

**ROCKPORT SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016
7:00 P.M.
ROCKPORT OPERA HOUSE MEETING ROOM**

Present: Chair William (Bill) Chapman, Vice Chair, Kenneth McKinley, Tracy Lee Murphy, Geoffrey Parker and Owen Casas. Also present: Richard C. Bates, Town Manager, the press and members of the public

I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Bill Chapman, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

a. Approval of the minutes of the:

- Friday, April 1, 2016 special meeting of the Select Board

Tracy Murphy moved to table the minutes of the Friday, April 1, 2016 special meeting of the Select Board. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED).

- Monday, April 11, 2016 Executive Session of the Select Board

Kenneth McKinley moved to accept as presented the minutes of the Monday, April 11, 2016 Executive Session. Tracy Murphy seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED).

- Monday, April 11, 2016, meeting of the Select Board

Tracy Murphy moved to table the Monday, April 11, 2016, meeting of the Select Board. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

- Tuesday, April 19, 2016, special meeting and public hearing of the Select Board

Tracy Murphy moved to approve as amended on page 3 “Lisa” to “Lissa, Representative of ecomaine” the minutes of the Tuesday, April 19, 2016 special meeting and public hearing of the Select Board meeting. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED).

- b. Next Regular Select Board Meeting on Monday, June 20, 2016, 7:00 PM, Rockport Opera House Meeting Room and will be streamed at <http://livestream.com/Rockportmaine>
- c. Upcoming Select Board meetings, workshops and executive sessions – See agenda
- d. Annual Town Meeting – See agenda

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- e. Announcements: See agenda
- f. Upcoming Ad Hoc Library Planning Committee Meetings – See agenda
- g. Committee Openings: - See agenda
- h. Agenda Changes – None
- i. Public Comment –

Helen Shaw – I would like to receive notice when the high sidewalk work is going to be done. Those of us who live in that area would appreciate being notified.

Chris Sady – I am a twenty-year resident of the Town of Rockport. I have sent a letter to the Ad Hoc Planning Committee members and of the Select Board and have not received any response back from them. She then read the letter. (See attached.)

II. Town Manager’s Report – See attached

III. Unfinished Business

- a. Discuss changing the name of the Ad Hoc Technology Committee to the Technology Task Force; report on the progress to date

John Viehman – we would like to have the name changed. I didn’t realize that it needs to be voted on.

Bill – we gave you the name and we can change it. If we do it will need terms and bylaws.

John – we are trying to stay focused and have had five meetings. They have voted to have me as the Chair and Steve Hand as the Vice-chair. All meetings are open and posted. We have minutes of them as well. I just found out that the grant we applied for didn’t make it. We will be having a presentation on June 2nd. We have had a study of fiber engineering done and are focusing on having answers for any questions that may be asked of us.

Ken – are you focusing on the engineering only? This Board hasn’t decided on anything.

John – in layman terms that has brought us to where we are.

Geoff – if you support the \$300,000, you are more or less supporting fiber for the Town.

Owen – what about Tilson? At some point, they will need to answer some questions.

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John – why?

Bill – what they have done is what they have been paid for.

Rick – when we go to them it costs us money.

Bill - \$300, 000 is to get all the hard numbers on costs.

Ken – the Tilson study got us to where we are now.

John – we would like to have the name of “Ad Hoc Tech Task Force.”

Ken – I would like to leave it to what it is and to change it later.

John - we have a good committee. Joe Sternowski has been attending the meetings and I would strongly support him as a member.

Joe Sternowski- I have lived here for two years in September. I have been looking for ways to serve the Town and believe that this is the committee I would like to join.

Tracy – Joe is a very positive person.

The vote to appoint Joe was taken at this point. Please see IV. g. below.

IV. Public Hearing

- a. A New Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Mainely Bartenders, LLC (Matthew Brennan) at 303 Commercial Street, Rockport, ME

Bill opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m.

In favor – None

In Opposition – None

Neither for nor against – None

Hearing closed at 7:57 p.m.

- b. A new Malt Liquor License for Goose River Golf Club (Goose River Holdings, LLC) at 50 Park Street, Rockport, ME

Bill opened the public hearing at 7:57 p.m.

In favor – None

In Opposition – None

Neither for nor against – None

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Hearing closed at 7:58 p.m.

- c. A new Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME

Bill opened the public hearing at 7:58 p.m.

In favor – None
In Opposition – None
Neither for nor against – None

Hearing closed at 7:59 p.m.

- d. A Special Amusement Permit for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME

Bill opened the public hearing at 7:59 p.m.

In favor – None
In Opposition – None
Neither for nor against – None

Hearing closed at 8:00 p.m.

V. New Business

- a. Vote to approve a New Malt and Vinous Liquor License for Mainely Bartenders, LLC (Matthew Brennan) at 303 Commercial Street, Rockport, ME

Mark – have no issues with approving this liquor license.

