Board of Selectmen

Charles R. Cunningham -Chairman Steven Lewis – Vice Chairman Dale Harmon Kristina Ford Michael Tomacelli

Town Manager

Daniel Bryer Jr.



Town of Boothbay Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, December 12, 2018

7:00 PM

MINUTES

Present: Steven Lewis, Dale Harmon, Michael Tomacelli, Chuck Cunningham, Kristina Ford, Town Manager Dan Bryer and Secretary Sherry Tibbetts

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Hearing: None scheduled

Public Comment: Pete Yesmentes said he has met with Harbor Master Pete Ripley and he gave the Selectmen a copy of his minutes of the meeting. He said the meeting was a waste of time and he wants the Selectmen to do something. The Selectmen asked if he had been to the Port Committee with this yet and he said no he has not and does not want to, it would be pointless, and he wants the Selectmen to do something. The Selectmen said they cannot get involved at this point, he needs to take his concerns to the Port Committee.

Approve Minutes: Steve Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of November 28, 2018 with two minor corrections and Dale Harmon seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0 in favor. Charles Cunningham abstained as he was not at that meeting and Kristina Ford had not yet joined the meeting.

Reports:

Town Office Reports – Dan Bryer reported that there is slight dip in numbers for the Code Enforcement Office this month although there are several pending permits and well as three permits to go before the Planning Board this month.

The Public Works Department has been busy with ditching and clean up.

The Business Office has 23 foreclosures to process the end of the month, many will probably be resolved before then. Some people have had an issue with the recent election ballots and the Town has forwarded everything to the Secretary of State's office. The Town cannot open the locked ballot boxes, which can only be opened by the State and thus far the State has not indicated that they are willing to do so.

The Boothbay Harbor Board of Selectmen would like to have a joint meeting with the Boothbay Board of Selectmen to talk about the future of the Joint Economic Development Committee.

BOS Action Items – The Landscaping committee had another meeting about the Common project, it was a good and productive meeting. Dates and timing were talked about and it is looking like the project is going to be easier than originally thought. The Committee will try to get dollar amounts to the Selectmen before budget time.

Dan Bryer has talked to the principal people to let them know that the fuel cost will increase by five cents per gallon.

Pending BOS Action Items – Dan Bryer said he attended a Trustee meeting and that Steve Lorrain has been appointed to the Charter Committee and they are moving ahead with scheduling a meeting.

Old Business: Raise the floor initiative resolution – Tom Wooden wrote a joint resolution for the Boards of both towns to sign, The Boothbay Harbor Selectmen have already signed it. There was a small discussion about the money that is being raised to Lobbying purposes. Steve Lewis made a motion to sign the resolution that Mr. Wooden prepared and to give \$1,235 to Lobby this cause and Dale Harmon seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.

Electric vehicle charging station – Dan Bryer reported that the Town got the grant, it is a matching grant up to \$3,000. He will now try to get hard numbers and is going to talk with others who have them to get more details.

Broadband Committee – The Town was awarded the grant applied for in the amount of \$7,500. Kristina will put together an application for people who may be willing to volunteer on a Broadband Committee, the Committee will be open to Boothbay and Boothbay Harbor residents. The purpose of the committee will be to make recommendations on what to do next and then report back to the Selectmen.

New Business: Kristina Ford talked about Maintenance cost for items such as the Landscape and Common upkeep and the needs for these costs to be in the budget. This led to a talk on maintenance in general for buildings, grounds and curbing.

Public Comment: none

Review Warrants and sign: Dale Harmon made a motion to review the warrants and sign them and Kristina Ford seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.

Adjourn meeting: At 8:00PM Dale Harmon made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mike Tomacelli seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.