

PLYMOUTH SELECT BOARD

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023

GREAT HALL, TOWN HALL, 26 COURT STREET, PLYMOUTH, MA – 6:00 PM
HYBRID PARTICIPATION IN-PERSON OR VIA ZOOM WEBINAR

6:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER

Betty Cavacco, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked Select Board Member, Harry Helm to read the opening statement.

In accordance with S2475, and pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be conducted via remote means and in-person. Members of the public who wish [to watch the meeting may do so](#) in the following manner: tune into PACtv government cable access channels Comcast Channel 15 or Verizon Channel 47 and watch the meeting as it is aired live, or watch the meeting live the PACtv website at <https://pactv.org>. Members of the public who wish to PARTICIPATE in the meeting may do so in the following manner:

Remote Participation: please go to the Town website under the Select Board page and click on the Zoom Webinar Registration box or simply click on the link below.

https://pactv.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-cge_yk_Q9KtC8f1ydH61g

Present: Betty Cavacco, Chairman
Richard Quintal Jr., Vice Chairman
John Mahoney Jr.
Harry Helm
Charlie Bletzer

Derek Brindisi, Town Manager
Brad Brothers, Assistant Town Manager

JORDAN HOSPITAL CLUB POLAR PLUNGE

The Jordan Hospital Club Polar Plunge organizers attended the meeting and described the upcoming event. The group asked for the participation of Board members and the Town Manager.

LICENSES AND ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

On a motion by John Mahoney and seconded by Harry Helm, the Board voted to table Administrative Notes 1-14 to the next Board meeting
Voted 5/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Yes

On a motion by John Mahoney and seconded by Harry Helm, the Board voted to approve Administrative Notes 15-22 and the licenses as a group.
Voted 5/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Yes

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

1. The Board will vote to approve July 12, 2022, Open Session minutes.
2. The Board will vote to approve July 22, 2022, Open Session minutes.

3. The Board will vote to approve July 26, 2022, Open Session minutes.
4. The Board will vote to approve August 2, 2022, Open Session minutes.
5. The Board will vote to approve August 16, 2022, Open Session minutes.
6. The Board will vote to approve September 8, 2022, Open Session minutes.
7. The Board will vote to approve September 20, 2022, Open Session minutes.
8. The Board will vote to approve October 4, 2022, Open Session minutes.
9. The Board will vote to approve October 18, 2022, Open Session minutes.
10. The Board will vote to approve October 18, 2022, Executive Session minutes.
11. The Board will vote to approve November 1, 2022, Open Session minutes.
12. The Board will vote to approve November 15, 2022, Open Session minutes.
13. The Board will vote to amend the November 15, 2022, Executive Session minutes.
14. The Board will vote to approve the November 29, 2022, Open Session minutes.
15. The Board will vote to approve and execute in-person early voting for the May 20, 2023, election for the following dates; Thursday, May 11, 2023, from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm; Friday, May 12, 2023, from 7:30 am – 12:00 pm; Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm; Monday May 15, 2023, from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm; Tuesday, May 16, 2023, from 7:30 am – 6:30 pm; Wednesday, May 17, 2023, from 7:30 – 4:00 pm.
16. The Board will vote to approve Permanent Outdoor Dining for Sandy’s Restaurant at Plymouth Beach. This approval will be subject to the approval of an upcoming Liquor License Transfer from the ABCC.
17. The Board will vote to review and acknowledge an Open Meeting Law complaint filed on Monday, January 30, 2023, furthermore, the Board will take any remedial action necessary.
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19. The Board will vote to review and acknowledge an Open Meeting Law complaint filed on Monday, January 30, 2023, furthermore, the Board, as the Water Commissioners, will take any remedial action necessary.
20. The Board will authorize the acceptance of Congressionally-Directed Federal Spending in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 through the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023, to be utilized towards the New Tertiary Filter Project at the Plymouth Wastewater Treatment Facility.
21. The Board will authorize the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$89,000.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs for permitting and design costs associated with the Ellisville Harbor Dredging Project.
22. The Board will authorize the acceptance of a gift of \$25.00 for the Plymouth Fire Department, made by Lillian Anthony of Plymouth, to be used towards necessary departmental equipment and supplies.

Licenses

1. Project Arts Plymouth Inc., PO Box 790 is requesting an Amplified Music Permit for the following dates from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for concerts at DCR Pilgrim Memorial State Park, Water Street for the following dates: June 28, 2023, July 5, 2023, July 12, 2023, July 19, 2023, July 26, 2023, August 2, 2023, August 9, 2023, August 16, 2023, August 23, 2023, August 30, 2023

Chad Hunter, Harbormaster stated that George Caldwell IV is requesting an Aquaculture Site Expansion. Mr. Hunter stated that Mr. Caldwell has 2.57 acres in private titled lands, and he is looking to expand to 6.57 acres.

On a motion by Richard Quintal and seconded by Charlie Bletzer, the Board voted to approve and execute the Aquaculture Site Expansion for George Caldwell IV, as presented. *Voted 5/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Yes*

6:10 – CHANGE OF LOCATION – CRAFT BEER CELLAR

Ms. Stewart, Owner stated that she is changing her location from 31 Main Street to 44 Main Street.

