

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

March 24, 2021

Board met in session at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM Conferencing:

Jackie Belf-Becker, Chair
M. C. Moses Grader
James E. Nye

Jason Silva, Town Administrator

The Chair called the meeting of Wednesday, March 10, 2021 to order. The following roll call was taken: Mr. Grader, present; Mr. Nye, present; Mrs. Belf-Becker, present.

STATEMENT. The Chair read a statement regarding recent events both locally and nationally stating *“the Board deplors the hate crimes in Georgia, the shooting in Boulder, CO, the audibles of the Duxbury football team and the swastika painted on a rock in the Forest River Conservation Area.....It is overwhelming and we must do better...we are lucky to have numerous groups of dedicated individuals working on the issues and trying to find solutions to these challenging problems.”*

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from March 10, 2021. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. Interview/Appointment. Reece Dahlberg appeared before the Board as it relates to serving on the Task Force against Discrimination. Motion made and seconded to appoint Reece Dahlberg to the Task Force against Discrimination with a term to expire in June 2021. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

REAPPOINTMENT. Inspector of Animals. Motion made and seconded to reappoint Daniel Proulx Inspector of Animals with a term to expire April 30, 2022. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

COMMUNITY GOLF DAY. Motion made and seconded to award the Marblehead Community Counseling Center use of the Tedesco Country Club facilities for Community Golf Day. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. Celebrate Marblehead. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Daniel Brothers, President, Chamber of Commerce, to hold the 7th annual “Celebrate Marblehead” June 11 – October 31, 2021 and to allow the businesses in Town the following considerations subject to receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and compliance with ADA, Fire, Building, Zoning and Health Department requirements and in accordance with all State Guidelines and COVID-19 Safety Protocols:

- **Allow tables and/or displays outside of stores**
 - Business will remain compliant with all ADA, fire, building and zoning codes.
 - Tables and/or displays will allow for the required 36 inches of sidewalk space, excluding curb, for handicapped accessibility requirements.
 - Sidewalk space will allow for 48 inches, however, an unobstructed 36-inch path of travel, excluding curb, will be maintained past any sidewalk obstruction. Such obstructions include but not limited to utility poles, mail boxes, trees and open areas around them, street lights, traffic signal bases and pre-cast foundations and other signal hardware, hydrants, signs and poles.
 - It is preferred that tables and chairs are made of natural materials, ie: wood or metal.
- **Permit outdoor entertainment from Thursday–Sunday from 10 AM–8 PM**
 - Business will remain compliant with all ADA, fire, building and zoning codes.
 - Entertainment will only include small or solo performances without amplification.
- **Restaurant outdoor seating**

A separate application must be submitted to the Board of Selectmen for outdoor restaurant seating.
- **Allow small beautification projects**
 - Business will remain compliant with all ADA, fire, building and zoning codes:
 - i.e. flower pots along sidewalks- placement will allow for the required 36 inches of sidewalk space for handicapped accessibility requirements.

Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM. Motion made and seconded to sponsor Joseph and Lucretia Brown educational program in partnership with the Task Force Against Discrimination, Racial Justice Team, Team Harmony, League of Women Voters, Marblehead Police Department, and Marblehead Museum. Moved by Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Grader. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Grader, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor.

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Robert Dever, Department of Public Works, to declare the following items surplus and no

longer needed for municipal purpose and available for disposition in accordance with MGL Chapter 30B and the Town's policy on surplus equipment: 10 old plows. 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. Belf-Becker, in favor.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION. Letter of Interest. The Board received a letter of interest from Kristopher Meola as it relates to serving on the Conservation Commission.

The Chair read a letter from a resident wishing to publicly thank Janet Parker, Director, Marblehead Food Pantry, for the wonderful work she does.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. 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. Belf-Becker, in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide