

**MINUTES**  
**SHARON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
April 1, 2014

The meeting of the Sharon Board of Selectmen was called to order in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at Sharon Town Hall at 7:04pm with Chairman Walter "Joe" Roach and Selectman William A. Heitin.

**Public Hearing – Beach and Boat Fees at Lake Massapoag**

**MOTION:** To open the public hearing  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

Recreation Director Amanda Levasseur explained that the department is proposing an increase in passes, approximately \$6.00 per pass due to staff wage increase and the issuance fee. Additional fees are applied to non-resident passes (boat and Community Center Beach), combo passes and replacement passes.

Additionally, there is a new boat procedure change – all boat uses must have a pass to access the lake and boat passes can only be purchased if purchaser has provided a boat registration or trailer number. The Memorial Park Beach car pass will now include kayaks and canoes, and boats will be checked upon entrance.

Ms. Levasseur reviewed the beach tag fee structure for 2014 and noted the Recreation Advisory Committee approved these changes. The fee structure proposal is as follows:

<i><b>Tag Type</b></i>	<i><b>2014</b></i>
Walk-in Tags	\$ 21.00
Senior Walk-in Tags	\$ 12.00
Car Tag	\$ 67.00
Add'l Car Tag	\$ 37.00
Senior Car Tag	\$ 34.00
Add'l Senior Car Tag	\$ 19.00
Pkg Family 1 car pass, 2 walk in's	\$ 90.00
Pkg Sr. Family 1 Sr. car pass, 2 Sr. walk in's	\$ 50.00
Handicap Car	\$ 35.00
Handicap Car Add'l Car	\$ 20.00
Handicap Car-Sr	\$ 18.00
Handicap Car-Sr Add'l Car	\$ 10.50
Boat Parking Permits-Res	\$ 75.00
Boat Parking Permits-Non	\$ 100.00
Boat Parking Discount w/ Car	\$ 37.00
<small>For residents only: Discount only applicable at time of boat pass purch</small>	
Replacement Tag	\$ 15.00
Non-resident Tag (C.C. Beach)	\$ 100.00

Selectman Heitin believes that the boat launching parking issue is still ongoing and it's far from over. He is okay with the fee structure as is. He is advising the public that there may be a further change down the line. Selectman Heitin suggested increasing the boat parking permits for non-residents to \$150.

Chairman Roach thinks the increase for the walk-in tags is too high – it would be a \$6.00 increase, up to \$21.00. Finance Director Bill Fowler noted that Kelly & Ryan have eaten the credit card processing fees in the past. They basically lowered their fee from us. He added that we can't expect them to subsidize this again in the past. Chairman Roach proposed increasing the walk-in tags from \$15.00 to \$19.00.

**MOTION:** To approve the 2014 proposed fee structure with the following changes:  
Walk-In Tags will be \$19.00 and the Boat Parking Permits – Non Residents will be \$150.00  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

**MOTION:** To close the hearing at 7:20pm  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **Storage Container Placement Request – Deborah Sampson Fields**

Michael Polimer is representing SYBSA. They are requesting that they be allowed to place a 40 foot storage container at Deborah Sampson Park, behind the D field. It will back up to the train bridge. They can paint it green to make it less noticeable. It would be used to store supplies and equipment.

**MOTION:** To approve the storage container placement request at Deborah Sampson Fields by SYBSA  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** To approve the regular session minutes of March 10, 2014  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** To approve the regular and executive session minutes of March 18, 2014  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **Commission on Disabilities Appointments**

**MOTION:** To appoint Faye Berzon and Jana Katz to the Commission on Disabilities for terms to expire on December 31, 2017  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **Deborah Samson Forever Stamp Support Letter**

**MOTION:** To approve the letter to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee to support Deborah Samson Forever Stamp  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

#### **2014 Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Signing & Taking Position on Articles**

The Board reviewed the list of articles and indicated their positions:

## SPECIAL WITHIN THE ANNUAL

Article	Topic	BOS Action
1	FY14 Snow & Ice Deficit Appropriation	Waiting for amount

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Article	Topic	BOS Action
1	RSH Brickstone – Zoning By-Law Change	Support – 2-0
2	RSH Brickstone – General By-Law Change	Support – 2-0
3	RSH Brickstone – Accept Gift & Purchase	Support – 2-0
4	Personnel By-Law	Support – 2-0
5	Budgets/Compensation of Elected Officials	Support – 2-0
6	Public Safety Building Funding	Support – 2-0
7	Finance Committee Members	Support – 2-0
8	Deferred Benefits	Support – 2-0
9	OPEB Funds	Support – 2-0
10	Capital Outlay Articles	Support – 2-0
11	Library Feasibility Study Authorization	Support – 2-0
12	Library Authorization to Apply for a Planning & Design Grant	Support – 2-0
13	Norfolk County Retirement	Support – 2-0
14	Stabilization Fund Addition	Support – 2-0
15	Unemployment	Support – 2-0
16	Sharon Friends School Fund Records & Appointments	Support – 2-0
17	Act upon Reports	Support – 2-0
18	Annual Audit	Support – 2-0
19	Property Tax Exemptions – Veterans, Blind, Disabled and others qualified	Support – 2-0
20	Medical Marijuana Zoning By-Law Change	Support – 2-0
21	CPC Annual Funding – Administrative	Support – 2-0
22	Revolving Fund Authorizations	Support – 2-0
23	Citizen Petition - encourages town officials to promote measures that conserve vital water and energy resources, and minimize carbon emissions	Not Support – 2-0
24	Citizen Petition - request that the Board of Selectmen write to President Obama, asking him to instruct the Surgeon General of the United States to prepare a report on Dental Amalgam Health	Not Support – 2-0

Selectman Heitin expressed concern about the citizens' petitions – he believes Town Meeting isn't the forum for these non-binding issues. Chairman Roach agrees.

### Collective Bargaining Agreement Signing – Local 1880 IAFF

Chairman Roach noted that the Board signed the Fire Department collective bargaining contract at a recent executive session and indicated the salary increase is 2% per year.

## **Norfolk County Dispatch Agreement**

Chairman Roach explained that he signed the Norfolk County Dispatch agreement for another two years.

## **Meredith de Carbonnel – Candidate for Conservation Commission**

Ms. De Carbonnel explained to the Board that she is a former member of the Conservation Commission and is a wetlands scientist. Her time was restricted before and she has more availability now and would like to serve again. Chairman Roach asked if she has kept up with the ConCom issues and she noted that some of the issues are still ongoing. Selectman Heitin asked if she has considered serving on the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Appeals and she said that her passion is the science and conservation.

The Board thanked her for her time.

Chairman Roach noted that they need to make a motion to sign the warrant

**MOTION:** To sign the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for May 5, 2014, as drafted  
(Heitin – Roach) 2-0 **PASSES**

## **Topics not reasonably anticipated forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting**

Selectman Heitin noted that the Board voted to sign the development agreement and it was signed yesterday. There have been a number of public meetings and hearings on this issue. The other main issue for Town Meeting is the public safety building. They have revised the budget and are working with the Standing Building Committee.

Chairman Roach added that the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee is still looking for volunteers.

## **Executive Session – 7:36pm**

**MOTION:** To enter into Executive Session to discuss real property transfer, DPW collective bargaining, conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel and pending litigation, and at the end, to adjourn for the evening. Discussion of any of these items in open session would be detrimental to the Town.

Roach: Aye  
Heitin: Aye

## **Adjournment**

**MOTION:** To adjourn at 8:02pm

Roach: Aye  
Heitin: Aye