

Select Board Minutes

May 11, 2021

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Virtual Meeting – 143TV and Zoom.

Select Board: Diane Kennedy, Chair
Keri Thompson
Paul Schubert
Jack Creighton
Corey Evans

Others Participating: Christopher Senior, Town Manager

Chairperson Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked for a Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye.

Chairperson Kennedy asked for a motion to go into Executive Session Exemption #3 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. The Board will discuss Conservation Matters. Motion moved by Select Member Schubert, seconded by Select Member Thompson. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.
The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:15 p.m.

Public Comments-None

Public Hearing Cohasset Pub Corps., d/b/a Mr. Dooley's-Chairperson Kennedy read Hearing on whether the G.L. c. 138, §12 On Premises, All Alcohol Restaurant License for Cohasset Pub Corps., d/b/a Mr. Dooley's Old Village Pub, 9 Depot Court, Cohasset, MA 02025, should be modified, suspended, cancelled, revoked, declared forfeited and/or otherwise affected under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations, for failure to conduct the business, failure to have immediately surrendered its license and physically deliver it to the Board after ceasing to conduct the licensed business, failure to exercise the license, failure to have a suitable location to conduct the business and non-compliance with the applicable alcohol licensing laws of the Commonwealth and the Town of Cohasset. **Chairperson Kennedy opened the hearing and asked for a Roll Call Vote; Corey Evans-Present, Diane Kennedy-Present, Paul Schubert-Present, Keri Thompson-Present.**

Attorney Jim Lampke swore in Noelle Somers Director of Cohasset Pubs Corp. d/b/a Mr. Dooley's Old Village Pub. Her attorney John Connell was present. Ms. Somers confirmed that Mr. Dooley's last day of operation was March 17, 2021 and they vacated the premises on March 31, 2021. They are actively looking for another location to use the license in Cohasset. They hope to run the same type of pub style business. Attorney Connell stated the licensee is looking to be allowed 6 months to find a new location pursuant to G.L. c. 138 § 77. He asked that the Board permit Mr. Dooley's until October 31, 2021 the opportunity to transfer the license. They hope to find a location before that time. The Board had a brief discussion. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to move to advise the licensee that if the license is not exercised and in operation by the October 31, 2021 date requested by the licensee or sooner, a hearing will be held shortly after that date, for which you will receive notice, as to whether your**

license should be modified, suspended, revoked, canceled or declared forfeited or other appropriate administrative action be taken, including for non-use, not having a location approved by the LLA and the ABCC from which to exercise the license and/or for other lawful reasons. The LLA is giving you at least six month notice that you must secure a place approved by the LLA and the ABCC from which to operate your license and be in operation or transfer your license to a licensee approved by the Town and the ABCC or turn in the license, or the LLA will hold a hearing or hearings as stated; and that the licensee be further advised that the LLA reserves all of its rights, claims and remedies, including calling for a hearing sooner than the six months, seconded by Select Member Evans. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.

Pledge of License-Red Lion Inn-Alex Marconi was present on behalf of the Red Lion Inn. Attorney Lampke swore Mr. Marconi in. Mr. Marconi stated they are looking for approval for the Pledge of License as part of their mortgage with Pilgrim Bank, which is a standard procedure. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to move to approve the application for a pledge of the alcohol license held by the Red Lion Inn Operating LLC, dba Red Lion Inn to the Abington Bank, subject to the proviso that the pledgee may not use the license without the prior approval of the Town and the ABCC following a proper application and hearing, seconded by Select Member Evans. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Public Hearing-National Grid/MA Electric Pole Hearing-Jerusalem Road-Director of DPW Brian Joyce explained there are wires that are held up by a dead tree and the tree needs to be removed and they need to install a pole at 666 Jerusalem Road. Jose Vazquez was present on behalf of National Grid. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to approve the installation of a pole at 666 Jerusalem Road as presented, seconded by Select Member Evans. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Permits/Events-Farmers Market-Jennifer Oram stated the application has been completed and vetted. They have met all the requirements. **Motion by Select Member Thompson to approve the kickoff of the Cohasset Farmers Market for 5/29/2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 pm, seconded by Select Member Schubert. Roll Call Vote; Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.** Jack Creighton was not present for the vote. **Motion by Select Member Thompson to approve the Cohasset Farmers Market for June 3rd to October 7th on Thursdays from 2-6 p.m., seconded by Select Member Schubert. Roll Call Vote; Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.** Jack Creighton was not present for the vote.

