SELECT BOARD

Minutes of the Meeting of March 27, 2024. The hybrid meeting took place in person at the Public Safety Facility Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road; and, via remote participation using Zoom Webinar. Members of the Board present were Brooke Mohr, Tom Dixon, Matt Fee and Dr. Malcolm MacNab. Dawn Holdgate participated remotely.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Mohr called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, following the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. SELECT BOARD ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Select Board Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded.

2. Select Board Announcements/Comments. Mr. Fee said he was recently on Union Street and noticed that someone pushing a baby carriage was walking in the street because cars were parked on the sidewalks. He said it does not put Nantucket in a good light.

Mr. Fee said that Matt Haffenraffer is working on a short-term rental article for the 2024 annual town meeting and asked that an agenda item be scheduled for the Board's meeting on April 3rd to discuss this, with the potential of scheduling a special town meeting at the May 7, 2024 annual town meeting.

IV. FOLLOW-UP ON COMMENTS FROM PRIOR SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

There were no follow-up comments.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rebek Duhaime spoke on an email sent by "Nantucket Together" to the Board last week with some concerns about the short-term rental registration program. She asked that the Board designate a Town representative to work with the "Nantucket Together" group, to improve the program.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, WARRANTS AND PENDING CONTRACTS

Mr. Fee questioned some language as to a public comment, where the commenter went over time. Ms. Holdgate responded. Mr. Dixon moved approval of items VII. 1 - 2; seconded by Mr. Fee; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

1. Approval of Minutes of March 20, 2024 at 5:30 PM.

2. Approval of Treasury Warrants for March 27, 2024.

VIII. CITIZEN/DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE REQUESTS/REPORTS

1. Town Council Study Committee Update. Town Council Study Committee Chair Joe Grause reviewed an update on the committee's activities, as found in the Board's agenda packet. Mr. Fee requested that the Committee review other forms of government, besides Town Council. Mr. Grause said he believes the

Town Council form of government is more efficient and that has been the focus of the Committee. Some discussion followed about a contract with the University of Massachusetts Boston Collins Center discussed by the Board last week to assist the Committee, which was "held" by the Board pending acknowledgement by the Committee that other forms of government will be explored. Mr. Grause agreed that the Committee will take this up at an upcoming meeting.

2. Taxi Owners: Request to Schedule Public Hearing to: a) Increase Town of Nantucket Taxi Rates; b) Amend Town Regulations Chapter 367: Taxicabs, Charter, Limousine and Tour Vehicles. Ms. Mohr invited taxi owner Stan Pavlov to review the request for the Board to schedule a public hearing, noting that this item is not the actual public hearing. Mr. Pavlov reviewed the requests. Mr. Fee moved to schedule a public hearing; seconded by Dr. MacNab; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

3. Request for Proposed Tour Bus Parking on Washington Street. Real Estate Specialist Tracy MacDonald reviewed the background of the request, which involves Nantucket Regional Transit Authority bus parking at the Greenhound transportation center and the need to relocate private tour bus parking from a portion of that property; and a memo in the Board's packet from Transportation Program Manager Mike Burns recommending the designation of a new non-exclusive tour bus parking area on Washington Street, across from 10 Washington Street and reviewed a map of the proposal. Mr. Fee moved approval as requested; seconded by Dr. MacNab; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

IX. REAL ESTATE MATTERS

1. Request for Approval and Execution of Purchase and Sale Agreement, Quitclaim Deed and Settlement Statement of Town-owned Yard Sale Parcel Known as Lot C, Masaquet Avenue and Atlantic Avenue as Shown on Plan of Land Entitled "Roadway Disposition Plan in Nantucket, Mass., of Portions of Unconstructed 'Masaquet Avenue' 'Atlantic Avenue'," Dated January 11, 2023, Prepared by Bracken Engineering, Inc. and Recorded with Nantucket County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 2023-17, Pursuant to Vote on Article 99 of 2011 Annual Town Meeting. Ms. MacDonald reviewed the matter, noting Lot C is part of a group of four parcels, the other three which were conveyed to abutters last June. Ms. Holdgate abstained from the discussion and vote. Mr. Fee commented on hold harmless agreements for future Town needs with such transactions in connection with coastal resiliency. Mr. Fee moved approval as requested; seconded by Mr. Dixon; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Town Administration: Request for Adoption of Updated Agenda Protocol for Town-wide Use. Ms. Gibson reviewed the updated agenda protocol, intended to be used Town-wide for elected and appointed committees for consistency purposes. Mr. Fee expressed support for consistent protocols. Dr. MacNab moved approval as presented; seconded by Mr. Dixon; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

2. Monthly Town Management Report. Ms. Gibson deferred her report to the Board's April 3rd meeting, noting that a list of spring road projects will be provided to the Board at that time, as was recently requested by Mr. Fee. She added that a more comprehensive transportation projects update is also being planned for April 10th.

XI. SELECT BOARD'S REPORTS/COMMENT

1. Review/Adoption of Select Board Comments to May 7, 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles. Ms. Mohr reviewed a draft Select Board comment to Article 80, as was discussed by the Board last week. Mr. Fee moved adoption as drafted; seconded by Mr. Dixon; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted. The Board agreed it had no other comments on the warrant articles.

2. Committee Reports. Dr. MacNab said that at the request of Ms. Holdgate recently, the Board of Health discussed the possibility of whether or not it would approve the use of tight tanks at Baxter Road in the event of an emergency and agreed it would support that if warranted. Mr. Dixon reported on an Affordable Housing Trust meeting earlier this week.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fee moved adjournment at 6:06 PM; seconded by Mr. Dixon; by roll call vote: Ms. Mohr – Yes; Mr. Dixon – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Holdgate – Yes; Dr. MacNab – Yes; so voted.

Approved the 3rd day of April 2024

SELECT BOARD
MARCH 27, 2024 – 5:30 PM
PSF COMMUNITY ROOM, 4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM WEBINAR
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS

List of documents used at the meeting:

- VII. 1. Draft minutes of 3/20/2024
- VIII. 1. Town Counsel Study Committee (TCSC) update memo; TCSC project plan
- VIII. 2. AIS re: Taxi Request; Email from Taxi owner; Proposed taxi rates; Rate sheet showing differences in current to proposed rates
- VIII. 3. Memo from Transportation Planner re: tour bus parking
- IX. 1. AIS re: Lot C, Masaquet Ave & Atlantic Ave; Purchase and Sale Agreement; Deed; Plan No. 2023-17; Settlement Statement
- X. 1. AIS re: Agenda Protocol; Proposed agenda protocol – redline and clean versions
- XI. 1. Draft 2024 ATM Warrant as of 3/25/2024