SELECT BOARD

MINUTES

January 18, 2023

Board met in HYBRID session at 7:00 p.m. at Abbot Hall and via ZOOM Conferencing The following members were present constituting a quorum:

M. C. Moses Grader, Chair
Jackie Belf-Becker
Erin M. Noonan
James E. Nye
Alexa J. Singer

Thatcher W. Kezer III, Town Administrator

TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. Interview. Appointment. Helina Tadesse appeared before the Board seeking appointment to the Task Force. Motion made and seconded to appoint Helina Tadesse to the Task Force against Discrimination, Student Representative, with a term to expire in June 2023. All in favor.

OLD BURIAL HILL COMMITTEE. Interview. Appointment. Judy Gates and Andrew Gallucci appeared before the Board seeking appointment to the Old Burial Hill Committee. Motion made and seconded to appoint Judy Gates and Andrew Gallucci to the Old Burial Hill Committee with a term to expire in June 2023. All in favor.

JOINT MEETING WITH MARBLEHEAD HOUSING AUTHORITY. Interview. Appointment. The Board held a joint meeting with following members of the Marblehead Housing Authority: Jennifer Schaeffner, Jean Eldridge and Pam Foye, as it relates to filling a vacancy, created by a resignation, on the Marblehead Housing Authority. Theresa Tauro was interviewed in joint session. Motion made and seconded to appoint Theresa Tauro to the Marblehead Housing Authority with a term to expire in June 2023. On a roll call vote all members voted in favor.

LICENSING. The Hotel Marblehead. Lodging House License. 264 Pleasant Street. Julius Sokol appeared before the Board seeking a Lodging House License for 264 Pleasant Street. Motion made and seconded to approve the application for a Lodging House License, as presented, for The Hotel Marblehead, 264 Pleasant Street, manager, Julius Sokol, subject to receipt of all applicable fees and sign offs. All in favor.

RETIREMENT BOARD. COLA Increase. Robert Peck, Chair, Marblehead Retirement Board, appeared before the Board seeking approval from the Board to adopt a COLA increase. Attorney Peck advised the Board that the Retirement Board granted a 3% COLA, which only applies to the first $12,000 of a retiree's pension and would be effective as of July 1, 2022. On December 14, 2022, the Retirement Board voted the

additional 2% as allowed by Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022. In order to take effect this additional 2% increase required adoption by the Select Board. Motion made and seconded on recommendation of the Retirement Board and as presented, to adopt a COLA increase as allowed by Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022. All in favor.

FAIR HOUSING COMMITTEE. Appointments. The Town Administrator reviewed with the Board the process that has been taken to reorganize the Fair Housing Committee. Motion made and seconded to appoint the following members of the Fair Housing Committee in accordance with the vote of the Select Board on November 16, 2022:
Required Members:

- Town Administrator, Chair
- Town Planner
- Member of the Select Board, Erin Noonan
- Marblehead Housing Authority representative, Teri McDonough
- Disabilities Commission representative, Katie Farrell
- Task Force against Discrimination representative, Joe Whipple

3 additional Members – 3-year terms/staggered

- Dirk Isbransten, exp June 2023
- Debra Larkin, exp June 2024
- Mimi Hollister, exp June 2025

3 Alternate Members – 3-year terms/staggered

- Frank Evans, exp June 2023
- Bob Nuess, exp June 2024
- Kurt James, exp June 2025

All in favor.

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from December 21, 2022, and January 5, 2023. Three voted in favor, Alexa Singer, present December 22, 2022, and Jim Nye present for January 5, 2023.

CONTRACT. Bill's Auto Clinic. Motion made and seconded to approve the License Agreement between the Town and Bill's Auto Clinic, Salem, MA, as presented, and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board. All in favor.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) Projects. The Town Administrator reviewed a summary of additional services and purchases to be funded through ARPA. Motion made and seconded to approve the use of federal ARPA Funds for the following purpose and amount: Literacy Curriculum Adoption and Implementation, $400,000. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Miles for Mary 5k walk/run. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from William H. Park to hold the annual Miles for Mary Memorial 5K run/walk to support Brain Cancer research on Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon subject to approval from Police and Fire, Recreation and Parks Department, receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and police details. No permanent

markings shall be made on the streets and any temporary markings shall be removed at the conclusion of the event. All in favor.

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE. Minutes. Motion made and seconded to approve the Compensation Committee minutes of February 19, 2019, March 20, 2019, and November 19, 2019. All in favor.

PERMISSION. YMCA Head to the Hill 5K. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Carol Meyer, YMCA of the North Shore, to hold the Head to the Hill 5K Road Race on Sunday, May 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. subject to approval from Police and Fire, police details and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. No permanent markings are allowed on the streets and all temporary markings shall be removed at the conclusion of the event. The event will start and end at the Lynch/van Otterloo YMCA. All in favor.

BELLS. Washington's Birthday. Motion made and seconded that the bells of Abbot Hall and all the churches in Marblehead be rung on Washington's Birthday, Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at the usual holiday hours from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.; 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.; 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. as has been the custom in the past. All in favor.

AGREEMENT. Private Connection to Town Drainage. 118 Pleasant Street. Motion made and seconded to approve the License Agreement for a Private Connection to Town Drainage System between the Town and J. Stratton Moore, Neptune Realty LLC, 118 Pleasant Street, as presented, and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board. All in favor.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE. Successor Agreement. Motion made and seconded that the Select Board designate Thatcher W. Kezer III, Town Administrator, as the Board's representative to enter into negotiations pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32b section 19, with the Town's Public Employees Committee (PEC) regarding successor agreement effective June 30, 2024. All in favor.

ANIMAL CONTROL. Dangerous Dog Hearing. Motion made and seconded to appoint the Town Administrator to investigate and hold a public hearing on a request from the Police Chief for a dangerous dog hearing on a dog residing at 45 Pickwick Road and to report his findings back to the Board. 10 days written notice of the public hearing shall be provided to the dog owner. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Marblehead Youth Baseball. Opening Day Parade. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Kimberly Levanthal, Marblehead Youth Baseball, to hold their annual opening day parade on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. subject to approval from Police, Fire, Schools, Recreation and Park, police details and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. No permanent markings are allowed on the streets and all temporary markings shall be removed at the conclusion of the event. The event will start behind Veterans Middle School and end at Gatchell's Park. All in favor.

LETTERS OF INTEREST. The following letters of interest were received by the Board: Meredith Reardon, Marblehead Forever Committee and Marjorie Norman, Cultural Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Dan Albert addressed the Board regarding the Complete Streets Policy.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE. Annual Report. The Board received the annual report of the Compensation Committee.

TOWN ADMINSTRATOR UPDATE. The Town Administrator updated the Board on the following:

- Village Street Bridge replacement project
- ADA Transition Plan Community Survey is currently on the website at www.marblehead.org all residents are encouraged to take the survey.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide

List of documents used:
Resumes: Helaine Tadesse, Judy Gate, Andrew Gallucci, Theresa Tauro
Lodging Housing License application. Hotel Marblehead
Retirement Board letter re COLA increase
Contract, Bill's Auto
Memo, ARPA request
Miles for Mary 5k request
Complete Streets Minutes, Feb 19, 2019, March 20, 2019, Nov 19, 2019
YMCA head to hills request
Private Drain agreement 118 Pleasant Street
Email from PEC to initiate negotiations
Request from Police Chief for Dangerous Dog Hearing
Letters of Interest: Meredith Reardon, Marblehead Forever Committee, Marjorie Norman, Cultural Council
Town Administrator Memo, Compensation Committee annual report