

Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes February 6, 2024

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, John Gannon, Vince Rice, Tony Tribuno

Others Present: Scott Tucker, Jessica DeFrancesco, Cliff Duncan, Gretchen Havreluk, Sam Kondracki, Nicki Steel, Meg Streeter, Carol & Bob Bois, Therese Lounsbury, Marshall Dix, Tim Dolan, Joanne Yankura, Angela & Matthew Yakovleff, Merrill Mundell, Ralph Staib, Thomas Rafferty, Sara Molina, Bonnie Lorimer, Barker Willard, John Boyd, Cory Ross, Bob Brody, Jeff Menges, Karen Horn, Alicia DeWire, Ivy Kirby, Sharon Adams

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - Under 1%, the Trails request should have been \$18,070.
2. Approve Minutes of January 16, 18, and 25, 2024
 - Tribuno moved to approve the minutes of January 16 and 25, 2024, Rice second; all in favor.
 - No quorum from the January 18th meeting.

Fitzgerald moved to enter into Cannabis Commission at 6:01 pm, Rice second; all in favor.

3. Cannabis Commission
 - Fitzgerald moved to approve a renewal for S-000006952, Retailers for Matterhorn Apothecary, LLC, Rice second; all in favor.

Out of Cannabis Commission at 6:03 pm

Rice moved to enter into Liquor Commission at 6:03 pm, Fitzgerald second; all in favor.

4. Liquor Commission
 - Tribuno moved to approve a Tasting Event Permit at 12 South Main St on 2/9/24 from 5-10 pm, catered by Golden Rule Brew, Rice second; all in favor.

Out of Liquor Commission at 6:04 pm

5. Action Items
 - Gannon moved to approve the proposal from MSK Engineers in the amount of \$20,500 for the Lake Raponda Dam, Rice; all in favor.
 - Tribuno moved to approve the Rt 9 expansion flyer, Rice second; all in favor.
 - Gannon moved to appoint Samantha Kondracki to the Recreation Commission for the remainder of a 4-year term expiring in 2027, Rice second; all in favor.

6. Tennis/Pickleball Courts

- The Selectboard discussed the update on sites for tennis/pickleball courts. It has been recommended that flood areas are the best areas for recreational use. The courts have never been reclaimed in the 51 years they have been there. Drainage in the parking area around the courts is suggested. Lisle Hill would require stormwater permits and annual fees. There isn't room to expand, and it would require going through the DRB; being in the residential area, this could make it difficult to get approval. Gannon thanked Havreluk for reaching out and explaining all of the issues with Lisle Hill. General consensus to keep courts where they are.

7. Bi-Town Signage Plan

- To keep things consistent, fonts should be similar and complimentary across all signs. Colors should remain consistent also. Three colors; green, white and black. The new banners between Wilmington and Dover are similar but different enough to keep individual identities. Fitzgerald moved to adopt the Bi-Town signage plan design for town owned signs, Gannon second; all in favor.

8. 1% Local Option Tax Request

- Willard asked what the Greeters would do if the state limits wake boards, etc.? That would be for the Game Warden to handle. Gannon moved to approve \$4,100 for the Greeter Program, Tribuno second; all in favor.
- The Trails Committee is asking for \$10,000 instead of \$18,070. Weston & Sampson is estimating needing just under \$7000 to finish permitting, but have \$14,000 budgeted. They would use this leftover plus the \$10,000 for Phase 2. Tribuno moved to approve up to \$10,000 for construction plans of the Hoot Toot and Whistle Trail project, Rice second; all in favor.

9. Town Meeting

- Duncan asked what the Board was doing regarding his initial recommendations from last year. He doesn't feel the Board is doing enough. Steel commented that childcare will be available and lunch will be better advertised this year. There will be an ad going in the paper advertising daycare and explaining the importance. Mail town reports???
- Duncan is interested in reinstating a budget committee; feels the committee lets people know more about how the money was spent. Requesting a survey asking voters if they would like to see the re-instatement of the Budget Committee.

10. Other Business/Correspondence

11. Select Board Members Comments

12. Town Manager's Updates

- Be back on the 12th and my thanks to Dept. Heads and Staff for taking care of business in my absence.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica DeFrancesco

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Vince Rice, Clerk

Sarah Fisher

Tony Tribuno