

**Town of Nahant**  
**Joint Meeting**  
**Board of Selectmen & Board of Health**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday October 1, 2020 via Zoom**

**Mark P. Cullinan, Chairman**

**Joshua A. Antrim, Vice Chairman**

**Eugene Canty, Recording Secretary**

**Antonio Barletta, Town Administrator**

**Attendance:** Joshua A. Antrim (JA), Eugene Canty (GC), Antonio Barletta (TA)

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

**JA-** Moved to open the Board of Selectman meeting on Thursday October 1, 2020 via zoom at 6:30pm.

**GC-** seconded

**a. Coronavirus Update:**

**Deborah Murphy** (Town Health Nurse)- No new cases of coronavirus since September 23, 2020. We are in the lowest risk category. All together 1601 people have been tested. 229 people have been tested in the last two weeks. On October 5<sup>th</sup> we will go into Phase 3 Step 2 because we meet the criteria of being low risk for the last 3 weeks.

**John Coulon** (Town Health Officer)- New orders will go into effect this Monday October 5<sup>th</sup>. The changes are that there will be an emphasis on anyone having outdoor gatherings of 50 people or more should contact the local board of health at least one week prior to event. Private residences and private backyards will stay at a maximum of 50 people. Other venues in lower risk communities like Nahant will go to a maximum 100 people. Emphasis on social distancing of 6 feet. Indoor gatherings are limited to a maximum of 25 people. For indoor gatherings of more than 10 people with children over 5 yrs. old must wear a face covering. The local licensing board can revoke or suspend any liquor/operating license if they find the licensee violated rules. Political and Religious activities are exempted however as long as they follow the covid 19 safety guidelines for capacity regulations.

**Drive in Flu Clinic-**

**Deborah Murphy**- Today October 1<sup>st</sup> was day one of the towns two day flu clinic. Very organized. Tomorrow will be the second day.

**2. Opening Comments:**

**a. Boat Hauling Dates:**

**JA-** Boat Hauling dates are on October 16<sup>th</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup>. Jocelyn Marine Services arrives a few hours before high tide. Wharf parking lot will be cleared and marked the night before.

**3. New Business**

**a. Vacancy on the School Committee**

**JA-** Announced open seat on the School Committee.

**TA-**Section 3-13 of our Town Charter requires that when an elected position goes vacant that it is a joint vote of the Board of Selectmen and the remaining members of that board or committee to fill the seat until the next election when the remaining years of the vacant term will be on the ballot. If you are interested send letter of interest/resume to the Town Administrator or the School Superintendent by Wednesday October 14<sup>th</sup>. A joint meeting will be scheduled with the School Committee to have a vote to fill the seat.

**4. Ongoing Business**

**a. Preserving East Point- Continuing Discussion**

**JA-** Northeastern did sent a letter consisting of an offer and asking for a prompt reply. The Selectmen met in executive session and rejected the offer that was presented. In the response letter we are encouraging Northeastern to return to the table and discuss and offer that would be more consistent to what the town wants.

**b. Vote to approve FY21 trash rates and the changes to distribution and abatements.**

**Motion:**

**Dan Skrip-** I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the 2020 trash rates and abatements as outlined in the document and titled Town of Nahant trash rates and abatements 2020

**JA-** So moved

**GC-** seconded

**Roll call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-yes**

**Discussion:**

**TA-** We have tried to change and distribute the cost of the services in a more fair and equitable way to the rate payers in town.

**c. Kelly Greens Golf Course RFP Update- 2 Week Extension**

**TA-** We have extended the deadline that was September 30<sup>th</sup> to a two week extension because of a procurement requirement

**5. Town Administrators Report**

**TA- RECENT STORM-** Around 7:30am yesterday 9/30/20 a power boat broke free from its mooring and rested on Tudor Beach. Several other boats were in trouble in the Tudor wharf mooring area. A 16 foot sail boat broke free. A 32 foot sail boat dragged its mooring and was in danger of grounding out. A 50 foot trawler broke free from its mooring and hit a 23 foot lobster boat sinking it. Another 32 foot boat was sent into the rocks. An undetermined amount of diesel fuel was spilled into the harbor. The coast guard was informed by the harbormaster. MASS DEP and Coast Guard were dispatched and were onsite by noon. Clean harbor environmental services were there to remove remaining fuel from the vessel. All fuel has been removed from the harbor. Significant damage around town to roofs and trees down.

**a. Annual town meeting review**

**TA-** The annual town meeting went very smoothly. Thanked everyone who had a role in having a successful meeting.

**b. Streetlight Conversion Project Update**

**TA-** We have about a quarter of the materials delivered. As soon as all of the LED cobra heads for our street lights are in then the job will begin. It's around a 3 week project.

**c. Water Repair Projects**

**TA-** Over the past month our engineer and our contractor have been making much needed water repairs to Furbush Rd, Walton Rd, Howe Rd and Mills Terr. Parrot Rd project is complete. Fallon way also will be getting repairs. There are large white sand bags at the entrances of Short Beach in place of jersey barriers while we wait for the new project to start.

**6. Citizens Forum**

\*There were no comments/questions from citizens during citizen's forum

**7. Adjourn**

**JA-** I move that the Board of Selectmen Adjourn

**GC-** seconded

**Roll Call vote:**

**JA-** yes

**GC-**yes

Meeting Adjourned 7:37pm

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kristin Taylor Administrative Assistant on 11/30/20

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

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Board of Selectmen