

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**  
September 4, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held at 7:07 p.m. in the Sharon Town Hall with Chairman William A. Heitin, Selectman Walter Joe Roach, Selectman Richard Powell and Town Administrator Benjamin Puritz.

**ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSE AT THE SHARON COMMUNITY CENTER**

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**VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted to approve a one day liquor license for Peter Reppoli at the Sharon Community Center on September 15, 2012

**HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR COMPENSATION**

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Chairman Heitin said the Board has a copy of Ms. Peck's memo as well as a copy of the Health Administrator Job Description. The question before the Board was the starting step for the new Health Administrator. Selectman Roach said that items had been worked out with the Mid-Level Professional group regarding the position and the union was in agreement with the Step 4. .

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**VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted unanimously that the Health Administrator start at Step 4.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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**VOTED:** (Roach/Heitin) Voted to approve the Regular Session and Executive Session Minutes of July 24, 2012 (Powell abstained because he did not attend the meeting)

**VOTED:** (Powell/Roach) Voted to approve the Regular Session of August 8, 2012 (Powell abstained because he did not attend the meeting)

**VOTED:** (Powell/Roach) Voted to approve the Regular Session Minutes of August 21, 2012 (Heitin abstained because he did not attend the meeting)

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**DISCUSSION REGARDING DECEMBER 3, 2012 TOWN MEETING**

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Chairman Heitin said that most likely there will be a Town Meeting on December 3, 2012.

**VOTED:** (Powell/Roach) Voted unanimously to open the Warrant for the December 3, 2012 Town Meeting.

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**APPOINTMENT OF RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Selectman Powell said there were two excellent candidates - one with a lot of experience and another who would be an excellent addition to the Committee.

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**VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted unanimously to appoint Mitch Blaustein to the Recreation Advisory Committee for the term to expire December 13, 2014. .

## **APPOINTMENT OF THE RECREATION DIRECTOR SCREENING COMMITTEE**

- Chairman Heitin said thus far the members of the Screening Committee include: Town Administrator Ben Puritz, former Recreation Director Dave Clifton, Personnel Board representative Valeda Britton and Recreation Advisory Committee representative Neal Grossman. The Board has one more position on the Committee. They discussed the attributes of both candidates for the Recreation Director Screening Committee and decided to appoint Mike Bossin.

- **VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted unanimously to appoint Mike Bossin to the Recreation Director Screening Committee

## **APPROVAL OF BANNER REQUEST**

- **VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted to approve the banner request by the Sharon Lacrosse Association from September 17 – 24 (1<sup>st</sup> position) and October 15 – 22 (1<sup>st</sup> position). For the second week if anyone else is interested in the banner position then the Lacrosse Association will be bumped.

## **COMCAST FRANCHISE LICENSE RENEWAL**

- Chairman Heitin said the Board will pass on this item tonight.

## **APPROVAL OF COVENANT FOR SOLAR FIELD INSTALLATION ON ROUTE 1**

Town Administrator Puritz said there was a review of the covenant by Town Counsel Lisa Whelan

**VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted to approve the covenant for Solar Field Installation on Route 1

## **APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE FOR CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL**

- Chairman Heitin explained that Gloria Rose of the Sharon Cultural Arts Council asked that the work cycle of the Cultural Arts Council would better fit with a term that begins on July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

- **VOTED:** (Roach/Powell) Voted unanimously to approve the following members for a term to expire

- June 30, 2013 Bob Levin and Mary Kelly
- June 30, 2014 Ken Brody and Joan Spano
- June 30, 2015 Gloria Rose and Georgette Kafka

## **CONSIDER SIGNING DIESSO PURCHASE AND SALE**

Town Administrator Puritz explained that the Board was waiting for the final copy of the Purchase & Sale from Associate Town Counsel Lisa Whelan.

## **CONSIDER SUPPORTING MASSWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT APPLICATION**

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Chairman Heitin explained that this grant would benefit the Sharon Commons commercial and residential components.

Robert Shelmerdine representing the Congress Group, stated that the MassWorks grant application is for the commercial and residential components of the project near Highway 95 across the street from Shaw's Plaza.

Susan Gittleman of B'Nai Brith Housing was in attendance as well. The funds being requested are for the development of the road as well the development of the septic treatment plant. The application is for \$4,000,000 with \$2.5 million for improvements to the road and \$1.5 million for a waster water treatment plant for the residential component. The grant is due on September 10, 2012. Mr. Shelmerdine stated that last year when the application was submitted it only included the commercial component and did not include the housing component. Susan Gittleman of B'Nai Brith said the housing component in the south parcel would include 139 units to include 70 units of 100% affordable units for working professionals as well as 69 condominiums. She said on the south parcel they would like to develop a 62 unit assisted living project. She said the commercial and residential units very much compliment one another. She said the application will be a much more attractive proposal to the state because of the addition of the residential component. She said the state has identified Sharon as a "high opportunity community." Ms. Gittleman said that she would be coming before the Selectmen again in a few weeks to ask for further support for the residential 40R component subsidized loan credits or programs.

**VOTED:** (Powell/Roach) Voted unanimously to approve the submittal of the MassWorks Grant Application as discussed.

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**VOTED:** (Powell/Roach) Voted unanimously to discuss Collective Bargaining – Fire fighters, and SMEA Negotiations, Comcast franchise license renewal with Peter Epstein and Chuck Levin and consideration of execution of Comcast license renewal. Discussion of these items in public session would be detrimental to the Town and at the end of Executive Session will adjourn for the evening.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Heitin: Aye

Roach: Aye

Powell: Aye