

SELECT BOARD

MINUTES

October 11, 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:

Erin M. Noonan, Chair
M. C. Moses Grader
Bret T. Murray
James E. Nye
Alexa J. Singer

Thatcher W. Kezer III, Town Administrator

The Chair called the meeting of October 11, 2023 to order.

The Chair and Select Board Member Grader read statements regarding the recent acts of violence in the Middle East.

PUBLIC HEARING. LICENSING. All Alcoholic Beverage License. Pikilia Inc., 261 Washington Street. Thanas Bido appeared before the Board seeking permission for the Transfer & Issuance of Stock, Change of Officers/Directors and Change of Manager. No one spoke in favor or opposed to the application. The following votes were taken: **CHANGE OF MANAGER.** Motion made to approve the application from Pikilia Inc., d/b/a Elia Taverna, 261 Washington Street, to change the name of the Manager on the All-Alcoholic Beverage License to Angjello Bido subject to receipt of the required forms, fees, and approval from ABCC and CORI. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Grader, in favor; Mr. Nye, in favor; Mrs. Singer, in favor; Mr. Murray, in favor; Mrs. Noonan, in favor.

CHANGE OF OFFICERS/DIRECTORS, TRANSFER AND ISSUANCE OF STOCK. Motion to approve the application from Pikilia Inc., d/b/a Elia Taverna, 261 Washington Street, for Change of Officers/Directors and for the Transfer and Issuance of Stock on the All-Alcoholic Beverage License, subject to receipt of the required forms, fees, and approval from ABCC and CORI. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mrs. Singer, in favor; Mr. Murray, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Noonan, in favor.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION. Interview/Appointment. Jessica Norton appeared before the Board as it relates to serving on the Conservation Commission. Questions were asked by the Board and a motion was made and seconded to appoint Jessica Norton to the Conservation Commission with a term to expire in June 2026. All in favor.

TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. Interviews/Appointments. The Chair welcomed all applicants to the meeting and reviewed the interview process with the applicants. There are three openings on the committee for 3-year staggered terms. The following applicants were interviewed by the Board: Dan Albert, Judith Black, John Bonner, Peter Fleming, Gary Hebert, Russell King, David Kucharsky, Jody Magee, Bryon Rizos, Dan Shuman, Rick Smyers. After the Board's review the Town Administrator asked for 3 nominations from each Select Board Member. Applicants receiving 3 or more votes will receive appointment to the committee with the highest vote getter receiving the longest term. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Grader: Herbert, Kucharsky, Rizos; Mrs. Singer: Hebert, Kucharsky, Smyers; Mr. Murray: Hebert, Kucharsky, Shuman; Mr. Nye: King, Kucharsky, Rizos; Mrs. Noonan: Hebert, Kucharsky, Smyers. David Kucharsky appointed to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee with a term to expire in June 2026. Gary Hebert appointed to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee with a term to expire in June 2025. On the 2nd round of voting to break the tie with Byron Rizos and Rick Smyers the Board voted as follows: Mr. Grader, Rizos; Mrs. Singer, Smyers; Mr. Murray, Smyers; Mr. Nye, Rizos; Mrs. Noonan, Smyers. Rick Smyers appointed to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee with a term to expire in June 2024.

The Board discussed the town staff appointments to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee and a motion was made and seconded to appoint the following to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee:

- Police Chief or designee
 - Fire Chief or designee
 - DPW Director or designee
 - Town Engineer or designee
 - Town Administrator, ex officio
- All in favor.

ABBOT HALL AND MARY ALLEY BUILDING. Holiday Hours.

Veterans Day – Motion made and seconded to approve the following hours of operation, in observance of Veteran's Day, for Mary A. Alley Building and Abbot Hall:

- Thursday, November 9, 2023 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Friday, November 10, 2023 Closed for Municipal Business

All in favor

Congressman Seth Moulton will be holding a Veterans Town Hall on Friday, November 10, 2023 at 3:00 pm at Abbot Hall. This event is open to the public.

Thanksgiving - Motion made and seconded to approve the following hours of operation, in observance of Thanksgiving, for Mary A. Alley Building and Abbot Hall:

- Wednesday, November 22, 2023 8:00 am – 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 23, 2023 CLOSED all day
- Friday, November 24, 2023 CLOSED all day

All in favor.

PRELIMINARY REVENUE FORECAST. Aleesha Nunley Benjamin, Finance Director/CFO, appeared before the Board to present a preliminary Revenue Forecast. Questions by the Board were answered. No votes were taken.