Red Carpet Ceremony Pre-Prom-Kimberly Albanese was present on behalf of the Pre-Prom Committee. She reviewed the plan for the event. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to approve the Pre-Prom Red Carpet Ceremony on Friday, May 21 from 2-7:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Sailing Club, seconded by Select Member Thompson. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Memorial Day Events-VSO Phil Mahoney reviewed the schedule of events for Memorial Day. **Motion by Select Member Thompson to approve the Memorial Day Events as presented, seconded by Select Member Creighton. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Temporary Use of the Town Common Policy-Select Member Evans stated he had more discussions with different groups in town. The goal is to help local businesses and provide physical space outdoors for

residents. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to approve the Cohasset Get Outside 2021-Common Use Policy as presented, seconded by Select Member Thompson. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Annual Town Meeting Update-Vote-Article 19-Debt Authorization for South Shore Vo Tech-Mr. Senior advised the Board the South Shore Vo Tech has reduced their funding request from \$18,960,537 to \$10,516,372. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to recommend Article #19 Debt Authorization for South Shore Vo Tech for \$10,516,372, seconded by Select Member Thompson. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Article #11 Allocation of Funds for One Time Cost-Conveyor System for Harbor-Mr. Senior advised the Board there is an additional project for a Conveyor System for the Harbor. The Harbor Committee has unanimously approved it. This will be in the Town Manager's Motions not in the Warrant. The Board can vote on this at ATM. **Motion by Select Member Schubert to recommend Article #11 Allocation of Funds for One Time Cost-Conveyor System for Harbor for an amount to be determined at ATM, seconded by Select Member Evans. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.**

Memorial Tree Bench Policy-Discussion and Vote-Chairperson Kennedy advised the Board that she and Select Member Thompson worked on editing the policy. The policy basically allows a person to donate money to the Town in honor of a Cohasset resident for a tree or bench. Select Member Thompson stated the policy was drafted with existing policies in place in other cities/towns. The Board had a brief discussion and agreed to vote on the policy at the next meeting.

Legal RFQ-Discussion and Vote of Process-Contracts/Procurement & Contracts Manager Michelle Leary Advised the Board they have received 5 responses to the RFQ. They are looking to form a committee for the review of them. She suggested on May 25th the Board finalize questions to be sent to the firms, finalize the interview protocol, and finalize invitations for the selected firms. The Board had a lengthy discussion. Tom Callahan of 35 Hillside Drive asked if the land use boards can have access to the responses and suggested some questions they may want to include. Jean Healey Dippold of 93 S. Main Street suggested a structured interview process and a consistent rating process. She further stated it is important to have benchmarks and verifiable information for each firm.

Town Managers Update-Mr. Senior stated absentee and vote by mail ballots are now available. The Town received information from the Norfolk County Commissioners regarding the distribution of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds. He will continue to monitor.

Select Board Comments-Select Member Creighton stated spring is here and Memorial Day is coming and events on the Common will be starting again. There was great cooperation between and police, fishermen, and lobstermen down in the harbor. Select Member Evans reminded everyone of the Town Hall Renovation Public Forum on Thursday, May 13th at 7 p.m. for everyone to get information on Town Hall. There was also a lengthy Q & A in the Cohasset Mariner. He will be releasing a video to educate and bring clarity on how the Town Hall project will be paid for. His goal is to keep everyone informed. This week is National Prevention Week. Safe Harbor has been sending information out about underage drinking and drug use. All this information is on their website. Select Member Schubert stated as the harbor opens everyone is going to want to be on the water. There will be boaters, kayakers, sailors and fishermen and everyone should be careful. Pfizer has now released vaccines for 12-15-year-old children. Today there was zero Covid deaths for the first time. Select Member Thompson encouraged

everyone to check out the new Cohasset Pride website, cohassetprideproject.com, for upcoming events and merchandise. Chairperson Kennedy stated town boards and committees have many openings for the upcoming June appointments. The School Facilities Committee needs members. She encourages everyone to apply. The Recreation Commission will be discussing the field analysis at their next meeting.

Motion by Select Member Creighton to adjourn, seconded by Select Member Schubert. Roll Call Vote; Jack Creighton-Aye, Corey Evans-Aye, Diane Kennedy-Aye, Paul Schubert-Aye, Keri Thompson-Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Kennedy, Chair

Documents

Mr. Dooley's-public hearing re; liquor license
Red Lion Inn-Pledge of License application
Cohasset Farmer's Market application
Red Carpet Ceremony application
Memorial Day Events schedule
Temporary Use of Common policy
Memorial Tree & Bench Policy
Legal RFQ-schedule of process