

Minutes
Cape Cod Selectmen and Councilors Association
June 9, 2017
Dan'l Webster Inn
Sandwich, MA

Roll Call:Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Chatham, Eastham, Falmouth, Harwich, Mashpee, Nantucket, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Yarmouth

With Thirteen Towns represented the Clerk declared a quorum.

President Sue Moran asked newly elected selectmen to introduce themselves. Martin McDonald of Eastham, Louise Venden of Provincetown, Mike Miller of Sandwich and Rita Higgins of Nantucket introduced themselves as newly elected. Amiee Eckman of Eastham had introduced herself at the May meeting

The minutes of the May meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made and Seconded. Passed unanimously.

The acting Treasurer, Mr. McManus, presented the Treasurers report. A motion to accept was made by Don Picard and seconded by Ron Bergstrom. The motion passed.

President Moran introduced Mr. Hebert of Barnstable. Hr. Hebert again presented information of H. 3528, a deposit on nips, and asked that the association support it and encourage that a portion of the revenues support addiction education programs. A motion to support was made and seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. Milne presented information on the continuing attempts of the state to wrest control of the Cape Cod Mosquito Control Project and increase its costs. He asked that the association support a request to towns to financially support a study to determine the best organization of the project. A motion to support that request was made and failed. A subsequent motion was made to request the county to do all it could to disentangle the project from thee control of the State. The motion passed and the clerk will write a letter to the county making the request.

President Moran introduced the nomination Committee chair, Mr. Dunford. who read the recommended slate; Past President- Sue Moran, President-Tracy Post, Vice-President - Paul Hebert, Treasuer- Don Picard, Clerk- Ed McManus, Directors- Alan McClennen, Stephen Mealy, Andrew Gottlieb, Bill O'Shea and John Flores. The clerk made a motion to accept the report of the nominating committee which was adopted by a unanimous vote.

After the election of new officers Mr. McManus rose to thank Mr. Dunford of Orleans for his service to the association and towns of Massachusetts. Mr. Dunford had served on the CCSCA board for 10 years including a year as president and served as president of both the Mass Selectman's Association and the Mass Municipal Association.

Mr. McManus presented the report on the by-law revisions. At the previous meeting there had been discussion of the section regarding quorums and the problem of using a strict numerical percentage when the geographic constraints on attendance by the island towns. Mr. McManus presented attendance information from the previous several years and based on that proposed that section 12.1 of the proposed revised by laws be amended to set the quorum at a minimum of 14 voting members representing 9 towns. A motion was made to accept the amendment to the proposed by laws and passed unanimously. A motion then was made to adopt the amended proposed revised by laws which also passed unanimously.

President Moran introduced Heather Harper, Housing Planner of the Cape Cod Commission. Ms. Harper made a presentation on the preliminary findings of the ongoing Housing Demand and Supply study. After presenting information on how the study was conducted and findings Ms. Harper indicated the final report would be released and presented at the One Cape Summit.

President Moran introduced Mr McManus to talk on the subject of adoption of state legislation regarding the rooms tax. The MMA believes that adoption is very likely this year and was asking for the associations recommendation on which of the proposed bills to support. Mr. McManus presented a statement putting the associations support behind the senates version of adopting the rooms tax. It was moved and seconded to adopt the statement and send it to appropriate legislators and organizations. The motion passed with 22 in favor, 1 abstention and 2 opposed.

A motion was made to adjourn and was passed.