

**Town of Kennebunkport
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
January 10, 2013
Village Fire Station, 32 North St.—7 PM**

Minutes of the Selectmen Meeting of January 10, 2013

Selectmen attending: Stuart E. Barwise, Sheila Matthews-Bull, D. Michael Weston

Absent: Allen A. Daggett

Others: Pat Briggs, Michael Davis, Richard Driver, David James, John Hirst, Alex Lachiato, Jeff Lunde, Robert Metcalf, Arlene McMurray, Larry S. Mead, Durwood Parkinson, Craig Sanford, Bob Sherman, Wayne Fessenden,

1. Call to Order.

Chair Matthews-Bull called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. Approve the December 13, and 27, 2012, selectmen meeting minutes.

Motion by Selectman Barwise, seconded by Selectman Weston, to approve the December 13, 2012, selectmen meeting minutes. **Vote:** 3-0.

The Board will approve the December 27, 2013, minutes at the next meeting.

3. Public Forum (This is an opportunity for anyone who wants to address the Board of Selectmen with any issue that is not on the agenda).

Pat Briggs introduced himself to the Board; he is running for Selectman. He presented his background: a resident for the past 12 years, a former B-52 pilot instructor in the Air Force, a Vietnam veteran, president of Newcomers, has a Masters Degree in management and was a real estate agent. His wife is also a Vietnam veteran and a nurse teaching at UNE. He said the Air Force encourages volunteerism, and that is what he and his wife like to do.

4. Consider a renewal application for a liquor license submitted by Leigh O. Blood and Loryn D. Kipp, DBA Captain Fairfield Inn, 8 Pleasant Street.

Motion by Selectman Weston, seconded by Selectman Barwise, to approve the renewal application for a liquor license submitted by Leigh O. Blood and Loryn D. Kipp, DBA Captain Fairfield Inn, 8 Pleasant Street. **Vote:** 3-0.

Chair Matthews-Bull added that this establishment was inspected and approved by the police chief, fire inspector, and code enforcement officer.

5. **Accept the following donations to the Kennebunkport Public Health Department from:**
- a. **Anonymous donors in the amount of \$19,000, (\$3,000, \$5,000, \$5,000, \$6,000) to be directed to the dedicated emergency fuel account.**
 - b. **Anonymous donor in the amount of \$1,000 to be dedicated to providing emergency fuel, food, medication for residents in need.**
 - c. **Anonymous donor in the amount of \$5,000 of which \$2,500 is to be dedicated to the emergency fuel program and \$2,500 dedicated to the Church Community Outreach Services.**
 - d. **Atlantic Hall Board of Directors in the amount of \$1,000, to be dedicated toward providing emergency fuel, food, and medication for residents in need.**
 - e. **Two checks from the Church on the Cape in the amount of \$1,000 from church members, and \$1,412 from their Thanksgiving offerings, to be dedicated to providing emergency fuel, food, or medication for residents in need.**

Motion by Selectman Barwise, seconded by Selectman Weston, to approve the donations in the amount of \$28,412.00 dedicated to providing emergency fuel, food or medications to residents in need with great appreciation and admiration for this level of generosity. **Vote:** 3-0.

6. **Consider relocating two parking spaces on Kings Highway in front of 239 and 241 Kings Highway.**

Town Manager Larry Mead explained that the Beach Ordinance requires any changes in parking spaces at Goose Rocks Beach to go through the Beach Advisory Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Bob Metcalf, of Mitchell and Associates, explained the parking space changes which would place the parking spaces closer to the right-of-way. He said they went to the Planning Board to reconfigure lots and driveways and the Beach Advisory Board unanimously endorsed these changes. The two parking spaces are not for the applicant, but for the public.

Richard Driver pointed out that people do not observe the speed limit on this street and was concerned because one parking space, which is about 30 feet long, is near the crosswalk where the view is obstructed, creating a safety hazard for adults or running kids. He said there is not much time to put on the brakes before you notice someone in the crosswalk. He said the new spaces

would be creating a hazard that does not exist now and suggested, to prevent future problems, going back to the Beach Advisory Committee and having the applicant hire a traffic engineer to look at parking spaces.

Mr. Lachiato was concerned about liability issues if someone gets hit. He asked why they had to have two parking spaces.

Mr. Mead explained that the Ordinance requires 173 parking spaces. So if they eliminate a space in one spot, it must be replaced somewhere else. He added that the Town is not obligated to move parking spaces. The applicant can re-design their property.

Police Chief Craig Sanford thought the parking spaces would work. His bigger concern was not having a stop sign on Bartlett Avenue.

Selectman Barwise wanted to know the DOT standard.

Mr. Mead pointed out that if they followed DOT standards, they would have wider and fewer roads. He said they could not apply DOT standards to all of the Town's roads.

Wayne Fessenden gave the historical background of how these parking spaces came about. They were identified by the previous police chief as the best possible spots to get in and out. The area in question is the last remaining area to be addressed. He said he does not know of anyone ever getting hit besides him, and that was in the winter. He said changing and compressing the space would go against what was set and suggested looking at spaces that were previously eliminated.

John Hirst, highway superintendent, added he knows of one other spot they could put back.

Selectman Barwise suggested letting the Beach Advisory Committee address these issues and have Mr. Metcalf check on other options.

Motion by Selectman Barwise, seconded by Selectmen Weston, to table the relocation of parking spaces on Kings Highway until they receive more information. **Vote:** 3-0.

7. Other business.

a. March 26, 2013, Warrant.

Chair Matthews-Bull said they will be removing the Christmas decorations on Monday at Dock Square. She thanked all the volunteers who helped.

Selectman Weston thanked the Police and Fire Departments, and everyone in-

volved in the search for the missing students from the Landing School of Boat Building. He also thanked the highway crew for their good job removing snow.

Mr. Mead asked the public to be patient about the snow on the sidewalks. He explained that the highway crew may be working 17 hours a day, and they need a break. Also, it is very common for the equipment to break down.

Mr. Mead said the applications papers for Selectman should be turned in by February 11. Election Day is March 26. On the ballot is the election of a Selectman and whether to withdraw from the RSU. Since every town must have voter approval, he will ask that renewing the contract with Casella be put on the ballot.

Mr. Mead announced that the next Beach Advisory Committee Meeting is on Tuesday, January 15, at 6 PM, at the Village Fire Station and will be rebroadcast on cable channels 2/16, on Mondays, at 9 PM, and Tuesdays at 5 PM.

8. Consider the January 10, 2013, Treasurer's Warrant.

Motion by Selectman Barwise, seconded by Selectman Weston to approve the January 10, 2013, Treasurer's Warrant. Vote: 3-0.

9. Adjournment.

Motion by Selectman Barwise, seconded by Selectman Weston to adjourn.
Vote: 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Submitted by

Arlene McMurray
Administrative Assistant