

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

September 22, 2010

Board met in session at 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at Abbot Hall.
Present (constituting a quorum):

James E. Nye, Chairman
Jackie Belf-Becker
Judith R. Jacobi
T. Michael Rockett

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

APPOINTMENT. Chairman Pro-Tem. Motion made and seconded to appoint Jackie Belf-Becker Chairman for the start of the meeting. All in favor.

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from September 8, 2010. 2 in favor. Mrs. Belf-Becker voting present.

MARBLEHEAD CULTURAL COUNCIL. Grant Announcement. Phyllis McCarthy, 10 Cliff Street, Chairman, appeared before the Board to announce that applications for the 2011 grant cycle are now being accepted and all interested artists and performers should submit applications no later than November 15, 2010. Applications are available in Abbot Hall, Selectmen's Office, Abbot Public Library and on line at www.massculture.org and www.marblehead.org.

PERMISSION. MUSCULAR DYSTOPHY ASSOCIATION. Halloween Motorcycle Ride. Beth Ortin, MDA Representative, and Douglas Knowles, President Firefighters Association appeared before the Board seeking permission to hold their 22nd annual MDA Halloween Motorcycle Ride. Motion made and seconded to approve the request to hold the annual MDA Halloween Motorcycle Ride, travelling through Marblehead, on Sunday, October 17, 2010 subject to approval from the Marblehead Police Department with a rain date of Sunday, October 24, 2010. They motorcycle ride will come in from Lynn Shore Drive to Rt. 129 into Swampscott (Humphrey Street) to Maple Street in Marblehead and take a left onto 114 West into Salem. The run will leave Everett at 1:00 p.m. and should arrive in Marblehead at approximately 2:00 p.m. All in favor. The MDA annual "Lock Up" fundraiser will be held at Red Rock Bistro on November 2, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m and the annual Firefighters Chef Cook Off will be held March 19, 2011.

PERMISSION. Use of Abbot Hall. Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Andrew Barnett, Troop 79 BSA, to use Abbot Hall on Saturday, November 20, 2010 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. for an Eagle Scout Court of

Honor subject to the usual rules, regulations, custodial fees and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Abbot Hall. Symphony by the Sea. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Don Puluse to sell water, cookies and coffee before the three previously approved concert dates at Abbot Hall and to serve, without charge, a sparkling wine toast, after the October 2, 2010 concert only, to celebrate the Symphony's 30th Anniversary. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Block Party. Homestead Road. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Kerry Pound, 2 Homestead Road, to block Homestead Road, from Alden to Lindbergh, on Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for a block party. All in favor.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. Letter of Interest. A letter of interest was received from Robert Schaeffner as it relates to serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Board of Selectmen is accepting applications from all interested persons who wish to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Deadline to submit letters is Friday October 8, 2010 at 12:30 p.m. Applicants will be interviewed by the Board on October 13, 2010.

VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE. Solimine, Landergan & Richardson Funeral Homes. The Annual Veterans Memorial Service, held in honor of deceased veterans who have served in the Armed Forces, will be held on Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at Solimine, Landergan & Richardson Funeral Home, 426 Broadway Street, Lynn, MA. Refreshments will be served following the service. Please R.S.V.P. to 781-595-1492.

MADDIE'S SAIL LOFT. A letter was received from Jennifer Fitzgerald, State Street, as it relates to concerns about noise being heard from Maddie's Sail Loft, 15 State Street on Wednesday nights. Motion made and seconded to ask the owner to come before the Board at their next meeting to discuss this. All in favor.

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. Motion made and seconded to refer a letter from Jaime Rodriguez, as it relates to a request for a stop sign at Pond and Orne Street, to the Traffic and Safety Advisory Committee for further review. All in favor.

James E. Nye arrived. Meeting continued with Mr. Nye as Chairman.

RECREATION AND PARKS. Crocker Park. Handicapped Parking. A letter was received from Brendan Egan, Superintendent, advising the Board that at a meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 the Commission voted to recommend the creation of one (1) handicapped parking spot at Crocker Park and to allow vehicle access for the handicapped parking spot. The Board discussed concerns raised by residents relating to safety and location. Motion made and seconded to have the

Town Administrator research the request further. The Board will revisit the request and make a determination at their meeting on October 13, 2010. All in favor.

COUNCIL ON AGING. Interviews. Appointments. Dana Denault, 37 Green Street, Lisa Hooper, 9 Saturn Road and Patricia Richwagon, 12 Leslie Cove appeared before the Board seeking a position on the Council on Aging. All applicants were interviewed by the Board. Motion made and seconded to place all three names into nomination to the Council on Aging. All in favor.

On a polled vote the Board voted as follows:

Mr. Rockett; Patricia Richwagon

Mrs. Jacobi; Dana Denault

Mrs. Belf-Becker; Dana Denault

Mr. Nye; Dana Denault

Dana Denault appointed to the Council on Aging with a term to expire in May 2013.

On a polled vote the Board voted as follows:

Mr. Rockett; Patricia Richwagon

Mrs. Jacobi; Lisa Hooper

Mrs. Belf-Becker; Lisa Hooper

Mr. Nye; Lisa Hooper

Lisa Hooper appointed to the Council on Aging with a term to expire in May 2013.

LEAD MILLS CLEANUP. Woodard & Curran. John Thompson, Woodard & Curran, appeared before the Board, representing NL Industries, to update them on the timeline for the clean up at Lead Mills. The project should be getting underway by mid October. As required by National Marine Fisheries, all work on the water in front of the bike path must be done from mid October to February 14, 2011 due to the spawning cycles of the fish. Work on the water can only be done during high tides. The bike path is expected to be closed for up to 18 months while the work is completed. Residents will be notified of this closure through signs and advertising in the local papers. The contractor to perform most of the cleanup work should be finalized in the next few weeks. The traffic plan will be coordinated between the Marblehead and Salem Police Departments. Mr. Thompson will return to the Board in the near future as more details become available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded in accordance with G. L. c. 30A sec. 21(a)(3) that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation as a open meeting may have a detrimental impact on the litigating position of the Board. Votes may be taken, and if they are, votes will be released at a time deemed appropriate by counsel. The Board will resume in open session. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Rockett, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor; Mr. Nye, in favor.

Motion made and seconded to reconvene in open session at 8:40 p.m. All in favor.

SISTER CITY PARTNERSHIP. Grasse Reactivation Ceremony. Myriam Zuber, Sister City Liaison, appeared before the Board along with Jackie Belf-Becker to make a presentation of the reactivation ceremony they attended in Grasse, France September 10 - 12, 2010 along with ten other members of the delegation. The Sister City Partnership reactivation is now complete and the committee plans to continue working on programs to further the partnership with Grasse. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of appreciation to Gail Gray and the Historical Commission for their generous donation of gifts the delegation took with them to present to the delegation in Grasse. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of appreciation to Gene Arnould for his quick response and expertise in framing a picture for the Grasse reactivation ceremony. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of appreciation to the Senator-Mayor of Grasse thanking him for his hospitality and kind treatment of the delegation during their trip to Grasse. All in favor.

EAGLE SCOUT. Motion made and seconded to invite James Gassler to a future Selectmen's meeting to present his Eagle Scout project to the Board. All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. All in favor.

Administrative Aide
Kyle A. Wiley