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DUXBURY, MASS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Present: Mr. Madigan, Chair; Mr. Flynn, Vice Chair; and Mr. Dahlen, Clerk

Absent: None

Staff: René J. Read, Town Manager; and Nancy O'Connor, Executive Assistant

CONVENED IN OPEN SESSION –

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

II. OPEN FORUM Nothing brought forward.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion pertaining to the review of Town Boards and Committees – staff to provide update

Mr. Read began by stating that he has distributed a list of boards and committees to Peter Buttkus, Valerie Massard, Joe Grady and Scott Lambiasi and have met with them to come up with recommendations to either keep, combine and/or disband certain boards/committees. Mr. Read said that he will bring back their findings to the Selectmen in mid-May.

Discussion pertaining to support of Myles Standish Home Site & Park application to the National Registry of Historic Places

Mr. Terry Vose, Chair of the Historical Commission, stated that this application has been at the Historical Commission in Boston for ages and that they are behind schedule. He feels that they are asking for an updated letter to push this along. (Background info on this request: On December 13, 2013, the Selectmen voted to support the Town of Duxbury's Historical Commission in their application to the National Register of Historic Places, and Mr. Read sent a letter on behalf of the Selectmen expressing their support. The Historical Commission recently received a letter from Ms. Betsy Friedberg, National Register Director of the Massachusetts Historical Commission. In it Ms. Friedberg confirms the eligibility of the Myles Standish Homestead Site citing its historical connections to Captain Myles Standish, its significant past archeological excavations, and its potential ability to yield additional archeological information about contact and post-contact life in Plymouth Colony following its initial settlement. In order to move the application forward to the National Register of Historic Places, Ms. Friedberg requested a more current letter of support from the Duxbury Board of Selectmen.)

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen re-affirm its previous support and vote of December 13, 2013 of the Town of Duxbury Historical Commission's application to the National Register of Historic Places regarding the placement of the Myles Standish House Site and Park on the National Register of Historic Places as a historic site, and execute a letter to the Massachusetts Historical Commission re-affirming its support. Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

Discussion pertaining to Cell Tower Lease with Verizon Wireless

Mr. Scott Lambiase, Municipal Services Director, stated that he has been working with Town Counsel (KP Law) regarding these contracts. He further mentioned that Verizon looked at this land and approached the Town, and he hopes that this will fill some of the voids in service.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the Lease Agreement between the Town of Duxbury and Verizon Wireless to lease a portion of a certain parcel located at 155 Mayflower Street and known as Parcel ID#092-500-039, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

Discussion pertaining to property located at Lincoln Street

The Town issued an RFP back in April, 2018 to dispose of 21.52 acres of Town-owned property for the development of mixed-income housing. Champion Builders was selected as the successful proposer. Buyer's counsel drafted a Purchase & Sale Agreement, which Town Counsel has reviewed. The next step in the process is to execute the Purchase & Sale Agreement.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen approve and execute the Purchase & Sale Agreement in the amount of \$650,000.00 between the Town of Duxbury and Champion Builders, Inc., for property located on Lincoln Street consisting of approximately 21.52 acres and known as Parcel ID Nos. 053-512-036 and 053-512-037 and further described in deeds recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 4088, Pages 110 and 112, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

Discussion pertaining to 1065 Summer Street – Ch. 61A Sale of Property

After review at a posted public meeting, both the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board voted to recommend that the Selectmen do not exercise their right of first refusal.

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen do not exercise their right of first refusal for the Chapter 61A portion of the property located at 1065 Summer Street and containing approximately 22.5 acres known as Assessor's Parcel ID #004-013-000, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

IV TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Read stated that he received a resident email regarding Duxbury trash bags complaining about the quality of the bags. He further mentioned that he had a meeting with WasteZero (vendor) on 4/10/19.

Mr. Read then read the following email:

Saturday, April 06, 2019

Dear Mr. Read,

I would like to call to your attention the decrease in quality of the blue Duxbury trash bags. The new bags are thinner and tear easily, and when you try to tie them the white string pulls right out of the bag.

I'm not sure if you have access to the Facebook page "Duxbury Helping Duxbury", but I posted a comment on there and many residents replied in agreement on the poor quality of the new bags.

If the town has changed vendors, would it be possible to go back to the old ones? At \$1.50 per bag we expect heavy duty quality.

Also, WasteZero noted that there is an 800 number printed on every bag (800-866-3954) which is the customer service line for the plant in South Carolina which they said customers should feel free to call with any bag quality issues.

I hope this information is helpful to you and thank you for taking the time to write. Please feel free to share it with others.

RJR Additional reply

Apr 16, 2019

On Friday our contact at WasteZero advised us of the following:

Just to add another wrinkle... I'm sure you've heard about the Stop and Shop strike. And as it is one of the retailers for Duxbury, we don't want residents to run out of bags.

In response, we will be contacting the other large retailers today to get an additional order of PAYT bags. These will be delivered by Monday, so that these stores can handle the potential increase in overflow bag customers.

Hope this information is useful.

Regards,

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Mr. Read additionally stated that he thought that the responses from WasteZero were remarkable.

Seawall update:

Mr. Read mentioned that letters with a Certificate of Donation were sent via certified mail to homeowners along the seawall and that we are keeping track when received.

Mr. Read continued to say that he will be meeting with the Army Corps later this week regarding revetment for the seawall.

V COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

4th of July Committee - Appointments

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen appoint Brooke Brawley, Tracey Fitzpatrick, and Deb Mullin to the 4th of July Committee for a term to expire as of 4/30/20.

Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

4th of July Committee – Re-Appointments

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen re-appoint Chris Barry, Freeman Boynton III, Barbara Cleary, Katy Gaenicke, Jeff Goldman, Amy Hill, Brian Hill, Jamie MacNab (Co-Chair), Nancy Reed, Janet Ritch, Dave Robinson, Stuart A Ruggles (Co-Chair), and Janet Skaggs to the 4th of July Committee for a term to expire as of 4/30/20. Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

3) **Next Scheduled Selectmen's Meeting:** will be on Monday, May 6, 2019.

X BONUS SHELLFISH SEASON FOR MAY, 2019

Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board of Selectmen declare a temporary Bonus Shellfish Season for:

- 1) the commercial harvesting of softshell clams for the month of May, 2019 in accordance with posted Attachments B & C; and
- 2) the commercial harvesting of quahog clams for the month of May, 2019 in accordance with posted Attachments A & C.

Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 3:0:0

XI ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 8:00 pm, Mr. Dahlen moved that the Board adjourn.

Seconded by Mr. Flynn. Vote: 3:0:0

Minutes submitted by Nancy O'Connor

LIST OF DOCUMENTS (documents are kept in the Board of Selectmen files)

- 1) Agenda
- 2) Myles Standish Documentation
- 3) Seaport Economic Council Grant Application documentation
- 4) Link to Residential Building Guidelines Booklet by the Design Review Committee
- 5) Verizon Wireless cell tower lease documentation
- 6) Documentation regarding sale of Lincoln Street
- 7) Documentation regarding Ch61A Sale of Property – 1065 Summer Street
- 8) ODLL
- 9) Event Permit
- 10) Draft Minutes
- 11) Announcements
- 12) Bonus Shellfish – May 2019