

ORLEANS SELECT BOARD

May 4 2022

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This meeting was convened via remote participation under the Governor's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth from the COVID-19 virus with real-time public access provided by Channel 18 on the Town website and cable television.

Present from the Town of Orleans were Select Board Chair Mefford Runyon, Vice Chair Andrea Reed, Kevin Galligan, Michael Herman and Town Administrator John Kelly, Mark Mathison joined late.

Chair Mefford Runyon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comment

Tom Daley made a P.S.A. to encourage people to use the online system for their beach stickers as it would be more efficient.

Mr. Runyon called the public comment to a close.

Conduct public hearing and vote on the following Shellfish Grant Applications:

Mefford Runyon read aloud the public hearing notice, and Nate Spears spoke to the applicants and process. Mr. Runyon invited the public to comment, there were no comments.

Michael Herman moved to close the public portion of the hearing, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

- a. David Reed
- b. Richard Emerson
- c. Sadie Skayne
- d. Stuart T. Smith

Kevin Galligan moved to grant the shellfish licenses, amendments and transfers as presented by the Natural Resources Mgr. on the memo dates March 21, 2022, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Conduct public hearing on proposed fee increases to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting

Mr. Runyon read aloud the public hearing notice. There were no people in the waiting room.

Andrea Reed moved to close the public hearing, 2nd by Michael Herman. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Kevin Galligan moved to approve the fee increases with the exception of the Recreational Adult Program fee, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Mr. Galligan suggested that a change might need to be made in how the town communicated such changes so that the public was more aware and the other board members agreed.

Discussion and vote on request from Thomas Hayes to transfer Rock Harbor Dockage Agreement to his son

Nate Sears spoke to the request and the regulations of the town surrounding it. Thomas and Jason Hayes were both present for the conversation. Thomas Hayes spoke to his age and wish to retire and asked the Select Board to transfer the agreement to his son, Jason. Jason Hayes stated that he would love to carry out the family business for the foreseeable future and asked the board to consider the request.

The board had a discussion surrounding separating out the waitlists for charter vs. recreational use.

Kevin Galligan moved to vote to permit the request of Captain Tom Hayes for the transfer of his Rock Harbor dockage agreement to his son, Jason, 2nd by Michael Herman. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Meet with Treasurer/Collector Scott Walker – Review and vote on hardship applications for ambulance transport waivers

Mr. Walker spoke to the two applications and his recommendations on each.

Michael Herman moved to approve the hardship for call #OR21415 and call #OR211415 as recommended, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Meet with DPW Director Tom Daley and Fire Chief Deering – Discussion on Fire/Rescue Station traffic signal petition and options

Mr. Daley went through the discussions had had with the engineers along with the various options for the lights.

Mr. Mathison asked Mr. Daley to explain “MUTCD” or Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. He stated that it was a federal regulation that controlled all traffic signage. Mr. Mathison asked if this was an actual law or just a suggestion. Mr. Daley spoke to the regulations. Mr. Mathison clarified that the town did not have to have this sign to begin with. Mr. Mathison then clarified an option that could be done to change the lights. Mr. Mathison stated that the town had made a mistake when installing the light in the first place and that it was their job to fix it – the other board members agreed.

There was a discussion surrounding the next steps, possible funding mechanisms and timing for the proposed changes.

Vote on remaining Town Meeting Warrant Article recommendations

- a. ATM Article 46. Fund Police Union Contract FY23
- b. ATM Article 47. Fund Fire Union Contract FY23

Andrea Reed moved to indefinitely postpone Articles 46 and 47, 2nd by Kevin Galligan. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

- c. STM Article 1. Pay Bills of Prior Years

Andrea Reed moved to pay the unpaid bill under Article 1 for Special Town Meeting for Cape and Islands Tire in the amount of \$192.67, 2nd by Kevin Galligan. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

- d. STM Article 2. Fund Unanticipated Employee Buyouts

Kevin Galligan moved to add \$20k to cover the unforeseen employee buyouts, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

- e. STM Article 7. Petition Alter Fire/Rescue Department Traffic Signal on Eldredge Parkway

Mark Mathison moved to support STM Article 7, 2nd by Michael Herman. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Mr. Kelly noted that the town now had the ability to live broadcast Town Meeting. The board discussed the pros and cons of this option. The board all agreed that it was a good option to move forward with.

