

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN – SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 28, 2021, 6:00 PM
TOWN HALL – JUDGE WELSH ROOM**

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

Excused:

Other attendees: Town Manager Alex Morse

Recorder: Elizabeth Paine

Chair Abramson convened the open meeting at 6:00 pm

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

- A. As Commissioners of the Harbor Access Gift Fund (#1613), pursuant to MGL C44 § 53A, to approve the use of gifted funds to pay an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to replace and add educational, warning, and access signage as recommended by the Harbor Committee.*
- B. Reappoint the Following Board and Committee, and Commission Members to an additional three-year term all to expire on June 30, 2024.*
 - a. Animal Welfare Committee: Loretta Butehorn, Russell Dutra, and Barbara Murphy.*
 - b. ~~Community Housing Council: Kristin Hatch~~*
 - c. Economic Development Committee: Rita Schwartz*
 - d. Human Service Committee: Joseph Murphy and Donna Cooper*
 - e. ~~Recreation Commission: Kristin Hatch~~*
- C. Appoint alternative member Corinne Diana as a regular member to the Licensing Board with a term to expire on December 31, 2022.*
- D. Appoint alternative member Barbara Yates as a regular member to the Council on Aging with a term to expire on December 31, 2022.*
- E. Appoint Alfred Famiglietti as regular member of the Local Comprehensive Plan with a term to expire on December 31, 2023.*
- F. Approve application for a Land Grant to the Mass. Div. of Conservation Services – Environmental Planner and Conservation Agent Timothy J. Famulare*
- G. ~~Appoint Daniel Hammond as a regular member to the Community Preservation Committee with a term to expire on June 30, 2021.~~*
- H. Continued from June 14, 2021 Select Board Meeting: Amend Beach Seating License for Sal’s Restaurant at 99 Commercial Street.*
- I. Amend Saki License to utilize Town Hall Lawn for outside seating to allow Mama Match to use the space between 8 am and 11 am.*
- J. ~~Acknowledge and adopt “hybrid” meetings and public hearings pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021.~~*
- K. Approve the 90 day extension of the Harbormaster’s Services Agreement.*

00E, and 00H where pulled by Select Board Member Louise Venden.

With those items removed, without objection Chair Abramson declared the consent agenda approved.

00E – Member Venden requested more information that listed the existing members and how many seats are available.

Move that the Select Board appoint Alfred Famiglietti as a regular member to the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

Motion: Louise Venden

Second: John Golden

VOTED

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

00H – Member Venden requested this be pull as she believes the item should be continued again until the Land Court makes it findings in clarifying of the judgement.

Move that the Select Board vote to continue issue 00H until we get clarification of decision from the land court on the issue at hand.

Motion: Louise Venden

Second: John Golden

VOTED

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

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

- **Chris Mathieson:** 1 Winthrop Street – spoke about green houses gases and would like the Select Board allocate more money towards climate change precautions in order to protect ourselves. Would like to see a committee and more staff designated towards working on these issues.
- **Speaker:** Feels we are in a crisis with housing and believes this should be the number one over arching goal for the Select Board.
- **Scott Van Hove:** Would like to see Broadband also included in the Goals.

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

- **Leslie Sandberg** – Good evening to my colleagues, thank you to everyone listening in and there is nothing else I would like to add tonight. Thank you.
- **John Golden** – I am good, thank you very much, it is good to be here in person.
- **Louise Venden** – Thank you, also very glad we are meeting in person. Leslie has proven to be a contributory in a very positive way, and I continue to be crabby. I hope everyone continue to work to calm situations in restaurants as there is a level happening. It is a very stressful year and there is not enough staff.
- **Robert Anthony:** thank you I am all set. It seems we never left.
- **David Abramson:** I think the hybrid meetings will be a good way to allow people to participate.

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

- A. Provincetown Chamber of Commerce Representative on the Visitor Services Board: Susan Avellar (Reappointment)**

Susan Avellar was present at the meeting. This is her second three-year term. The Board thanked her for reapplying and ask thought on the direction on how the VSB is handling the promotion of the Town. Thinks the Town needs to make a broader effort to being welcoming.

Move that the Select Board appoint Susan Avellar as the Provincetown Chamber of Commerce Representative on the Visitor Services Board with a term to expire on June 30, 2024.

