

**Board of Selectmen**

Dale Harmon, Chairman  
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Charles R. Cunningham  
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Steven Lewis

**Town Manager**

Daniel Bryer Jr.



**Town of Boothbay  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
Wednesday January 11, 2017**

**7:00 PM  
MINUTES**

**Present:** Dale Harmon, Douglas Burnham, Charles Cunningham, Steven Lewis, Town Manager Dan Bryer and Secretary Sherry Tibbetts

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Approve minutes:** Steve Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of December 28, 2016 as presented and Doug Burnham seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0 in favor. (Chuck Cunningham was not in attendance yet)

**Reports:** The Public Works crew has been busy taking down Christmas lights and finishing up the work in the attic. The Code Enforcement office has two building and two plumbing permits pending, there has been one appeal of the CMBG permit so far and two more are expected this week. The Planning Board has no applications this month. The Business Office is busy with day-to-day activities. There have been many applications for the front office position and hopefully a person will be chosen next week. The CEO job will be posted next week. There was a Festival of Lights follow-up meeting, there was a lot of community buy in for the event. Now the talk begins on what to do going forward and logistics.

**Discussion on marijuana legalization:** Alan Bellows, chairman of the Planning Board was present to talk about this topic. He stated if a person walked in right now and applied for a marijuana sale place application, the board would have to use the current ordinance and it treat it as any other retail business.

Even if the State puts a one year moratorium on this, the applicant would already have the foot in the door and be ready has soon as the state allows.

There was a discussion about the Town putting a moratorium on this as well. There would have to be advertising, a public hearing and then a vote by the townspeople. The Selectmen cannot do one on their own. Dan was instructed to ask Sally Daggett about this. This would all take time and there would not be time to do a special town meeting. It could wait for the regular town meeting.

The town needs to decide many things, such as would they issue licenses, like they do now for alcohol and how much would they charge to do so.

Alan Bellows also said the Planning Board was working on ordinance updates. He said the comp plan wants the area around the common to look like a traditional village and it is hard to know just what that means.

**Review warrants and sign:** Chuck Cunningham made a motion to review the warrants and sign them and Doug Burnham seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0 in favor.

**Adjourn meeting:** Chuck Cunningham made a motion at 7:30 to adjourn the meeting and Doug Burnham seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0 in favor.

