

in the next few weeks to set a policy on the budget for 2023 and warrant articles as well as negotiating good contracts.

Ravi thanked the taxpayers for voting him in as selectman and he has heard the concerns of the taxpayers on the increase of taxes. He feels they need to look for ways to control how the property taxes have been increasing and look to ways to bring in revenue to offset the taxes. He will look for ways to supplement the revenue of the town.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi     | To go into non-public     |
| Second: Theresa A. Kyle | session at 1:33PM under   |
| Unanimous               | RSA 91-A:3, II(c) welfare |
|                         | lien & (e) negotiations.  |

Roll call:

Mr. Khan - yes  
Mrs. Kyle - yes  
Ravi - yes

Board reconvened in public session at 3:00PM.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Theresa A. Kyle | To seal the minutes. |
| Second: Aboul B. Khan          |                      |
| Unanimous                      |                      |

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Aboul B. Khan | To adjourn the meeting |
| Second: Ravi                 | at 3:00PM.             |
| Unanimous                    |                        |

Minutes taken by Kelly J. O'Connor.

Approved and endorsed:

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Srinivasa "Ravi" Ravikumar,  
Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## TOWN OF SEABROOK

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MARCH 21, 2022

Present: Aboul B. Khan  
Theresa A. Kyle  
Srinivasan "Ravi" Ravikumar  
William M. Manzi, III

10:30AM

Mrs. Brown opened the meeting at 10:31AM.

## REORGANIZATION - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To move Aboul B. Khan  
Second: Ravi as Chairman.  
Unanimous

MOTION:   Aboul B. Khan                      To move Theresa A. Kyle  
Second:     Ravi                               as Vice-Chairman.  
Unanimous

MOTION:   Aboul B. Khan                         To move Ravi as Clerk.  
Second:   Theresa A. Kyle  
Unanimous

Mr. Khan expressed an interest in serving on the planning board. Mrs. Kyle has no preference and feels she would best serve as an alternate for any board that needs her.

MOTION:   Aboul B. Khan                         To move Ravi will serve  
Second:   Theresa A. Kyle                         on the budget committee.  
Unanimous

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To move Aboul B. Khan  
Second: Ravi will serve on the  
Unanimous planning board.

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**MEETING - MARKET BASKET**

There is a proposal for Market Basket north before the planning board and it was recommended, they come forward to the Board of Selectmen.

John Matthews real estate developer for Market Basket spoke about the Route 1 widening project and the shortfall of monies

to do the project. Market Basket would cover the cost for the area in front of their store to widen Route 1. He feels this project would open some future development growth. The traffic light would be opposite Dearborn Avenue which was proposed by the state and the town. In lieu of impact fees they are looking to complete the Route 1 widening in front of the plaza. John Matthews said the project is contingent upon the widening of Route 1 as they cannot complete their project without it.

Mr. Manzi said he is not sure how this would affect the project cost wise, but he has reached out to D.O.T. but has not heard back as of yet. Market Basket is looking for board support with a written letter to D.O.T. Mrs. Kyle said she is in support as this will help with the project cost for the widening of Route 1. Ravi is also in support and Mr. Khan has no issue with the project.

MOTION: Ravi  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle  
Unanimous

To write a letter to  
D.O.T. expressing  
support of the Market  
Basket north project.

#### MEETING - HENRY BOYD

Henry Boyd said the wetland permit plans were given to the board members. There were several violations with the construction on town property and in the dune area. There is an opportunity to correct the issues with no expense to the town. There is also an existing fence line that is on town property, and he is recommending that they remove the fence line and place it on the private property. The area that has been maintained by the private resident will be restored to what it was which is beach grass. The owner has revised the plan and has kept the new home within the zoning requirements. The request is to keep the walkway which is already in place to continue to serve as a reminder to utilize the walkway when going to and from the beach.

Mrs. Kyle said this is very concerning to her as they have been allowed to utilize town property and have been restricting the fishermen who use this area to load and unload their catch. Not only did they build a patio, but they cut into the dunes. She is rather torn in her decision making due to what has happened but the fact they are restoring the dunes and beach grass. Mrs. Kyle suggested they have their attorney look at the past deeds and covenances to know what they can and cannot do as she does not believe even a building patio is allowed.

