

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN – SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
MAY 28, 2019, 6:00 PM
TOWN HALL – JUDGE WELSH ROOM**

Chair Andrews convened the open meeting at 6:00 pm noting the following:

Select Board attending: Chair Cheryl Andrews, Vice Chair Robert Anthony, Members John Golden, Lise King and Louise Venden

Excused:

Other attendees: Acting Town Manager David Gardner and Select Board Secretary Elizabeth Paine

Recorder: Elizabeth Paine

Consent Agenda – Approval without objection required for the following items:

- A. *As Commissioners of the AIDS Memorial Gift Fund (#1144) approve the use of gifted funds to pay \$5,000.00 to Lauren Ewing as the fourth and final payment of the AIDS Memorial design, fabrication, and installation contract.*
- B. *Letter of support non opposition for the Green Harbor Dispensary, Inc., to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary located at 79 Shank Painter Road*

Without objection Chair Andrews waived the reading of the consent items and without further objection declared the consent agenda approved.

1. Public Hearings:

- A. **Economic Development Permit 19-06 – 93 Commercial Street – Relish by Frank Vasello (applicant), on behalf of Jose Rodriguez (owner) to increase the assigned Title 5 flow to the property by 80 gallons per day to add 4 barstools at the existing counter.**

Select Board Member Louise Venden read the public notice.

Frank Vasello, present to request extra gallons to put additional four bar stools in the facility. Relish has three year-round employees. The additional bar stools would allow Relish to extend their season.

Public Statements:

John – I support Franks request.

Renee Silva – I have been going to Relish for 2 decades, it is a wonderful place. I support adding the bar stools.

Select Board Statements:

No comments.

Move that the Select Board vote to approve Economic Development Permit 19-06 for 93 Commercial Street dba Relish, by Frank Vasello (applicant) on behalf of Jose Rodriguez (owner), based on findings that the proposed use is consistent with the criteria set forth in Selectmen’s Policy 2017-03-13, specifically:

- **Projects that are consistent with the Local Comprehensive Plan and**
- **Support, create or enhance year-round employment opportunities/incomes and/or**
- **Support an extended employment season of at least 9 months and/or**
- **Help to diversify Provincetown’s year-round economic base and/or**

subject to the attached permit with conditions as submitted.

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Lise King

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0**

2. Public Statements:

- **Jim King** – I still have not seen anything published for cost cutting for the police station. I support 100% utilizing the VFW site. I have not seen any initiative to see cost cutting. All I have seen are action on how we can finance the additional 4 million dollars. We have the money; we have the building. The VFW building can be expanded and you have the property there to expand and put a fire house there.
- **Rick Cappler** – seeking inclusion for the Wampanoag memorial at the Bas Relief. While the rest of the project is moving forward, the commemorative stone is not. Money has been allocated and we can still follow through with our commitment we made 4 years ago. To date there is not a single sign that commemorates the indigenous people that lived here before we arrived.
- **April Baxter** – here to speak on behalf of the Wampanoag memorial. I want the tribe to be able to speak how they wish to speak. I think it is important that it be a prominent location and not off to the side. I hope this goes well.
- **Isaac Lopez** – speaking on behalf on the Wampanoag memorial. Moved to Provincetown to become a part of the art and gardening. Historically this war started right here in this town, the entire point of the Wampanoag memorial, is to help White America understand the bigger picture. I implore you to look into your hearts and answers our prayers.
- **John P** – I want to say upfront, most people support a Wampanoag memorial, we were told in the beginning of coming up with a location for the memorial. You look at the selection of the site, our task was to identify a site, and up to the Wampanoag to create the memorial. A great memorial makes a statement. It has not been a collaborate effort, to place a tomb stone in front of the bas relief. The memorial is not a celebration of the pilgrim; it is a celebration of the signing of the compact. The design was designed to allow other memorials to be placed on the sides. If it is to be at the Bas Relief, let it be where the committee thinks it should go. It has now become a political statement. There was a process, to me, I really encourage to think about great design. There are opportunities to do great collaboration between the town and Wampanoag, lets to do it thoughtfully. I do support a Wampanoag Memorial, but I support it where the committee wished to place it.
- **Rev. Brenda Haywood** – it is beyond me to see how this has been dragging 5 years. We have asked the nation what they would like to see to commemorate your presence here. It is not about white privilege; it is a culture justice that needs to be done in this town. 400 years is a long time to be recognized as those who welcomed the Pilgrims. We need to open them with an open hand, not a fist.
- **Frank Vasello** – has the select board met with the nation members? Maybe that would help decide.