Tracy Murphy moved to approve a New Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Mainely Bartenders (Matthew Brennan) at 303 Commercial Street, Rockport, ME. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSE

- b. Vote to approve a new Malt Liquor License for Goose River Golf Club (Goose River Holdings, LLC) at 50 Park Street, Rockport, ME

Tracy Murphy moved to approve a New Malt Liquor License for Goose River Golf Club (Goose River Holdings, LLC) at 50 Park Street, Rockport, ME. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSE

- c. Vote to approve a new Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME

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Tracy Murphy moved to approve the New Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquor License for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSE

- d. Vote to approve a Special Amusement Permit for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME

Tracy Murphy moved to approve a Special Amusement Permit for Nina June (Sara Jenkins) at 24 Central Street, Rockport, ME. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

- e. Acknowledgment of Gifts to the Town: None this meeting

- f. Committee Resignation(s)

- Mark Masterson – Zoning Board of Appeals

Kenneth McKinley moved to accept the resignation of Mark Masterson from the Zoning Board of Appeals with regret and to send him a letter of thanks. Tracy Murphy seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

- g. Committee Application(s)

- Joseph Sternowski – Ad Hoc Technology Committee

Tracy Murphy moved to appoint Joseph Sternowski to the Ad Hoc Technology Committee. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

- h. North East Mobile Health Services presentation

Dennis Simmons – we are now located at 6 Rockport Park Center. We have class room space. We will be having an open house on Saturday, May 21st at 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We have updated our cardiac monitors and have a neo natal truck. Some of Pen Bay's ER staff will be at the opening. We will have car seat inspections and activities for the kids to help us decorate. We will have AED and CPR staff to set up trainings.

Ken – I am personally very pleased and glad that you are permanently located here.

Dennis – we are doing okay. There have been less slips and falls and car accidents this year.

Geoff – do you run better if you have access to high-speed internet?

Dennis – yes

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i. Discuss assigning the Ordinance Review Committee a “supplemental” task list

Ken – how broadly do we want them to look at the Ordinances? We need to decide.

Tracy – I don’t know if I am for or against broadening this.

Bill – I think that they should review them and tweak them.

Geoff – we should utilize their experience. If it is well written, then the better off the Town will be.

Ken – they are willing to review the Road Ordinance and use their expertise. It would be helpful.

Bill – June is not very far away. Should we set a date and have it fairly soon? We should add it to their task list.

Ken – I think that the Sidewalk one will be fairly quick to review. We should take this opportunity to do it now as they have already talked about it.

Owen – we should have a presentation in September.

Ken – we should keep it fairly limited.

Bill – are there any objections to the Road and Sidewalk Ordinances and their bylaws being reviewed?

There weren’t any objections.

j. Review the members of each committee whose term is expiring on June 30

Bill – we should get input from the Committee chairs.

Ken – we should start the process in January and talk to the chair and the liaison.

The Board discussed having a kickoff in January and then in February for committees that meet less than monthly.

k. Approval of the Tuesday, June 14, 2016 and Wednesday, June 15, 2016 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Tracy Murphy moved to approve the warrant that will be presented on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 and Wednesday, June 15, 2016 as the days for the Annual Town Meeting. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

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Break at 8:50 p.m. to 8:55 p.m.

- l. Vote to approve taking \$7,000.00 from the Harbor Boat Reserve Fund to purchase a Carolina Skiff, thereby extending the expected life of the boat of the Harbor Master – Andre

Rick and Geoff – agreed that a work boat would save Andre’.

Owen – I am checking the numbers as we are overdrawing an account.

Bill – no, we have \$14,572.91 in the account. By doing this we should extend the life of the Harbormaster’s boat.

Geoffrey Parker moved to withdraw \$7,000.00 from the Harbor Boat Reserve Fund (G 2-3850-00) to purchase a 14 foot Carolina Skiff, 9,9 HP outboard motor and trailer. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

- m. Approve the Town Manager to accept all General Assistance donations with the thanks of the Select Board

Kenneth McKinley moved to authorize the Town Manager to accept all General Assistance donations with the thanks of the Select Board. Tracy Murphy seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0

- n. Review the suggested schedule of committee presentations: See agenda

Tracy – I am not sure that it is good to have any other presentation on the same date as we have the Library Ad Hoc Planning Committee.

Bill – hopefully, we will have something ready to be on the November ballot for a new library.

- o. Correct the motion made on June 22, 2015, regarding the utilizing of the Harbor Float Reserve for piling work

Kenneth McKinley moved to correct a motion made on June 22, 2015 by Kenneth McKinley as follows: To permit funds from the Harbor Float Reserve (G 2-3825-00) (corrected from previous motion of account # G 2-3850-00) to be expended to the extent necessary to complete the Harbor Piling Replacement in the current calendar year, with the acknowledgment that the reserve fund will most likely be overdrawn. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

VI. WASTERWATER COMMISSIONERS

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Tracy Murphy moved to leave as Select Board and enter as Wastewater Commissioners. Geoffrey Parker seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

a. Commitment of Commercial Sewer User Rates for the period of March 2016

Tracy Murphy moved to commit the March 2016 Wastewater User/Debt Fees totaling \$90,462.05 to the Treasurer for collection. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED.

Tracy Murphy moved to leave as Wastewater Commissioners and to go back into session as the Select Board. Kenneth McKinley seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

VII. LIAISON REPORTS

The Board each gave their report of what has happened with their assigned committees.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. None this meeting

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Kenneth McKinley moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 p.m. Tracy Murphy seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA M. GREENLAW
TOWN CLERK as RECORDING SECRETARY