**Motion: Louise Venden
Second: Leslie Sandberg**

VOTED

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

B. Harbor Committee: Elise Cozzi (Reappointment)

Ms. Cozzi was not present for the meeting. Item continued to 07/12/21.

4. 7 PM Public Hearings – (Votes may be taken on the following items):

- A. Continued Public Hearing from June 14, 2021 - Economic Development Permit 20-2002 –The Mews, 429 Commercial Street, by New Hop Holdings LLC (owner), to increase the assigned Title 5 flow to the existing property by 805 gallons per day to add 23 additional Seats.**

Assistant Town Manager David Gardner highlighted the State of Limited capacity’s expansion to 3000 gallons. There are still 1600 gallons available. The request tonight is 805 gallons. Applicant Ron Robin was present at the meeting, he is requested an increase to allow for the addition of 23 seats to create a lounge area in the upstairs of the main restaurant.

Public Comment: None

Move that the Select Board vote to approve Economic Development Permit 20-2002 for Ron Robin (owner) on behalf of New Hop Holdings LLC (The Mews) based on findings that the proposed use is consistent with the criteria set forth in Selectmen’s Policy 2019-09-23, subject to the attached permit with conditions as submitted.

**Motion: John Golden
Second: Robert Anthony**

VOTED

**In Favor: 5
Oppose: 0
Abstain: 0**

5. Town Manager’s Report

Town Manager Alex Morse gave the board a summarized update on the departmental bi-weekly report.

6. Requests – (Votes may be taken on the following items):

A. Housing Update – Town Manager Alex Morse and Finance Director Josee Young

Town Manager Alex Morse and Finance Director Josee Young discussed with the Board different ways the Town can capture additional revenues and allocate those funds towards housing. Excess funds would be calculated as Free Cash and the Town would have to present an article at Town Meeting to appropriate and transfer those funds. Calculated increases in FY2022 will project FY2023 revenue and may be used for appropriations/transfer in the FY2023 budget. Staff and the Board discussed the process of evaluating.

B. Continued from June 14, 2021 Select Board Meeting: Acceptance of the Secretary to the Select Board’s evaluation – Presented by Vice Chair John Golden and Member Louise Venden

The Select Board discussed their concerns with changing the job description and grade separate from the other position. Chair Abramson suggested including the Secretary to the Select Board position in the upcoming compensation and salary study.

Move that the Select Board accept and receive the Select Board Secretary's evaluation.

Motion: Leslie Sandberg

Second: Robert Anthony

VOTED

In Favor: 5

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Move that the Select Board include the Secretary to the Select Board position in the upcoming compensation and salary study that the Town will be conducting and report the findings and recommendations back to the Select Board.

Motion: Leslie Sandberg

Second: Robert Anthony

VOTED

In Favor: 4

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1 (LV)

C. Continue from 5 pm meeting: Town Goals/Select Board Goals and Town Manager Goals and review of Departmental Goals for FY22, 23 and 24

Town Manager Alex Morse and the Board continued discussing the Town Goals/Select Board Goals.

7. Minutes – (Votes May Be Taken)

1. June 14, 2021 6 PM Regular Meeting

2. June 16, 2021 4 PM Special Meeting

Move that the Select Board approve the minutes of:

June 14, 2021 6 pm (Regular) [x] as printed [] with changes so noted

June 16, 2021 4 pm (Special) [x] as printed [] with changes so noted

Motion: David Abramson

Second: John Golden

VOTED

In Favor: 5

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

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

- **Leslie Sandberg** – Thank you everyone for a productive meeting. IT is nice to see everyone in person. It is good to be done before 9.
- **John Golden** – I want to second Ms. Venden’s comments about being kind to everyone out on the street. We are shorted staffed. Be kind.
- **Louise Venden** – All Set.
- **Robert Anthony** – I want to thank everyone for a robust meeting.
- **David Abramson** – It was a good discussion. Thank you. I think it will help everyone work together. To what John has said, I am just amazed how everyone is driving on Bradford Street. It is just nuts. People just need to slow down and be mindful.

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Leslie Sandberg

VOTED

In Favor: 5

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Meeting ended at 8:44 pm

Minutes transcribed by Elizabeth Paine