On a motion by John Mahoney and seconded by Harry Helm, the Board voted to approve and execute the Change of Location request for the Craft Beer Cellar.

Voted 4/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Abstain

EDWARD W. SANTOS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD PROPOSAL

Michael Gallerani, a resident of Norwood stated that he proposes the creation of Edward W. Santos Community Service Award. Mr. Gallerani described the late Mr. Santos' dedication to community service and philanthropy. Mr. Bletzer supports the proposal. Mr. Gallerani described having a memorial in a public location be placed. Mr. Helm asked if the Memorial Committee is asked. Mr. Senesi stated that it would have to be reformed. Mr. Brindisi stated that he would work with Mr. Gallerani to form the memorial proposal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Lydon, a resident of Plymouth, noted the philanthropic giving of Mr. Gallerani. Mr. Lydon described the meeting that was held at Hedges Pond last week. Mr. Lydon stated that he was in attendance, he believed everyone was respectful at the meeting.

Margaret Sheehan, 40 Years of Practice in Massachusetts, Plymouth native from Rocky Pond Road. Ms. Sheehan spoke about the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on January 4, 2023. Ms. Sheehan stated that she appeared before the ZBA on behalf of the Community Land and Water Coalition, regarding an appeal, seeking enforcement of zoning bylaws at a sand and gravel mining site. Ms. Sheehan stated that she sent a letter to the Select Board on January 9, 2023, and read the letter into the record.

Dear Chair Cavacco and Board members,

This is to bring to your attention the improper conduct of the Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals, Michael Main on January 4th, 2023 in running the public hearing and case number 4077. I request that you watch the recording of the hearing posted on YouTube and available at this link, which is included in the letter. Please watch to the end so that you can hear the testimony from the public, including neighbors. The Zoning Board of Appeals is created by a statute, General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 12. It is the ultimate authority responsible for carrying out the purposes of the town's bylaw, which are to protect public health, safety and welfare, and the environment.

You may refer to Zoning Bylaw, Article 12, Section 201-1. The Zoning Board of Appeals is a quasi-judicial body and has a duty to act as an objective, unbiased and professional adjudicator of matters before it. Do you consider what is shown on the video to be an objective, unbiased and professional Zoning Board of Appeals Chair.

CLIMATE RESILIENCE PLANNER UPDATE – MARK REIL

Mr. Reil, Climate Resiliency and Sustainability Planner, gave a presentation update regarding what he is doing in relation to his newly formed role. Mr. Reil described his involvement in spearheading electric vehicle purchasing for the Town's fleet. Mr. Reil noted that the Town purchased one Ford Lightning and four Chevy Bolts. Mr. Reil stated that the Town will be installing four additional charging stations (full total of six), at the Cornish Parking Lot behind the Town Hall.

Mr. Reil described the work being done to submit grants to the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program that the Town is actively involved with. Mr. Reil noted that the Town completed the planning phase in 2009. Mr. Reil noted that the Bartlett Bridge Project has potential grant funding through the MVP program. Mr. Reil noted that a potential project is being formed to reduce the heat island effect in North Plymouth, which would include potential tree plantings and cool surfaces at parking lots.

Mr. Reil stated that the Town has a Green Community Designation with the State. Mr. Reil noted that Patrick Farah, Energy Officer has worked for years with the Energy Committee, including Holly States on having Plymouth be designated. Mr. Reil stated that the Town received a designation grant of \$270,000 for future projects.

DISTRIBUTION OF PROPOSED TOWN CHARTER

On a motion by Charlie Bletzer and seconded by Harry Helm, the Board voted to approve the use of funds of \$75,000 from the A&F reserve, to print and mail copies of the Proposed Red-Lined Town Charter to all households with at least one registered voter.

Voted 5/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Yes

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Brindisi stated that due to recent extreme cold temperatures, the Fire Department received 40 calls for service regarding water breaks. Mr. Brindisi stated that Dr. Campbell confirm four water breaks in School buildings. Mr. Brindisi stated that the basement floor of CAL had a water break as well, however, there was minimal damage that occurred. Mr. Brindisi stated that there was a serious water break at the Simes House, regarding a sprinkler, causing significant damage to the first floor. Mr. Brindisi stated that the temporarily moved out of the Simes House.

SELECT BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

Mr. Bletzer asked about the status of the rodent infestation at Plymouth Elementary School. Mr. Brindisi stated that he has been in communication with Dr. Campbell and that the School District is actively working to remediate the issue. Mr. Brindisi stated that Ms. Keane, Health Director has been actively working with the Schools.

Mr. Helm asked Mr. Senesi to work on advertising for vacancies on the Distinguished Visitors Committee. Mr. Helm noted that Charlotte Fultz passed away, and sends his condolences to her family.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Betty Cavacco and seconded by Charlie Bletzer, the Board voted to adjourn the Open Session at 7:17 p.m.

Voted 5/0 By Roll Call: Mahoney-Yes, Cavacco-Yes, Helm-Yes, Bletzer-Yes, Quintal-Yes

Recorded by: Anthony Senesi

Assistant to the Select Board/Town Manager