Mr. Khan feels this is a good example as to how the board is going to address the issues at the beach going forward.

The board needs to sign the application as the co-applicant where work is being done on town property. Sergio got involved during the wetland application process due to the plants involved on the property and spoke to this. The goal is to restore the buffer of the sand dune habitat.

Mr. Khan asked if there would be anything indicating that the town property would be released from this property owner after the rehabilitation. Mrs. Kyle further explained that the property owner is going to correct the issues he made and will no longer encroach on town owned property with the exception of the pathway to the communal walkway.

Mr. Manzi suggested after reviewing the documents it would be best served by authorizing the Chairman or the Town Manager to sign.

The conservation commission has written a letter in full support of this project.

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| MOTION:   | Ravi          | To authorize the project |
| Second:   | Aboul B. Khan | and for the town manager |
| Unanimous |               | to sign the documents.   |

Joe Guiffre said the people are outraged with what has happened. The day it was happening he came into a meeting and mentioned what was going on. He said the town manager did contact John Starkey who went and looked at what was being done and reported back to the town manager that the project was already completed. He said this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest violation that happened in 2016. Eben Lewis reported to Joe Guiffre that he couldn't do anything if the town doesn't do anything. Joe Guiffre also reported that former Selectwoman Ella Brown also reported the work being done in the dunes and nothing was done. He asked what they were going to do about this. He also asked what was going to be done about the contractor who had a few choice words for him when he did make an inquiry. He hopes that they can start moving forward and take this land back.

#### MONTHLY MEETING - POLICE CHIEF

Chief Brett Walker was present and briefly went through his report (see attached).

Mrs. Kyle said the Chief provided a very thorough report. She said both the police and fire have done a great job bringing the numbers down on the drug issue in town.

Ravi asked how many calls for service on average does the police department make. Chief Walker answered that it was about 16,000 so about 1300 per month. Mr. Manzi said before the next report of the police chief they will give the board a report on the calls for service over the past 3 years.

Mr. Khan asked if the numbers given on the drug overdose and deaths were from Seabrook residents or visitors passing through. Chief Walker said he has those numbers but not with him so he will provide them to the board.

The vacant positions he has is from one officer leaving for another department and the position for the 5<sup>th</sup> dispatcher and 30<sup>th</sup> officer was approved in December 2021 and are in the process of hiring for those.

Ravi asked about the drug related crimes and are they going up or down. Chief Walker said sometimes it is not always obvious, but they do try to track the correlation to the best of their ability.

#### PREVIOUS MINUTES - FEBRUARY 7 PUBLIC AND MARCH 7 PUBLIC

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| MOTION:  | Aboul B. Khan   | To adopt the minutes of |
| Second:  | Theresa A. Kyle | 2/7 public and 3/7      |
| Abstain: | Ravi            | public.                 |

#### TAX ABATEMENT

Beatrice Louf - 34 B Street - \$3123.89

Mr. Khan said this issue was ongoing from a previous meeting. The letter was requesting the board abate the 2019 and 2020 lien. They are working to get her the homeowner assistance program that will help to pay the taxes.

Mrs. Kyle cannot see abating taxes for a property that someone other than the homeowner is going to benefit from. She is willing to not act on the lien so that the homeowner can continue to live there but should something happen she feels the town should get the money owed them.

Ravi said he looks at it as the burden is shifting from the homeowner to the taxpayers of the town. His feeling is in line with what Mrs. Kyle is saying sometime in the future there is a

decision to be made but it should not hurt the other taxpayers of Seabrook.

Mr. Khan said he is not disputing what the other two board members are saying but at what point do the homeowners come and ask for this type of request. He proposes to the board that the town manager and tax collector come up with a proposal that is a win for Seabrook and the homeowner.

There was further discussion on this request. Ravi said none of them are turning a blind eye to the hardship but rather they are looking out for both interests. He feels the wisest thing is to not abate the tax but rather to just not act on the lien so as not to harm the resident.

