

Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, John Gannon, Tony Tribuno, Charlie Foster **Absent:** Vince Rice
Others Present: Scott Tucker, Jessica DeFrancesco, Sarah Kociela, Gretchen Havreluk, Marshall Dix, Bobby Maynard, Joanne Yankura, Sam Kondracki, Therese Lounsbury, Ivy Kirby, Carol Bois, Scott Moore, Bob Fisher

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - Liquor Commission; first- and second-class renewal for Valley Craft Ales, first-class for Art House
 - Remove LHA, item #4 and replace with Liquor Commission
2. Approve Minutes of November 19 and December 3, 2024
 - Tribuno moved to approve the minutes of November 19, 2024 and December 3, 2024, Foster second; all in favor.
3. Action Items
 - Tribuno moved to approve the 2024 Errors & Omissions from the Assessor's Office, Foster second; all in favor.

Fitzgerald moved to enter into Liquor Commission at 6:05 pm, Tribuno second; all in favor.
4. Liquor Commission
 - Fitzgerald moved to approve, Tribuno second; all in favor.
 - A First- and Second- Class renewal for Valley Craft Ales, and
 - A First-Class renewal for Art House

Out of Liquor Commission at 6:07 pm
5. Fire Dept
 - Fire radios are 18-25 years old; some aren't working. The new radios will be dual-band and mobile. They will be able to communicate with the Police Dept this way. They have tried applying for grants and have not been approved for any, yet. Tribuno moved to approve the purchase of new radios for the Fire Dept from the Equipment Capital Fund in the amount of \$129,064.29.
6. East Main St Sidewalk 1% Request
 - Old line poles should be removed once the utilities move their lines to the new poles; hopefully through the winter. This spring is the projected start date. Fitzgerald moved to approve \$53,300 in grant match funds for the East Main St Sidewalk Project from the 1% local option tax fund, Gannon second; all in favor.

7. Trail Committee 1% Request

- This request will be for mowing, sign purchases/ map printing and fundraising. Tribuno moved to approve the Trail Committee's request for \$15,000 for trail maintenance and other items from the 1% local option tax fund, Foster second; all in favor.

8. Other Business/Correspondence

- Town report dedication discussion

9. Selectboard Members Comments

10. Town Manager's Updates

- New police officer was appointed yesterday; Richard Levesque.
- Final report from WWTP inspection was received. Lazelle will come to a later meeting to discuss the report.
- Marshall Dix completed supervisory training in October.
- We are submitting a grant for the Green Rd bridge repair. Castle Hill bridge is under inspection. Old Ark Rd culvert need to be changed to a box culvert. Medburyville bridge does not belong to the town, it belongs to the state.
- BCA completed their inspections in December. There are 2 PVR appeals.
- Working to bring violations into compliance in the Zoning Office. Letters of violation have been sent out due to lack of response to other communications.
- Landfill certification renewal agreement was signed with KAS.
- 2 BCA appeals are going to superior court, maybe three.

11. Executive Session

- Fitzgerald moved to find that premature general public knowledge would place the town at a substantial disadvantage, Foster second; all in favor
- Fitzgerald moved to enter executive session at 6:50 pm, to include the town manager and town attorney, Sally Manikian, Hannah Epstein & Hayley Kolding for real estate discussions and attorney-client communications, Foster second; all in favor.

Out of Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

- Fitzgerald moved to assign Town Manager as agent for the Selectboard to pursue grant(s) to possibly acquire the M. R. Perry Properties, LLC, subject to a town match, second Tribuno; all in favor 4-0.
- Tribuno moved to approve the Authorizing Resolution and Consent and Legal Notice of Terms of Conveyance of parcels to Lupin Mountain, LLC in exchange for \$182,500 by quitclaim deed and/or purchase and sales agreement, second Foster; all in favor 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica DeFrancesco

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Vince Rice, Clerk

Tony Tribuno

Charlie Foster