3. Select Board Member's Statements:

- **Louise Venden** – There has been meeting with the Native. I have written to Provincetown 400 about holding a special event. Went to the Memorial Event, we need to continue to support veterans
- **Robert Anthony** – Addressing the previous speaker, the volunteer fire department may eventually become full time. We just hired a consult to look at housing for the town at the VFW.
- **John Golden** – I agree with the previous speaker. Housing is a very important issue for this town. We also have an inadequate police station. I am not all up on the memorial, but I would like to see some dialog between the nation. I believe is should be at the bas relief.
- **Lise King** – Apologizes for missing the last meeting. The memorial service yesterday was very beautiful. In light of the current conversation, Native Americans have served and died for this nation since before they were allowed to be citizens. I thought it would be apt to recognize the Native American men and women who have served.
- **Cheryl Andrews** – my experience of the memorial service was very different this year; we were there to remember the folks who give their lives. Memorial Day is about remember for what it is for, for those that lost their lives serving in the arms forces. One of the thing I learned about this job, is learning. If nothing else, as this commemoration date approaches, I know a lot more about history than I did before. What a good thing it would be, if would could get it right this time.

4. Joint meeting/Presentations:

A. Town Staff Presentation – Live Demonstration of OpenGov – Financial Transparency site

Lynne Martin, MIS Analysis, presented to the Select Board. Financial Transparency on the Town Website allows the viewer to look at different “stories”. Some of these Stories would bring the viewer to the breakdown, so you can see where the town is spending money, others show the towns revenues. The larger charts are broken down by Fiscal years. All the information is real time, is updated from Munis. Under the highlights, Harbor Hill, the project description, acquisition and renovations schedule as well as financial reports. The board requested staff show how the charts can be broken down and the different views the viewer can look at.

B. Town Staff Presentation - Coastal Resilience Project – Ryder Street Dune Enhancement.

Tim Famulare, Environmental Planner, gave a brief presentation to the Select Board to give an update on the Ryder Street Dune Enhancement project. The project is a protective dune system on approximately 300-foot stretch of the beach. The beach’s grade would be raised higher and the peak of the dune would be 15.5 feet. Public access would still be maintained with two primary access pointes, Moby mats would allow handicap access, fencing would prevent walkers from being on the dune while the grass grows. The dunes will need to be periodically nourished. Permitting is still required as well as Chapter 91 approvals. Property owners will need to sign off on the notice to indent and the chapter 91 application. This is a working process to continue to work with the property owners and get their consent. The board asked about giving additional measuring lines to allow owners to have better visual representation. The height will allow some eroding without breaching the dune. The board mentioned, it may be time to start preparing property owners to start looking at the long term planning, and where would be the threshold be, the town would have to do decide it needs to act in the best interest of the town. The board also inquired about different areas in town that might benefit from similar projects. Discussion ensued.

5. Appointments:

A. Year Round Market Rate Rental Housing Trust – Select Board Member Louise Venden

Select Board Venden has applied to be on the trust. The Board decided to discuss the role of the appointee at a later meeting.

Move that the Select Board vote to appoint Louise Venden as the Select Board representative to the Year Round Market Rate Rental Housing Trust with a term to expire on December 31, 2019.

Motion: John Golden Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0

6. Requests:

A. Wampanoag Memorial – Project Review, Design and Location

Select Board Venden requested this item so that the Board could schedule the public hearing to allow the public to discuss the Wampanoag Memorial.

Move that the Select Board schedule a public hearing.

Motion: Lise King Seconded: Robert Anthony

For discussion:

CA – I wish the Board of Selectmen had invited the representative from the tribe to have a discussion about the memorial. I am just wondering how we would go forward with a public discussion with the tribe.

