

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN – SELECT BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 8, 2021, 6:00 PM  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

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

Excused:

Other attendees: Interim Town Manager Charles Sumner, and Select Board Secretary Elizabeth Paine

Recorder: Elizabeth Paine

Chair Abramson convened the open meeting at 6:00 pm

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

- A. **Renew Interim Town Manager Charles Sumner’s contract for an additional 6 weeks.**
- B. **Authorize Assistant Town Manager David Gardner to execute the contract for the Waterfront Park due to Interim Town Manager Charlie Sumner’s conflict of interest.**

Without objection Chair David Abramson waived the reading of the consent items and without further objection moved to approve.

**Motion: David Abramson**

**Second: Lise King**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Chair David Abramson: Aye**

**Vice Chair John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: Aye**

**1. Public Statements – Three (3) minutes maximum. Select Board Members do not respond during public statements**

- **Caroline Kramer** – Provincetown Tax Payer; upset about the behavior of the Finance Chair and the moderator accepting this behavior.
- **Pat Miller** – Upset there was no announcement of the vacancy on FINCOM made publicly. FINCOM chair made public derogatory comments about a female considering applying to licensing board, very upset about it.

**2. Select Board Member’s Opening Statements – Five (5) minutes maximum.**

- **Lise King** – Frustrated over the vaccine rollout. For people who need help getting registered for the vaccine can call the COA to help walk you through the process, as well as the Barnstable County Health Help line, and MRC Helpline. For those who are feeling stressed, there is a zoom conference call sponsored by local health professional on Fridays. COVID Task force also provides support for deliveries if you are in quarantine.
- **Robert Anthony** – no comment today.
- **Louise Venden** – We have dropped back down to 2 active cases of COVID. We are getting through it. Tonight, we will be discussing Code of Conduct, I hope people have a chance to look at it. The board is

also going to be reviewing budgets this evening.

- **John Golden** – Numbers do seem to be doing pretty good.
- **David Abramson** – Will save my comments for this agenda items this evening.

**3. Appointments – (Votes may be taken on the following interviews)**

**A. Historic District Commission Alternate – Anthony Iannacci**

Mr. Iannacci became a full time Provincetown resident about 6 months. Recently retired and feels as though he should participate in preserving the communities' esthetics. He has a background in art criticism and architecture and design. The Select Board members thanked Mr. Iannacci's willingness to serve.

**Move that the Select Board appoint Anthony Iannacci as an alternate member of the Historic District Commission with a term to expire on December 31, 2021.**

**Motion: David Abramson**

**Second: Lise King**

**Roll Call Vote**

**David Abramson: Aye**

**John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: Aye**

**4. Joint Meeting/Presentations/Requests – (Votes may be taken on the following items):**

**A. Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Presentations:**

**1. FY2022 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET – Water Superintendent**

Water Superintendent Cody S presented the Water Enterprise Budget to the Select Board.

**2. FY2022 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND CIP - Water Superintendent**

Water Superintendent Cody S presented the Water Enterprise Fund CIP.

**3. FY2022 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET – Director of Public Works**

Director of Public Works Richard Waldo presented the Wastewater Enterprise Fund Budget.

**4. FY2022 PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET - Director of Public Works**

Director of Public Works Richard Waldo presented the Public Works Budget.

**5. FY2022 PUBLIC WORKS CIP - Director of Public Works**

Director of Public Works Rickard Waldo presented the Public Works CIP requests.

**6. FY2022 POLICE BUDGET – Chief of Police**

Chief of Police Jim Golden presented the Police Budget

## **7. FY2022 POLICE CIP – Chief of Police**

Chief of Police Jim Golden presented the Police CIP

### **B. Presentation of Police Station status update**

Director of Public Works Richard Waldo gave a summarized presentation on the police station development update. Interim Town Manager Charlie Sumner spoke about having the Select Board more involved at each step. Staff would be working on coming back with a presentation to begin the process of moving the project along.

### **C. Refer draft Code of Conduct to Board and Committee Members to solicit feedback.**

**Move that the Select Board vote to refer the Policy Code of Conduct for Boards/Commissions/Committees to Board and Committee members to solicit feedback.**

**Motion: David Abramson**

**Second: John Golden**

For Discussion:

Member Venden and Member King expressed concerns soliciting feedback from all the board and committee members. Vice Chair Golden and Member Anthony supported soliciting feedback.

### **Roll Call**

**David Abramson: Aye**

**John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: No**

## **5. Town Manager Administrative Matters – Topics to include but not limited to: (Votes may be taken on the following items):**

### **1. Town Manager’s Report**

Interim Town Manager Charlie Sumner gave the Select Board a highlighted summary of the Town Manager’s report.

## **6. Minutes – (Votes May Be Taken)**

### **1. January 25, 2021 6 pm**

**Move that the Select Board approve the minutes of:**

**January 25, 2021 6 pm (Regular) [ ] as printed [x] with changes so noted**

**Motion: David Abramson**

**Second: Robert Anthony**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Chair David Abramson: Aye**

**Vice Chair John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: Aye**

**7. Select Board Closing Matters - Topics to Include but not limited to: (Votes May be taken on the following items)**

- **Lise King** – There is a stress help line to help the residents of Provincetown. 508-309-5848, you can call or text. I agree with John, we need to be more kind to everyone.
- **Robert Anthony** – All set.
- **Louise Venden** – I agree with John, that we have spent so much time around the behavior of the FINCOM. The Board has some important things we need to do, my hope is the board will continue to focus on the police station and the budget.
- **John Golden** – All set
- **David Abramson** – All set.

**8. Executive Session Motion**

**MOVE that the Select Board vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to MGL c30A Section 21 (a) Claus (1) and (7) (Open Meeting Law) for the purpose of:**

Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(1), To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual

Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L c. 30A, §21(a)(7), To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements.

and to convene in open session thereafter.

**Roll Call Vote: David Abramson: Aye**  
**Robert Anthony: Aye**  
**John Golden: Aye**  
**Lise King: Aye**  
**Louise Venden: Aye**

**The Board went into executive session at 9:37 pm**

**The Board went into open session at 10:09 pm**

**Move that the Interim Town Manager finalize the Board's response to the Open Meeting Law complaint filed by Mr. Del Franco with Town Counsel consistent with the Board's discussion tonight and issue such response to Mr. Del Franco and the Division of Open Government in response to the complaint.**

**Motion: David Abramson**

**Second: Louise Venden**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Chair David Abramson: Aye**

**Vice Chair John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: Aye**

**Chair David Abramson motioned to adjourn**

**Second: Louise Venden**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Chair David Abramson: Aye**

**Vice Chair John Golden: Aye**

**Robert Anthony: Aye**

**Lise King: Aye**

**Louise Venden: Aye**

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 pm**

**Minutes transcribed by: Elizabeth Paine**