Discussion and vote on Three One-Day Beer and Wine License Applications – Lou Lou Llc., 15 Old Colony Way, for 6/30/22, 7/23/22 and 11/26/22

Michael Herman moved to approve the three special one-day liquor licenses for Lou Lou LLC., to serve wine and malt beverages from, on 6/30/22 5-8PM, 7/23/22 12-8PM and 11/26/22 12-7PM for outdoor events at 15 Old Colony Way. The licenses are issued for three days to allow for proper delivery and disposal of wine and malt beverages subject to all licenses, bylaws, permits, and approvals and in accordance with the MA Gen. Law, Chap. 138 Sec. 14, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Discussion and vote on Seasonal Outdoor License Application for Lou Lou Llc., 15 Old Colony Way

Michael Herman moved to vote to approve the request of Todd Thayer, Mgr. of Lou Lou Llc. Located at 15 Old Colony Way, Orleans for seasonal Weekday outdoor entertainment license from July 8, 2022 – November 30, 2022 for a 4-hour window btwn. 11:30 AM and 8:30 PM for amplified recorded and live music. Events not to exceed 4 hours per day, 4 days per week for amplified recorded and live music. Subject to all local and state rules. Regulations, bylaws, permits and approvals. Said license to expire on Nov. 30th, 2022 unless sooner revoked by the Select Board, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Discussion and vote on draft Eversource letter regarding substation landscaping concerns and next steps

Ms. Reed suggested a bulleted list within the body of the letter. Mr. Runyon asked that a member of town staff be added to the suggested working group and the board discussed the importance of finding the right person to be their advocate.

Andrea Reed moved to send the letter as drafted with the edits called out regarding the bulleting of the three items on the 2nd page, the correction of the spelling of Meff Runyon's name, and the addition of town staff in the wording, 2nd by Michael Herman. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Discussion on Eastham town meeting petition article regarding Nauset Estuary Dredging

Mr. Galligan noted that the article was not favored at the Eastham Town Meeting and suggested looking at the next steps after Orleans' Town Meeting. Mr. Mathison

Town Administrator's Report

- a. Vote 2022 Sarah Brown Scholarship Recipient

Kevin Galligan moved to vote to approve the Sarah Brown Scholarship Recipient, 2nd by Michael Herman. The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

- b. Update on Town Departmental Grants and Financial Assistance Activities

Mr. Kelly updated the Select Board on grants and financial assistance approved for the town.

The vote was 5-0-0 with Mark Mathison, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Andrea Reed all voting aye by roll call.

Liaison Reports

Ms. Reed spoke on the Affordable Housing Committee and their work.

Mr. Herman spoke about the Orleans Citizen Forum as well as the reception that had been held at the Veteran's Memorial Park.

Mr. Runyon spoke to new documents that had been added to the town website regarding the waste water management project.

Items for future agendas

Mr. Runyon spoke to the reorganization of the Select Board. He also asked Mr. Kelly to add an agenda item to invite the chairs of all of the working groups to meet with the Select Board to iron out any questions either side might have. Ms. Reed noted that there was a plan to add a column to a local newspaper to update the public on what the working groups were doing on a weekly basis. Mr. Runyon also asked Mr. Kelly to re-schedule Mr. Fromm and Mr. Dunford and stated that he felt that sooner would be better.

Adjourn

Kevin Galligan moved to adjourn, 2nd by Andrea Reed. The vote was 5-0-0, with Andrea Reed, Michael Herman, Mefford Runyon, Kevin Galligan and Mark Mathison all voting aye by roll call.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ashley Stucenski

Mark Mathison, Clerk

Documents in May 4, 2022 packet:

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