

**Town of Nahant, MA**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:30 PM**  
Mark P. Cullinan, Chairman  
Joshua A. Antrim, Vice Chairman  
Eugene Canty, Recording Secretary  
Antonio Barletta, Town Administrator (TA)

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

**2. Opening Comments**

Mr. Antrim made a motion; I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to open the June 23, 2020 Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:30pm

Mr. Cullinan seconded

Roll Call vote

Josh Antrim-I

Mark Cullinan- I

Unanimous vote in favor

**3. New Business**

a. Swearing in of new Board of Selectmen member

Interim Town Clerk, Carol Nelson swore in Gene Canty as a Nahant Board of Selectmen

Mr. Canty shared a few words and thanked everyone for their support.

Mr. Antrim shared a few comments- we received word that MEPA has approved Northeastern's final EIR.

The Audobon Society is going to start a restoration project at the Nahant Thicket starting in early July. There is an informational meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm on Furbish Road.

A financial assessment of the impacts of eminent domain associated with the CPC application; requested for TA to distribute to Mark, Gene and Jeff Blake to review. Would also like this information posted on nahant.org

Mr. Cullinan –As a member of the Board of Selectmen; I think that it is important to think about providing handicap access to Short beach and perhaps additional beached in Town.

TA The Town became an MVP community about a year ago. We applied for an MVP action grant- its goal is to design access paths to Short Beach and restore the dune. Part of that is ADA access to at least one entry point to the beach. We hired Applied Coastal as our consultant. The grant doesn't include funding for construction. It is a design grant. We hope to be complete with that within the next month. After that step, we will then go through a public process; show the Town what Applied Coastal put together, allow people to comment and then later we will apply for funding for actual construction.

b. Reorganize the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Cullinan- we do this every year after the election. Typically the Selectmen who is up for election the following year, becomes chair. Mr. Cullinan is filling the unexpired seat, which is up next year.

Mr. Antrim made a motion; I move to reorganize the positions of the Board of Selectmen as follows; Mark Cullinan as chairman, Josh Antrim as Vice chairman and Gene Canty as Recording Secretary.

Seconded by Mr. Canty

Roll Call Vote

Josh Antrim-I

Gene Canty-I

Mark Cullinan-I

Unanimous vote in favor

#### **4. Ongoing Business**

- a. Vote to approve deficit spending budget for the month of July FY21

A discussion about the budget took place between the TA and Board of Selectmen

Mr. Antrim made a motion; I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the deficit spending budget for the month of July FY2021

Seconded by Mr. Canty

Roll Call Vote

Josh Antrim-I

Gene Canty-I

Mark Cullinan-I

Unanimous vote in favor

- b. Oceanview request regarding COVID-19 reopening phase - temporary extension for use of an outdoor event tent

TA discussed the background on this request/agenda item.

Owner, Mr. Gillant is requesting to put the tent up immediately, for this year only, due to the impact of the Coronavirus.

Mr. Antrim made a motion; I move that the Board of Selectmen pursuant to section 6.1 of the Oceanview lease agreement vote to allow Oceanview to install a temporary outdoor event tent on the outside terrace area of the property beginning tomorrow and until the third week of October when the lease addendum timeframe takes effect.

Seconded by Mr. Cullinan

Discussion

Mr. Canty asked for the hours of operation?

Owner Mike Gillant- responded that the hours of operation coincide with current limitations on licensing.

A brief discussion between the Board and the Owner of Oceanview took place.

Roll Call Vote

Josh Antrim-I

Gene Canty-I

Mark Cullinan-I

Unanimous vote in favor

c. Vote to approve the police union contract

Mr. Canty made a motion; I move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the Nahant Police Union Memorandum of agreement for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the memorandum of agreement for the three fiscal years of 2020-2023.

Seconded by Mr. Antrim

Discussion

Mr. Cullinan- Are the other union contracts (DPW and Fire) coming up the same year?

TA Yes, and we are very close.

Roll Call Vote

Josh Antrim-I

Gene Canty-I

Mark Cullinan-I

Unanimous vote in favor

## **5. Town Administrator Report**

TA we are at zero active cases as it related to Coronavirus. Thanked all of the residents for participating in the election this past weekend.

## **6. Citizens Forum**

Michelle Capano asked if there is any update on Northeastern University

TA Mr. Antrim did mention in the beginning of this meeting that the FEIR has been approved by MEPA. Also a financial cost impact report regarding eminent domain was put together that TA will share with other Selectmen and KP Law

Bill Mahoney – unable to hear the question.

Mr. Cullinan- as you know the MEPA review is not a permitting issue authority. Basically what they have done is state that they are in compliance with their filing. Should they go further with expansion plans, there are a number of permits that they would be required to have. I know Town Council is looking at that now.

Mr. Antrim made a motion to adjourn

Seconded by Mr. Cullinan

Roll Call Vote

Josh Antrim-I

Gene Canty-I

Mark Cullinan-I

Unanimous vote in favor

## **7. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned 7:47pm

Meeting Minutes prepared by Bobbie-Jo Blair, Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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