

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

JANUARY 20, 2020

Present: Aboul B. Khan
Theresa A. Kyle
Ella M. Brown
William Manzi

10:00AM

Mr. Khan opened the meeting at 10:03AM.

PUBLIC HEARING - DUNE PROJECT

Mr. Khan opened the public hearing at 10:05AM. Mr. Manzi read the public hearing notice into the record (see attached).

Henry Boyd spoke about the project for the dune at 6 Manchester Street. The dune over time has grown about 8-feet higher than it should be. They are looking for a letter from the board allowing the resident to work on town property. If they do not agree he will continue with this project but just on his own property. The sand will be removed from the site they will not use it anywhere else on the beach.

These types of projects are monitored by a DES wetland scientist for 3-years after the completion of the project. Part of the permit is to have this project monitored for 3 years after completion. The property owner is willing to put up a bond is within a reasonable time.

Mark West DES scientist spoke to the project and said all reports will go directly to the conservation commission. He said he can forward to the selectmen as well. Mr. Manzi said if the board seeks a bond he would work with Henry Boyd and TEC to get to an amount that is acceptable to the board and the property owner.

Dean Koravos property owner spoke and said by him doing this allows him to do better in protecting his property. He said other property owners have easy access to the beach and in his property it is greatly increased due to the dune growth. Mr. Khan requested if anything changes in the project that they bring it forward to the board in a public meeting.

Mr. Khan closed the public hearing at 10:37AM.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan
Second: Theresa A. Kyle
Unanimous

To approve the project with the town manager to oversee the project with bond amount and length and the scientist to

send a letter that he will be overseeing this project for 3 years after completion.

MONTHLY MEETING - FIRE CHIEF

Chief Bill Edwards was present and went through his report (see attached). He said yearly they are seeing a 4-6% increase in calls for service.

MEETING - RECREATION DIRECTOR

Katie Duffey was present and said she is looking to surplus a pool table from the game room. By removing this item it would allow them to update the room to engage the teen population which is the toughest group. This setup is from the staff and the kids themselves as to what they would like to see.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Ella M. Brown	To approve the request
<u>Second:</u>	Theresa A. Kyle	to surplus the pool
<u>Unanimous</u>		table and remodel the
		game room.

Ms. Duffey said the room will be shut down during February vacation in order to get the work done. When it is reopened the board will be invited to attend.

MEETING - HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Bruce Brown and Eric Small were present for this meeting. They are requesting some of the money the state gave to the town to finish the work at the Old South Meeting House. They are looking for about \$150K to get this work done.

Mr. Khan spoke about the state budget and the money that was taken out that was originally intended for historical buildings.

Mrs. Kyle said at the last meeting the board approved spending the money on police, fire and DPW projects so there are no funds available.

Mr. Manzi said they have received one check for half of the amount the town is to receive with the second check due sometime after July 1. The board removed 3 articles from the warrant that they would use this money to fund and also to seek out projects with the DPW manager. The 3 articles total \$198K and DPW has proposed 3 projects that total \$75K, the police request is \$27,168 which would essentially leave about \$8800. He explained they could restore one of the 3 articles to the

warrant if they choose. This is a policy decision of the board but something that needs to be done.

Mrs. Kyle asked who owns the building and Mr. Small said the historical society owns the building but not the land. She said she loves the building but cannot justify giving them the money to do work on something that the town does not own. Mr. Small commented they would not be here if they were not told there was money allocated for this purpose. Mr. Khan explained that portion of the budget was not approved so the funds were removed.

Mr. Khan proposes they put the gas pump article back on the warrant. The funds can be taken from the fund balance. Mrs. Kyle said the town does not own the building and she is not going to take funds away from town projects. Eric Small said the historical society does not want to get into a controversy about the funds. He is opposed to the proposal made by Mr. Khan and doesn't want to get in a political upheaval.

Mrs. Kyle suggested they sit down and discuss what needs to be done and how the town can help. They can then go before the voters to explain the expenditure for the building.

Phyllis Farfaras commented that the people know there are no funds available for this building maybe the fundraising will be better. The purpose of the building after repairs is to make it useful to the town.

Mr. Manzi explained the only official vote were the 3 warrant articles being funded by the unrestricted funds and coming off the warrant. The balance of the funds is before the board today for the police and DPW requests. Mrs. Kyle said they can hold the \$8800 in abeyance until some sort of plan comes in as to what they are looking to do at the historical building. Mrs. Brown said they should leave it the way it is as this is work that needs to be done.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle
Second: Ella M. Brown
Unanimous

To adopt the numbers in the memo recommended by the town manager for the unrestricted funds.

