from somewhere. Further investigation needs to take place.

## **7. Adjourn**

### **Motion:**

**JA-** I move to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting.

**GC-** Seconded

### **Roll Call Vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

**MC-**yes

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20pm on December 17, 2020

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kristin Taylor, Administrative Assistant on January 4, 2021

Meeting Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Board of Selectmen