Mr. Manzi said there is a solution to this, and the next item is on the agenda with the same situation. He outlines what the board did for that resident and said in this case his recommendation would be to make a similar type policy statement that leaves it open so the agency may step up to pay or a portion of it.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi     | To deny the request for  |
| Second: Theresa A. Kyle | the abatement and to     |
| Unanimous               | direct the town manager  |
|                         | to not deed the property |

#### **ABATMENT - ROBERT COLLINS**

Mr. Manzi said this was dealt with by the prior board. Since the initial board action, they have received a new letter and if they feel the same he can just update the letter. Mr. Khan suggested they have all 3 members sign the letter.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Ravi   | To approve writing the |
| Second: Aboul B. Khan | letter for this        |
| Unanimous             | abatement as previous  |
|                       | request.               |

#### **HYDRANT FLOW TEST - 441 LAFAYETTE ROAD**

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Theresa A. Kyle | To approve and sign the |
| Second: Ravi                   | hydrant flow test.      |
| Unanimous                      |                         |

#### **WATER SERVICE APPLICATIONS**

Robert Watts - 184 South Main Street - \$50  
Route 107 Seabrook LLC. - 239 State Route 107 - \$100  
Route 107 Seabrook LLC. - 241 State Route 107 - \$100

Chris Cloutier - 6 Newbury Street - \$100  
Kevin Janvrin - 12 C Janvrin Drive - \$100

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ravi water applications.  
Unanimous

**SEWER SERVICE APPLICATIONS**

Robert Watts - 184 South Main Street - \$50  
Route 107 Seabrook LLC. - 239 State Route 107 - \$100  
Route 107 Seabrook LLC. - 241 State Route 107 - \$100  
DECM LLC. - 6 Newbury Street - \$100

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ravi sewer applications.  
Unanimous

**7 ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS**

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ravi elderly exemptions.  
Unanimous

Angela Silva said some of them are new, but a few have moved from a disability exemption to an elderly exemption. One the spouse passed away, so she had them reapply as single. Ms. Silva said they have about 220 exemptions and it is about \$6 million in assessed value.

**VETERAN EXEMPTIONS**

Samuel & Jessica Rodriguez - 15 Randall Drive  
Robert & Susan Eastman - 50 B Street

**APPOINTMENTS - ZONING BOARD**

Jeffrey Brown, Phil Howsham and Teresa Rowe

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle To approve and sign all  
Second: Ravi appointments.  
Unanimous

**SEABROOK MEETING OF STATE FISH & GAME COMMISSION - MAY 10**

This meeting will be open to the public. Mr. Manzi feels the room will be sufficient but if not, he could look at other options as necessary.

MOTION: Ravi To approve the request  
Second: Theresa A. Kyle for the meeting on  
Unanimous May 10.

**CONTRACT WITH STATE FOR ROUTE 1 EXPANSION**

Mr. Manzi is requesting to withdraw the approval on the contract until he has an opportunity to speak with D.O.T. on the project from Market Basket and how it will affect the numbers.

Mr. Khan said this project has been discussed for the past few years and the town manager is asking to hold until there is more information on the project.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> | Theresa A. Kyle | To withdraw the request  |
| Second:        | Ravi            | from the agenda and hold |
| Unanimous      |                 | for a future meeting     |
|                |                 | after further discussion |

**D.O.T. CORRESPONDENCE WITH LOUIS BARKER**

D.O.T. is considering selling a parcel of D.O.T. controlled land to Mr. Hollis. Mr. Hollis has requested a letter from the board in support of the sale which the board has declined. The D.O.T. is now asking for the viewpoint of the board.

Mrs. Kyle is recusing herself as she owns property adjacent to the property in question.

The planning board has said that it would need to come before the board for a class VI road. Mr. Hollis has committed to build some portion of the rail trail and this request is related to that commitment.

