

Carver Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Carver Town Hall, 2nd Floor

April 4, 2017 - 7:00pm

In Attendance: Chairman Ronald Clarke, Vice-Chairman Alan Dunham, Sarah Hewins, Helen Marrone, Dave Robertson, Town Administrator Milanoski (TA) & Elaine Weston

Chair led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Dunham read the community prayer.

Citizens Participation:

Robert Belbin: In regards to the posting of Executive Session portion of the agenda including not putting acronyms in the posting.

Review, amendments and vote on remaining Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles:

Article #13: Planning Board Zoning Article-Bruce Maki Chairman of the Planning Board present: 4 Parts to the article:

Part A: Amend the Zoning Map... Planning Board voted 4-0 to approve.

Marrone questioned the intent of changing the zoning map and how will residents be impacted (positively or negatively). Bruce stated those residences asked to be zoned residential/agricultural. These residences effected overlap the Plympton town line. These two parcels are outside the Urban Renewal Plan boundaries and has no impact on the plan. Hewins questioned if two parcels keep it from being spot zoning. TA stated that it has to do with the abutting parcels which is existing zoned residential so it does not fall into the spot zoning category.

Motion by Dunham to approve part A, second by Robertson. Vote 5-0.

Part B: Amend Sec. 2230: to include Medical Office... The table of uses would be clarified for medical office use, which would allow a greater number of parking spaces. Planning Board voted 4-0.

Motion by Dunham to approve Part B, second by Marrone. Vote 5-0.

Part C: Amend definition of Kennel, Hobby to 6-10 dogs owned on premises...Planning Board voted 4-0.

Motion to approve by Marrone, second by Hewins. Vote 5-0.

Part D: Amend Sec. 3522: Prohibited Freestanding signs...Planning Board vote 4-0. The Planning Board found that new businesses were putting up their own boards instead of putting up a freestanding sign. The rule is already there, this is just to clarify it. This is for condo

buildings, not retail strip malls or stand alone businesses. Marrone contested that this applies to the 90 North Main St. businesses which are retail. Clarke stated that if signs were allowed to do that in a strip mall, then there could be many signs for each. Marrone would like to see this reviewed. Dunham questioned if there is a mechanism to punish the land owner if the by law isn't being followed by not giving out the information to the business owners. Bruce stated that he has spoken to the Building Inspector to enforce the sign bylaws. Clarke questioned the need for this bylaw.

Motion by Dunham to have No action taken on Part D, second by Marrone. Vote 5-0.

TA stated that there will be an interim Part-Time Planning Director brought on in conjunction with approval of the Planning Board.

Article #14: Master Plan Article: Hewins, a member of the Master Plan Committee presented – there was an emphasis on affordable housing for all ages as well as a need for a new Council on Aging that would be more centrally located. The new section is on agriculture. There are 8 sections required for the state including Carver's vision. Clarke stated that the Master Plan is not a binding document, but a guide book for reference as the path for the Town to take for future planning. TA stated it is essentially a business plan for the Town without the financial section.

Motion to approve by Marrone, second by Hewins. Vote 5-0.

Town Administrator Update:

Additional Community Compact Grant was awarded for over \$40,000 and a grant was submitted for town-wide IT.

Topping off ceremony at the new elementary school was held and the building is moving forward on schedule.

Fire Department Open House is April 15.

Town Meeting is April 11.

Gatra busses will be available for transportation to Town Meeting. The Gatra dispatcher will need to be notified on Monday, April 10 before 2pm.

Board of Selectmen Update:

Robertson: none

Hewins: Emphasized that changing the wording in the money articles is disrespectful

Marrone: Town Election 4/22-encouraged everyone to engage with the candidates.

Dunham: Town Meeting 4/11 7pm. Urged people to attend and vote.

Clarke: Is comfortable with the approach being taken at Town Meeting-a lot of time and effort went into the preparation of the budget and the process has been transparent.

Schedule Speakers for Town Meeting: TA asked the Board to assign speakers to certain articles. Article #2: Dunham suggested TA speak to that article. #5: Free Cash Allocation – Marrone, #6 & #7: Operating Budget-TA & Dunham, #9 part D: Stretch Code-Hewins, #11 Sr. Tax Relief-Duggan, #12 zoning: Robertson.

Annual review of Town Administrator's Performance: Clarke read the evaluation summary: For Fiscal 2017, in the crucial area of addressing the TA goals as set for him by the Board of Selectmen, Mr. Milanoski met expectations in his assignment to continue assessing the viability of regionalization of departments/town services and working with the Board of Assessors and Board of Health to review opportunities within those departments. In his second assigned goal of prioritizing the Human Resources Department structure and education, he was rated of having met expectations. His third goal of reviewing all departments that have been reorganized and making needed adjustments met Selectmen expectations. In rating his goal of working with the Superintendent of Schools on the feasibility for going to a town-wide facilities department, he significantly exceeded expectations. The Board believes that the Town Administrator's efforts on behalf of the Town's fiscal policies, OPEB obligations, oversight over town building projects and efforts involved in attracting additional sources of revenue to the town such as a new commercial development has resulted and will result in the savings of millions of dollars to the taxpayers of Carver. The Board of Selectmen is very pleased with the Town Administrator's performance, energy and hard work.

Mr. Milanoski met or exceeded expectations virtually across the Board in all the performance categories, there was consensus that there was still room for improvement in communicating with town departments and the community at large.

As part of the evaluation process, the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator will be reviewing his current contract, and any agreed upon changes will be announced at a future meeting.

Town-wide IT Department with School: Motion to approve a town-wide IT Department with the school by Dunham, second by Marrone. Hewins would like the motion to be conditional upon approval of the School Committee. Dunham amended the motion, to approve, in conjunction with approval from the School Committee, a town-wide IT Department with the School, second by Marrone. Vote 5-0.

Chapter 61A: First Right of Refusal – Wenham Road: Motion by Marrone to exercise the first of refusal, second by Dunham. Vote 5-0.

Approval of Minutes of 3/21/17: Motion to approve minutes by Dunham, second by Robertson. Vote 5-0.

Request for Use of Shurtleff Park: Democratic Town Committee 8/26. Motion to approve by Marrone, second by Dunham. Vote 5-0.

Monday April 10 TA will be attending a meeting in Boston with the Dept. of Education and DOR and requested any Selectmen interested in going to attend.

Next meetings: 4/11 Town Meeting

Hewins stated she will be recusing herself from the Health Care portion of executive session.

Motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 8:30pm to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining negotiations with unions: PEC/IAC-Health Care and with respect to non-union negotiations and with Town Administrator's Contract that may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town if held in open session, and to reconvene in open session for purpose of adjournment by Dunham, second by Robertson. Roll Call: Affirmative- Robertson, Hewins, Clarke, Marrone, Dunham.

Motion to adjourn at 9:40pm by Marrone, second by Dunham. 4-0