

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S
MEETING MINUTES
6:00/7:00PM MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014
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6:00PM: Committee Interviews/Joint Meeting with Planning Board

Present: Chairman Mary Andrews, Vice-Chairman Robert E. Palmer, Jr., Ronald Nowell, Jonathan O. Speers, Town Manager Stephen H. Burns and members of the press and public.

Absent: Torbert Macdonald

Call to Order

Chairman Mary Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Opening Ceremonies

A. Minutes

B. Chairman's Report

Chairman Mary Andrews commented on the Festival of Lights Parade that took place the previous weekend, along with the lights and decorations throughout the village. Ms. Andrews also spoke of the *Wreaths Across America* program that passed through York today and their donation of a wreath for every veteran's grave.

C. Manager's Report

Town Manager Stephen Burns stated that he appointed Director of Human Resources Liam Gallagher as the Alternate General Assistance Representative to aid in the General Assistance program when the General Assistance Director is unavailable. Mr. Burns also spoke of the FEMA remapping that has started being discussed again and hopes to get a timeframe of adoption within the next few months. The Town received a draft survey from Easterly Surveying on the Long Beach Bathhouse that is not yet stamped; Mr. Burns stated that it would be discussed at the next meeting.

D. Awards

E. Reports

1. Dave McCarthy - Cycle York

Dave McCarthy of *Cycle York* gave an overview of the group's request for the Selectmen to establish a Town Chartered Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. Mr. McCarthy discussed the possibility of the Committee developing a Master Plan for the Town to achieve the benefits of safe and accessible bicycling and walking in York.

2. Natalie Gould of York Hospital – Rural Active Living Assessment Report

Natalie Gould of *Choose to be Healthy Coalition* gave an overview of a program from the past summer that was conducted by town staff, community members and their group called the Rural Active Living Assessment. In partnership with *Healthy Maine*, they are being asked by the State of Maine CDC to use the RALA tools to assess the community's physical, programmatic and policy environments as they relate to opportunities for physical activity.

3. Denis Lachman – York Village Study Committee

Denis Lachman and Regina Leonard of TDRC supplemented a memo to the Board of Selectmen with a presentation regarding: Earlier Revitalization Efforts, The first and second Village Study Committee public events, economic development, *Marketfest* participation, A non-profit partner event, along with Current options, connections and outreach.

F. Citizens' Forum – The Citizens' Forum is open to any member of the audience for comments on items listed on this meeting agenda. All comments should be respectful in tone and should be directed to the Chair. Comments should be brief and to the point. Questions that require extended answers or that cannot be readily answered will be referred to the Town Manager for follow-up. Anyone who wishes to submit a written request for future agenda items can do so on the form available at this meeting or may obtain the form through the Town Manager's Office.

Public Comment: Ana Knowles

G. Approval of Warrant #23

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to approve Warrant #23. Vote 4-0, motion passes.

H. Public Hearings

1. New Business License: Velveteen Habit

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to open the public hearing on the new business license for The Velveteen Habit. Without objection, so ordered.

Public Comment: None

Moved by Mr. Nowell, second by Mr. Speers to close the public hearing on the new business license for The Velveteen Habit. Without objection, so ordered.

2. General Assistance Ordinance

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to open the public hearing on the General Assistance Ordinance. Without objection, so ordered.

Public Comment: Katie McWilliams

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to close the public hearing on the General Assistance Ordinance. Without objection, so ordered.

3. York River Wild and Scenic Program

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to open the public hearing on the York River Wild and Scenic Program. Without objection, so ordered.

Public Comment: Michael Dow
Jamie Fosburgh
Kyle Moulton
Bonita Pothier
Judith Spang
Georgia Bennett
Karen Young
Emerson Baker
Carol Donnelly
Michael Dow

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Palmer to close the public hearing on the York River Wild and Scenic Program. Without objection, so ordered.

Chairman Andrews called a 5 minute recess.

I. Endorsements

Business Licenses:

1. Anthony Graziano DBA: Anthony's Food Shop, Inc. (Food Service); Located at 679 US Route One
2. Boardman-Ellis VFW Post 6977 (Food Service, Liquor, Special Amusement, Coin-Operated Amusement); Located at 75 Cape Neddick Road

3. Benjamin Goldman DBA: The Velveteen Habit (Food Service, Liquor); Located at 37 Ogunquit Road
4. Viewpoint Corporation DBA: Viewpoint Hotel (Innkeeper); Located at 229 Nubble Road
5. York Elks Lodge #2788 (Food Service, Liquor, Special Amusement, Coin-Operated Amusement); Located at 1704 US Route One

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to approve the following Business Licenses: Anthony Graziano DBA: Anthony's Food Shop, Inc. for Food Service; Located at 679 US Route One, Boardman-Ellis VFW Post 6977 for Food Service, Liquor, Special Amusement and Coin-Operated Amusement; Located at 75 Cape Neddick Road, Benjamin Goldman DBA: The Velveteen Habit for Food Service and Liquor; Located at 37 Ogunquit Road, Viewpoint Corporation DBA: Viewpoint Hotel for Innkeeper; Located at 229 Nubble Road, York Elks Lodge #2788 for Food Service, Liquor, Special Amusement and Coin-Operated Amusement; Located at 1704 US Route One subject to taxes, fees and inspections being current and compliant with the usual noise stipulations. Vote 4-0, motion passes.

J. Old Business

K. New Business

1. Discussion Regarding a York Village Sign

The York Village Association has been working to install a sign along York Street notifying people that they are entering historic York Village. Mr. Burns brought this in front of the Board to see if there is any interest in looking for alternative solutions. Ana Knowles of the York Village Association spoke to the Board about the Associations opinion of needing a larger sign than allowed by the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Burns will be looking into this item and will bring it forward on the next agenda.

2. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt an Updated General Assistance Ordinance

RN/JS. Vote 4-0, motion passes.

3. Discussion Regarding Anticipated Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan Amendments Heading Towards the May 2015 Referendum

No further discussion after the joint workshop that the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen had before this meeting.

4. Discussion Regarding the York River Wild and Scenic Rivers Study and Local Considerations

No further discussion after the public hearing earlier in the meeting.

5. Discussion and Possible Action on Entering into Contract
Negotiations for a New Town Manager

Moved by Mr. Speers, seconded by Mr. Palmer to commence contract negotiations with Stephen H. Burns for the position of Town Manager. Vote 3-1, Mr. Nowell against, motion passes.

6. Planning Board Appointment

Moved by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Speers to appoint Gordon Eldridge as a Regular Member (beach representative) to the Planning Board, with a term expiring June 30, 2015. Vote 4-0, motion passes.

7. Board of Appeals Appointment

Moved by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Speers to appoint Victor Manougian as an Alternate Member to the Board of Appeals, with a term expiring June 30, 2015. Vote 4-0, motion passes.

L. Other Business

Ron: maine townsman, gun law - legal opinions,

M. Citizens' Forum

Public Comment: None

Adjourn

Moved by Mr. Nowell, seconded by Mr. Speers to adjourn the meeting at 10:20PM. Without objection, so ordered.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa M. Avery