



Town of Dartmouth
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 DARTMOUTH TOWN HALL

Select Board Members Present:

Stanley Mickelson - Chair
 Frank Gracie- Vice Chair
 Shawn McDonald
 David Tatelbaum
 John Haran

The Chair opened the public meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The Chair called the public meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on November 04, 2019 in room 304.

- 5:30 p.m Meeting Starts in Room 301
- 5:30 p.m. Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Sec. 21.
(See attached agenda)
- 6:30 p.m. Open Meeting Reconvened in Room 304
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Moment of Silence
Signing of the Warrant

I. Appointments:

- 6:30 p.m. Hearing-Eversource - 1 purposed pole and 1 conduit location(s) at 1194 Horseneck Road, Dartmouth

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to approve.

The select board has asked Eversource to contact the town to set up a meeting to come in and speak regarding the ongoing situation in town in the area of 172 Rockland St.

- 6:32 p.m. Historical Commission Appointment – James O’Day

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to appoint.

6:33 p.m. Hearing- Change of License - 123 MacArthur Drive Hospitality D/B/A Thirsty Whale. New Manager will be Stacy Lee Oliveira

This item has been continued until the next meeting

6:35 p.m. One Day Beer & Wine License for DNRT to be held on November 2nd at Destruction Brook Woods, 201 Slades Corner Road, Dartmouth

After a motion was made by Selectman John Haran, and seconded by Vice- Chair Frank Gracie, it was voted unanimously to approve.

6:40 p.m. Conservation Restriction (3) - 205 Bakerville Road, Dartmouth and 105 Jordon Road # 94 and #95

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to approve.

6:41 p.m. Change of Manager- Mormax Corporation D/B/A BJ's Wholesale, 460 State Road, Dartmouth. New Manager will be Caitlyn Fians

After a motion was made by Selectman John Haran, and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve.

6:42 p.m. Change of Officers and Directors- CEC Entertainment D/B/A Chuck E Cheese, 412-418 State Road, Dartmouth

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to approve.

6:43 p.m. Class II License, George Elkosseifi- Zoe Inc. D/B/A Better Auto, 590 Dartmouth Street, Dartmouth

After a motion was made by Selectman John Haran, and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve.

II. New Business:

A. Annual Re-Appointments

Cultural Council- Donna Huse- (This is a late submittal from June)

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to appoint.

- B. Authorization to Short-Term Borrow \$1,297,895 through Massachusetts Clean Water Trust for Aeration System and Chloramination Improvements to Reduce Total Trihalomethane Levels

After a motion was made by Vice- Chair Frank Gracie, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to authorize the short term borrowing.

- C. Seaport Economic Council Grant-Waterways- Dias Landing

This item has been postponed.

III. Old Business:

- A. Bliss Corner Update- After the last meeting the Town Administrator has met with the Board of Health Director, Christopher Michaud and he has been going through files and is now searching the minutes of the Select Board. All minutes from the given time frame have been scanned into the system and indexed and can be searched more effectively. Christopher Michaud has been in contact with MassDEP regarding the time he is going to need to search the remaining records and they are ok with waiting for his submittal.
- B. New Building Construction Updates- Books are going to be moved into the new library on November 13th. There has not been a grand opening date set but they are anticipating a soft opening in the near future.
- C. Cecil Smith/Mary Robinson Property- No new updates
- D. Lake Noquochoke- No new updates
- E. Fishing Pier- Deborah Wender, Director of Development has been in contact with the Division of Marine Fisheries, and the town has replied back to the contract that they sent us with some comments and we are just waiting to hear back from them on the comments that the town made.

IV. Minutes:

October 1, 2019 at the High School

October 7, 2019

After a motion was made by Vice- Chair Frank Gracie, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted 4-0-1 to approve the minutes listed above. Selectman Shawn McDonald abstained.

V. **Information:**

The Board would like to thank the public for its attendance at the Police Station Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Chairman Stanley Mickelson thanked the public and said that the ribbon cutting was very well received.

A special thank you to all the Dartmouth Police Department Staff that gave their time on their day off both uniformed and the office staff.

Chairman Stanley Mickelson said that the Select Board would like to thank all of the Police Department staff for giving their time to make the day a success.

MASS DEP has awarded the Town of Dartmouth Recycling Dividends Program funds under the Sustainable Materials Recovery Program. The town has earned 15 points and will receive \$27,000.

Dartmouth Public School "Indian" logo/name; Wampanoag Tribe Collaboration

Select Board member Shawn McDonald addressed his frustration with the Standard Times about an article that was published regarding the Letter: "How can Dartmouth respect a people and ignore their voices"? He said the editor should check the facts before publishing an article.

Shawn McDonald stated the following:

- The article goes back to "old hearsay" and is wrong.
- The hearsay being that the existing site of the Dartmouth High School was bulldozed and built on a former burial ground for the indigenous people in this area.
- If the Standard Times went back into their own archives, when this site was being anticipated for the High School, Brona Simon, Executive Director Massachusetts Historical Commission and John "Jim" Peters Jr, Executive Director of the State Commission on Indian Affairs both visited the site at the time.
- Selectman Shawn McDonald, Carlos Ventura, and Manny Cordeiro, the school business administrator, along with the person from Fall River that had made the original allegations were all present when Mrs. Simon and Mr. Peters indicated that there was no evidence of an Indian burial ground at all.
- For the Standard Times to publish this letter that indicates the town bulldozed these sights is totally erroneous.
- The article was a slap in the face to the people who fought hard for the High School and to the community.
- The same individual to make the allegations of the high school being a former burial ground also made allegations that Shawn McDonald was mocking the Indian tribe during a meeting to discredit him.
- Selectman Shawn McDonald would like an apology from the Standard Times.
- The Select Board has requested that a letter be sent to the Standard Times regarding their thoughts on the matter.

After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by Selectman John Haran, it was voted unanimously to adjourn.

Attest:



Shawn MacInnes, Town Administrator

Transcribed by: Melanie Perry