LK – When I was appointed, I went back and spoke with Michelle to see where this started. This originally was a private

proposed and went to be a municipal project, which is where the confusion occurred. What is the proper process, who do we work with or do we try to work with Linda Coombs, and location and design? This is a municipal project, and the tax payer has the right to comment on the project.

RA – it just seems like everything is floating out there and what are we going to have the public hearing on. Obviously that decision has been made already.

CA – my question is to whether we would be developing the relationship with the nation.

LV – we need to have an agenda item where we reach out to get people from the nation. I think we need to have these people here, I don't know the structure of the nation and how they form these committees. We are not ready to put this out to the public, we don't have enough information. I don't understand the structure of how this came about. We need to find out more about and have who every you think is the decision maker.

LK – this project has been become one of opposition.

JG – this thing will never be seen front and center, as a town and from a design sense it should be on the side. The whole idea of it going front and center. The best thing to do is to stop having a judgmental thing about. This monument is being added to it and make it the best possible place for.

CA – I would love to something grand at the first landing park.

DG – I will have to talk to staff and town counsel and look at the procurement process for commissioning an art piece.

LK – withdraw motion.

Move that the Select Board Direct Acting Town Manager David Gardner to look into the procurement process thus far and report back.

Motion: Lise King Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0**

B. Police Station – follow up to May 24, 2019 discussion.

Item was tabled. Noted the cover sheet also was incorrect; Miss King was not in attendance.

C. June 24, 2019 Special Town Meeting – Open, Approve and Close Warrant

Finance Director Josee Young gave the board an update on the YRMRRHT response to the Boards request. They will be sponsoring the article along with the BOS. Michelle will be contacting the architect to figure out what their best advice for the contingency be. The motion will also include not releasing the money if additional units are rented. The board and staff discussed being clear what the reasons are for the request and what the annual subsidy with be.

MOVE that the Select Board vote to open the warrant for the Special Town Meeting to be held on June 24, 2019

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0**

MOVE that the Select Board vote to insert Article(s) #1 through # 6 into the June 24, 2019 Special Town Meeting Warrant as amended forthwith.

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0**

Abstain: 0

Move that the Select Board vote to move article 5 – harbor hill, to the beginning of the warrant to become Article 1.

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Robert Anthony

**In Favor: 4
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 1(ca)**

MOVE that the Select Board vote to close the warrant for the June 24, 2019 Special Town Meeting.

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0**

MOVE that the Select Board vote to approve the warrant for the June 24, 2019 Special Town Meeting for posting and publication as presented.

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: Robert Anthony

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0**

D. BOS Goals Draft Review – Schedule Public Hearing

The Board discussed the proposed additions and deletions proposed by the by the Board with staff. Staff will return with a cleaner version for the Board to review at the June 10th meeting.

MOVE that the Select Board vote to schedule the BOS Goals public hearing for July 8, 2019

Motion: Seconded:

VOTED

**In Favor:
Opposed:
Abstain:**

7. Town Manager / Assistant Town Manager:

A. Town Manager’s Report

Acting Town Manager David Gardner gave a brief summary on the Town Manager’s Report as well as giving an update which included going to bid for trash pickup, the state update on the home rule petition for charter changes, and a broken pipe. He agreed to follow up with his comments in writing.

Select Member Golden asked about installing a kiosk and put in paid parking. Acting Town Manager David Gardner, we would have to identify funds to move forward with redeveloping the park which would come with a full plan to include parking. Select Member king asked Mr. Gardner to add the transportation notation to the goals.

8. Minutes: Approve minutes of previous meetings.

**Motion: Move that the Select Board approve the minutes of:
May 13, 2019 5 pm (Special) [x] as printed [] with changes so noted**

May 13, 2019 6 pm (Regular) [x] as printed [] with changes so noted

Motion: Louise Venden Seconded: John Golden
VOTED

In Favor: 5
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0

9. Closing Statements/Administrative Updates:

- Louise Venden – someone had said Nauset had purchased two electric busses.
- Robert Anthony –
- John Golden –
- Lise King – congratulation to all the seniors graduating.
- Cheryl Andrews –.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm

Minutes transcribed by: Elizabeth Paine

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