

MINUTES OF THE SELECT BOARD

Date of Meeting: March 26, 2024
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1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

2. ROLL CALL

Select Board members present: Ms. Judith Whiteside, Chair
Mr. Alan Slavin, Pro Tem
Mr. Ronald Besse

Also Present: Mr. Derek Sullivan, Town Administrator
Attorney Richard Bowen, Town Counsel (remote)

Not Present: Mr. Jared Chadwick, Clerk

MOTION: Mr. Besse moved to have Mr. Slavin clerk pro tem. Seconded. Roll Call:
Ms. Whiteside-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (unanimous)**

Moment of silence for Wayne Dudley. Mr. Dudley had a long career in law enforcement, working as a police officer for the Town of Bourne, and then for the Town of Wareham for over 20 years. He was named as acting Chief in May of 1979. Mr. Dudley served in the Army National Guard, and attained the rank of Eagle Scout as a young man.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. TOWN BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible vote to include 2024 Spring Special Town Meeting Warrant articles.
 - S1 Budget Transfers
 - S2 Fund Parking Program
 - S3 Spring 2024 Capital
 - S4 Transfer of Available Funds
 - S5 Prior Year Bills
 - S6 PEG Access Receipts To Wareham Community TV
 - S7 Union Contracts
 - S8 Duty of Town Clerk
 - S9 Harbor Service Permit Receipts
 - S10 Tremont Nail Remediation Project
 - S11 Return Unused Funds From Completed Projects

- S12 Sewer #1 - WPCF Aeration Blowers and Vehicles
- S13 Transfer of McKinney-Vento Funds To Transportation Revolving Fund
- S14 Delete Several General Bylaws
- S15 Amend the Town Charter
- S16 Amend Town Bylaws Finance Committee Members
- S17 Amendment to Wareham Wetland Protective By-Law
- S18 State Mandated Real Estate and Personal Property Revaluation

MOTION: Mr. Slavin moved to include articles S1-S18, as read into the record. Seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Whiteside-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (unanimous)**

- b. Discussion and possible vote to close the 2024 Special Town Meeting Warrant. **MOTION:** Mr. Slavin moved to close the 2024 Special Town Meeting Warrant on April 4th at 4:00 p.m. Seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Whiteside-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (unanimous)**
- c. Discussion and possible vote on placing Charter acceptance ballot question on Annual Town Election ballot. **MOTION:** Mr. Slavin moved to place a ballot question on the Annual Town Election Ballot to determine whether the voters accept the Charter changes approved by Town Meeting, and authorized by the Legislature. Seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Whiteside-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (unanimous)**
- d. Any other Town business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. **M.G.L. 30A § 21 (Reason 3):** To discuss strategy relating to possible litigation with WCTV, if discussion in open session will have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body and the chair so declares.

MOTION: Mr. Slavin moved at 7:05 p.m. to go into Executive session to discuss strategy relating to possible litigation with WCTV, if discussion in open session will have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body and the chair so declared. Seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Whiteside-yes, Mr. Besse-yes, Mr. Slavin-yes. **VOTE: 3-0-0 (unanimous)**

The chair stated that the board would adjourn from the executive session, and not return to open session.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Wilfert
 Department Assistant

Attest: 
Alan H. Slavin, Clerk Pro Tem

Date Signed: 4/4/24

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Select Board on: 4/2/24

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND/OR USED IN MEETING

1. Fincom/Select Board 2024 Annual Special Spring Town Meeting Warrant grid
2. April 22, 2024 Special Town Meeting Warrant