Mr. Khan said he is a little confused as to what is going to be done as there are no plans or proposal. He also does not know what they are going to do for the rail trail and how it would affect them. Mr. Manzi stated that Mr. Hollis has not brought the class VI road request to the board at this time. He would recommend deferring a response until such time that Mr. Hollis comes in with a proposal.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> | Ravi            | To defer the response to |
| Second:        | Aboul B. Khan   | this request until a     |
| Recuse:        | Theresa A. Kyle | proposal is submitted    |
|                |                 | and at such time the     |
|                |                 | letter will state that   |
|                |                 | the residents of Boynton |
|                |                 | Lane be notified.        |

**RECONSIDERATION OF PLACARD POLICY SEASON 2022**

Mr. Khan and Mrs. Kyle agree that the policy has worked out well for the season. Mr. Khan would like the south side of the welcome center remain as Seabrook resident parking only.



MOTION: Aboul B. Khan

To keep the policy as is from the previous year.

Ravi asked about the fines and what was taken in. Mr. Manzi said he would get him the numbers. Ravi asked if there have been any requests for a second or third placard. Mr. Manzi said that not everyone was of the same mind on that question. Ravi thought perhaps they could offer a second placard at a cost. Mr. Manzi said that would be in the purview of the board as a policy matter. He said in his experience there would be a market for it. Mr. Khan said the parking spaces are limited and then a problem with some residents putting their cars out front of their home rather than using the driveway would become more of an issue. Ravi feels it would generate some revenue to the town and it could be controlled with the cost of a placard. Mr. Khan feels in the end there would be no parking for the residents. Mrs. Kyle said her feeling would be they would buy excess placards to give out to others to use who are not relatives visiting their home or whatnot. Mr. Khan said they had put together a committee for the placard policy and if the committee is still available, they should ask them to look at this.

MOTION: Ravi  
Second: Aboul B. Khan  
Unanimous

To continue with last year's policy for parking placards and to defer discussion on the proposal today for a future meeting.

Mrs. Kyle said she would not like to see any parking area painted strictly for bus parking.

#### **LICENSING FOOD TRUCKS IN ROUTE 1A PARKING LOT**

Mr. Manzi said the board has typically licensed two but had previously indicated going forward they would not license any. He said it will be coming forward and he would like the board to set a policy for the season. Mrs. Kyle feels it is a problem they do not need and would like to carry forward the discussion they had from last year about not allowing the food trucks.

Mr. Khan said it had been a long tradition in town and it is a good feeling to see the hot dog stand when going to the beach so he would like to discuss this further. Mrs. Kyle said they had a nice hot dog cart, and it was nice to go and chat. There were no restaurants open like they are today, and it is getting out of

control with the size of the trucks and the trash not being picked up by the vendors.

Mr. Khan doesn't recall saying they weren't going to allow any vendors and he would like to allow at least one to carry on the tradition. Mrs. Kyle doesn't feel they should be allowed to use town land to make money when the other businesses are paying taxes and other things to make their money.

Ravi asked if they were going to limit the size of the truck. Mr. Manzi explained the situation from last season. Ravi said they could have them leave a deposit so if there is any future cost to clean-up after the vendor it would be taken from the deposit. Mr. Manzi said they could assess a fee and also put the terms in the license stating that if there is trash to be removed and they are found in violation they will be removed, and the license will be revoked. Mrs. Kyle said she is totally against it as it didn't work out last season and is not fair to the restaurants who are paying taxes.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Aboul B. Khan | To allow one licensed truck for the 2022 season and to review again, next year and to impose any condition that is necessary based on first come first serve. |
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There was discussion and Mr. Khan withdrew his motion.

Ravi commented that based on today's discussion his decision would be to not grant any applications.

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| <u>MOTION:</u> Theresa A. Kyle | To adopt that no                         |
| Second:      Ravi              | hawkers & peddlers                       |
| Opposed:    Aboul B. Khan      | licenses be granted for the 2022 season. |

#### **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

Ravi has turned his resignation into the planning board but will continue on as the RPC representative.

Mr. Khan said many articles were turned down at town meeting and they heard the voters and will do everything possible to fulfill their obligation to the taxpayers. They will get back to work

# **TOWN OF SEABROOK BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

## **AGENDA**

March 21, 2022

Open Meeting at 10:30 A.M.