OVERNIGHT PARKING BAN. Winter Snow Emergencies. Motion made and seconded to suspend Town of Marblehead Article 5 section 8 known as the current “All Night Parking Ban” and to implement in its place a snow emergency response to snow events on an ‘as needed’ basis. Declared snow emergencies will prohibit on-street parking starting at midnight the day of the anticipated snow storm. On-street parking will be allowed the following morning starting at 7:00 am during a declared snow emergency. If the duration of any snow emergency is more than a day, on-street parking will be prohibited on each day of the snow emergency from midnight to 7:00 am. Any vehicles that violate the provisions of this motion are subject to the issuance of parking tickets and towing. Notification of a declared snow emergency shall be done through the Town website, CodeRED automated call system, Town-managed social media accounts, MHTV, and any other outlets the Town has available. This vote is revocable upon the determination of the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Town Administrator, Department of Public Works, or their designees, that it is negatively impacting public health and safety. All in favor.

APPOINTMENT. Acting Treasurer/Tax Collector. Motion made and seconded to appoint Cami Ianarelli Acting Treasurer/Tax Collector. All in favor.

ABBOT HALL. Permission to Use. Rotary Club of Marblehead Harbor. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Rotary Club of Marblehead Harbor to use Abbot Hall for their annual Holiday Pops Concert on the following days all in accordance with the usual rules, regulations, fees and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance:

Friday, December 8, 2023 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Saturday, December 9, 2023 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Monday, December 11, 2023 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

All in favor.

LICENSING. One Day Liquor License. Abbot Hall. Motion made to approve the request from Diane Barbour, Marblehead Rotary Club, for a 1-day liquor license, Beer and Wine, at Abbot Hall on Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for the annual Holiday Pops concert, subject to the following conditions:

- Delivery of and receipt by the Licensing Authority of the required fee (\$50)
- Delivery of and receipt by the Licensing Authority of Proof that the alcohol will be purchased from an authorized source.
- Proof that the applicant can receive proper delivery; provide proper storage and disposal of all alcoholic beverages purchased all in accordance with the requirements of G. L. c. 138.
- Liquor Liability Insurance
- Alcohol will be purchased and delivered from North Shore Bartenders.
- No Alcohol is allowed to remain on premise overnight.

Moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Singer. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Singer, in favor; Mr. Murray, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mr. Nye, in favor; Mrs. Noonan, in favor.

PERMISSION. MHS Booster Drive. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Kate Dulac, Co-Chair, Scholarship Drive, to hold the annual Marblehead High School All Sports Boosters door-to-door canvas on Sunday, October 15, 2023 from 12:00 noon to approximately 3:00 p.m. All in favor.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. Road Salt. Motion made and seconded to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to utilize the Statewide Contract VEH 119 – Road Salt for the 2023-2024 Season and to authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board. All in favor.

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE. Reappointment. Motion made and seconded to reappoint David Donahue as Shellfish Constable with a term to expire in June 2024. All in favor.

LETTERS OF INTEREST. The Board received the following letters of interest: J. Roger Pelliciotti, Finance Committee; David Bitterman, Historical Commission.

LETTER OF SUPPORT. Electrification of school buses statewide. Motion made and seconded to sign onto a letter of support to lobby the Governor for statewide commitment to prioritize school bus electrification by 2023 and to authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board. All in favor.

COFFIN SCHOOL. The Chair provided an update to the Board stating she has reached out to the schools to ask their intention with the Coffin School and has not received a response as of this date. The School Committee voted at their previous meeting to hold onto the Coffin School. Members of the Board expressed their desire that the town seeks advice on the process to move forward with the transfer of this property back to the Town.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Albert Jordan addressed the Board stating his concerns with the Coffin school being empty and the potential safety hazards.

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

- Gallo Hearing – he has received the briefs from both attorneys and he is setting a deadline to make a determination to the Select Board by December 1, 2023 and will ask at that time for the Select Board to schedule a special meeting to hear the determination.
- The following positions have been posted: Sustainability Coordinator, APRA Coordinator, Human Resource Director and Building Commissioner.

SELECT BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS. The Marblehead Ministerial Association will hold an Interfaith Prayer Vigil on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 3:00 pm. At Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 9:55 p.m. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide

List of documents used:

Pikilia Inc. application for license amendments

Resumes: Jessica Norton, Dan Albert, Judith Black, John Bonner, Peter Fleming, Russell King, David Kucharsky, Gary Hebert, Jody Magee, Dan Shuman, Byron Rizos, Rick Smyers.

Preliminary Revenue Forecast

Motion for Overnight Parking Ban

Rotary Club request for Abbot Hall and 1 day license

MHS Booster request