WARRANT ARTICLES

Richard Maguire spoke to the petition article regarding parking placards and said this is of great concern to the residents of the beach district. He said by and large the people are happy

with how it is working as both sides have sacrificed one thing or another.

Mr. Khan said even if it is passed the board does not have to follow what is passed. He said it is not perfect but it is working. Mrs. Brown commented that if this is something that passes through the voters then that is what the board needs to do. Mrs. Kyle said if this petition is determined legal by the attorney and it passes the voters then the selectmen would have to abide by it. Mr. Manzi will consult with the attorney as the board sets the rules and regulations.

Phyllis Farfaras and Joe Guiffre spoke to the article and that it is not very clear as to what the petitioner is actually looking for or that a lot of the issues would not be resolved.

PREVIOUS MINUTES - DECEMBER 6 PUBLIC

MOTION: Ella M. Brown To adopt the minutes of
Second: Theresa A. Kyle 12/6 public.
 Unanimous

PREVIOUSLY SIGNED PERMITS

Mr. Khan read the list of permits (see attached).

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT - PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NH

Mr. Manzi said this is an agreement that comes from the board of tax and land appeal. The credit will continue for 6 tax halves from the town.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign the
Second: Ella M. Brown settlement agreement.
 Unanimous

1 BLIND EXEMPTION

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign the
Second: Ella M. Brown blind exemption.
 Unanimous

VETERAN'S EXEMPTIONS

Madelyn Boudreaux - 18 Viola Circle
 Thomas & Marie Randall - 508 Manchester Street
 Richard Johnson - 34 Scott Avenue
 Lawrence & Brescia Fennessey - 5 Woodland Avenue
 Edward & Diane Leclair - 60 Lillian Avenue
 Thomas Coelho - 27 Farm Lane
 Roger & Josephine Mumper - 28 Robert Road

John & Mary Stasiak - 31 Norman Road
Robert & Susan Watts - 10 Susan Lane
Stephen Nelsen - 14 Coleman Court
Robert Snow - 54 Brown Avenue
Thomas Barry - 183 South Main Street
James & Cheryl Markland - 17 Francis Drive
Joseph Hubbard - 65 Railroad Avenue
Sally Gallant - 2 Tyngsboro Street
Henry & Deborah Picard - 364 Woodstock Street
Marshall & Diana Miller - 134 Farm Lane
Robert Lewis - 207 South Main Street
Patricia Miles - 99 Cynthia Circle
Arlene Galasso - 38 Norman Road
Kevin & Morgan Cogdill - 46 Alison Drive

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all
Second: Ella M. Brown 21 veteran exemptions.
Unanimous

SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM REQUEST

Candidate's Night - February 20 at 6PM

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve the request.
Second: Ella M. Brown
Unanimous

TOWN WARRANT

Mr. Manzi said the planning board will continue the zoning proposal for the ballot and the draft warrant has the article even though it has not been adopted. If not adopted tomorrow evening it will be removed and there will be no planning board articles for 2020. In total including the petition articles there are 48 articles. Tonight is the public hearing for the budget at 6PM here at the town hall.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Mrs. Brown said the board attended the first annual bonfire for Christmas trees. She said it was great and it was a beautiful night for it. Mrs. Kyle attended the recreation commission meeting and there was some confusion and they have been asked to contact Mr. Manzi to clarify. She said they will be attending an event on Thursday for the town manager who will be receiving the President's Award for all the work he did in Seabrook on economic development. Mr. Khan said the first session is February 4 at 7PM at the Community Center. The election for office begins on January 22.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle
Second: Ella M. Brown
Unanimous

To adjourn the meeting
at 12:07PM.

Approved and endorsed

Ella M. Brown, Clerk

Date: _____

TOWN OF SEABROOK BOARD OF SELECTMEN

AGENDA

January 20, 2020

Open Meeting at 10:00 A.M.