**TURN CELL PHONES TO VIBRATE OR OFF PLEASE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **REORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

- 1.) Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Clerk
- 2.) Election to Boards

### **MEETING**

- 1.) Meeting – Market Basket
- 2.) Meeting – Henry Boyd
- 3.) Monthly Meeting – Police Chief

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1.) Question of approving previous minutes of February 7 public and March 7 public.
- 2.) Question of approving tax abatement for Beatrice Louf – 34 B Street - \$3123.89.
- 3.) Question of approving abatement for Robert Collins.
- 4.) Question of approving hydrant flow test for 441 Lafayette Road.
- 5.) Question of approving water service applications for Robert Watts – 184 South Main Street, Route 107 Seabrook LLC. – 239 & 241 State Route 107, Chris Cloutier – 6 Newbury Street and Kevin Janvrin – 12 C Janvrin Drive.
- 6.) Question of approving sewer service applications for Robert Watts – 184 South Main Street, Route 107 Seabrook LLC. – 239 & 241 State Route 107 and DECM LLC. – 6 Newbury Street.
- 7.) Question of approving 7 elderly exemptions.
- 8.) Question of approving veteran exemptions for Samuel & Jessica Rodriguez – 15 Randall Drive and Robert & Susan Eastman – 50 B Street.
- 9.) Question of approving appointments to the zoning board for Jeffrey Brown, Phil Howsham and Teresa Rowe.
- 10.) Question of approving Seabrook meeting of State Fish & Game Commission on May 10.
- 11.) Question of approving contract with state for expansion of Route 1 North.
- 12.) Question of discussion on DOT correspondence from Louis Barker.
- 13.) Question of reconsideration of placard policy for 2022 season.
- 14.) Question of licensing food trucks in Route 1A parking lot.

### **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

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

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

### **NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

**RSA 91-A:3, II (c) welfare lien and (e) negotiations**

# Seabrook Police Department



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March 21, 2022

## December (partial)/January/February/March (partial) Report to Selectmen

- Chief Walker attended the check presentation in Concord by the Napoli Group representing NH McDonald's to the NH Chiefs of Police Association. The Association accepted a donation of more than \$50,000 raised during our October fundraiser which will be used for training and community initiatives.
- In January the Board voted to accept a donation to the Police Department from O'Brien's General Store in the amount of \$4,000.00. This generous donation will provide Automated External Defibrillators (AED's) inside the police station. We are extremely grateful for the continued support from O'Brien's.
- Several employees attended a virtual Right-to-Know Law workshop hosted by the NH Municipal Association. This training helps us with transparency while being mindful of the rights of everyone involved with regard to information requests.
- Members of the command staff attended a virtual grant writing workshop. This training provided additional resources to utilize while searching and applying for grants as well as networking opportunities to connect with agencies who can provide assistance with grants they have received in the past.
- On February 9<sup>th</sup> we participated in the emergency drill cycle for the power plant.
- Some of the more notable trainings during this period included:
  - Ofc. Bunszell attended training in Nashua for Supervising Field Training Officers (FTOs). Ofc. Bunszell assists Sgt. Murphy in overseeing the FTO program that trains our new officers.
  - Ofc. Giarrusso attended training at Police Standards & Training in Concord to be certified as a firearms instructor.
- On March 1<sup>st</sup> Chief Walker, Deputy Chief Gelineau, and Detective Sergeant Lawrence attended the swearing in of Seabrook PD Prosecutor/Wakefield, NH Chief John Ventura as the Chief of Police in Brentwood. Chief Ventura has been doing a great job as our prosecutor and we are confident he's going to do great work for the Brentwood community.
- Lt. Allen received high marks in a compliance report from the NH Office of Highway Safety. The report was the result of an in-person visit in March where grant-funded equipment was accounted

overdoses and 13 overdose deaths. We'll continue our efforts to get illegal drugs off the streets and working with our community partners to get help for those battling addiction.

We continue to use our social media accounts on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) (@SeabrookNHPD) to connect with the public. This has proved to be an effective means of providing information to and interacting with the public. The Seabrookpd.com website also has a Twitter feed at the bottom for people who do not utilize social media.

We look forward to a great 2022 serving the Seabrook community!

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Walker", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Brett Walker  
Chief of Police