TURN CELL PHONES TO VIBRATE OR OFF PLEASE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

- 1.) Public Hearing – Dune Project – 6 Manchester Street

MEETING

- 1.) Monthly Meeting – Fire Chief
- 2.) Meeting – Recreation Director
- 3.) Meeting – Historical Society

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.) Question of approving previous minutes of December 6 public.
- 2.) Question of review of previously signed permits.
- 3.) Question of approving settlement agreement with Public Service Company of NH.
- 4.) Question of approving 1 blind exemption.
- 5.) Question of approving veteran's exemptions for Madelyn Boudreaux – 18 Viola Circle, Thomas & Marie Randall – 508 Manchester Street, Richard Johnson – 34 Scott Avenue, Lawrence & Brescia Fennessey – 5 Woodland Avenue, Edward & Diane Leclair – 60 Lillian Avenue, Thomas Coelho – 27 Farm Lane, Roger & Josephine Mumper – 28 Robert Road, John & Mary Stasiak – 31 Norman Road, Robert & Susan Watts – 10 Susan Lane, Stephen Nelsen – 14 Coleman Court, Robert Snow – 54 Brown Avenue, Thomas Barry – 183 South Main Street, James & Cheryl Markland – 17 Frances Drive, Joseph Hubbard – 65 Railroad Avenue, Sally Gallant – 2 Tyngsboro Street, Henry & Deborah Picard – 364 Woodstock Street, Marshall & Diana Miller – 134 Farm Lane, Robert Lewis – 207 South Main Street, Patricia Miles – 99 Cynthia Circle, Arlene Galasso – 38 Norman Road and Kevin & Morgan Cogdill – 46 Alison Drive.
- 6.) Question of approving use of selectmen's meeting room for candidate's night on February 20 at 6:00PM.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Board of Selectmen on any boards and/or committee meetings they have attended

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Seabrook Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in conjunction with their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, January 20, 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at Town Hall, 99 Lafayette Road, Seabrook, NH relative to the dune project at 6 Manchester Street.

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Report of The Fire Department

Date: January 20, 2020

To: The Board of Selectmen
and William Manzi, Town Manager

Prepared By: William J Edwards, Fire Chief

We wanted to start our report by thanking the residents that came out for our first Town of Seabrook Bonfire. I think for an initial event it was very successful. We drew a good amount of people that night and had a very organized and safe event. We wanted to thank the Town Employees that were on hand too, we had members from each department there showing their community support. We hope this will continue to grow, bringing more people each year.

We wanted to specifically thank DPW Director John Starkey and his crew for getting the trees to Gov. Weare and stacking them. We'd also like to thank Forrest Carter the PARks Director for doing the cleanup after the fire was out, lastly Police Chief Brett Walker for supplying the detail officers that night. We appreciate the Board's willingness to allow us to start this new tradition and also their participation as Chairman Khan was able to light the Bonfire for us.

We had another successful Santa Ride through town. Again we saw so many happy and excited children and adults out that night. This year we had a tag along as the Grinch appeared to try to steal some Christmas Spirit. Luckily he wasn't able to sabotage the night. We hope everyone had a great time with the event, it's one of our favorite nights, and we look forward to bringing Santa through Town each year. Santa had a great time and is already marking his calendar for this upcoming Christmas.



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The Fire Department Union did a fantastic job this winter with both the Seabrook FF Toy Bank and the Operation Warm program. The Union distributed toys to roughly 70 families just before Christmas. FF/Paramedic Troy Coleman & FAO Zach Annis oversaw the Toy Bank this year. The Seabrook Toy Bank program has been helping families for over 25 years, a program launched by one of our Retired Captains, Tuggy Hewlett.

Operation Warm delivered over 200 winter coats to Seabrook children. This program is aimed at providing winter coats to children in our Seabrook School system. FF/Paramedic Rich Curtis has overseen this program the last two years, he's done a great job organizing the event..

As part of the Fire Department Town Report we provide for the Annual Report Book, we included some calls for service data.

In 2019 we responded to;

3,299 Total Calls for Service & 1,521 Total Medical Aid Calls

When we compare this to 2012, we have increased our calls for service by 69%

This is a huge increase in just 8 years. The demand for service has grown significantly and will likely never be lower than the current demand. This is the primary reason for the Warrant Article request for four additional Firefighters. The request is to fill a need we feel is extremely important not only to the safety of our residents and the community, but to the firefighters themselves.

If there are any questions on this article or any of the others we are requesting please don't hesitate to call my office or send me an email, I'd be glad to answer any questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J Edwards".

William J Edwards

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Board of Selectmen, EM Director Titone, Deputy Chief Perkins, Budget Chair Chris Leclaire, Town Manager Manzi, and Fire Chief Edwards



Chairman Khan lighting the Bonfire.



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Santa & Grinch with Town Manager Manzi & Chairman Khan



FF Perry, Eaton & Mawson handing out coats.

**LIST OF ITEMS SIGNED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FOR MEETING ON JANUARY 20, 2020**

WARRANTS

Water & Sewer (December) - \$176,042.38

RENEWAL BUSINESS LICENSES

42 Business License Renewals