

**APPROVED**

**TOWN OF NEWBURY  
SELECT BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**DATE:** January 10, 2023

**PRESENT:** **Select Board:** Chair Alicia Greco; Vice Chair JR Colby; Clerk Dana Packer;  
Geof Walker; Gerry Heavey (remote participation)

**Staff:**

Tracy Blais, Town Administrator

Julie O'Brien, Executive Administrator

Patty Fisher, Police Chief

**Call to Order:**

At 7:00 p.m. Alicia Greco called the meeting to order with a salute to the flag

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to open the Select Board Meeting seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes

JR Colby – Yes

Geof Walker – Yes

Gerry Heavey – Yes

Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

**Public Comment**

**Board and Committee Reports**

Report of Chair Greco:

Signed PR23-12, Julie O'Brien

Signed PR23-12, Select Board

**Grants, Gifts & Donations**

(Chapter 44: Section 53A Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure)

Police Department donation – Alfred&Sandra Bellows - \$150.00

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to accept the Police Department donation seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer – Yes

Discussion: Discussion ensued

Motion: G. Heavey moved that the Select Board not accept anonymous donations from anyone second D. Packer

**Roll Call Vote:**

JR Colby - No  
Geof Walker - No  
Dana Packer - No  
Alicia Greco - No  
G. Heavey - Yes

Discussion: Discussion ensued. Chief Fisher spoke to the Police Donations

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to accept the Great Marsh Green Crab Trapping grant seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: Discussion ensued. John Lucey, Shellfish Constable spoke to the project

**Public Hearings:** None

**New Business:**

Review, approve, and sign appointment:

- Appoint Fish Commissioner

**Motion:** A. Greco moved to pass over appointment of Fish Commissioner until the next election, May 9, 2023 seconded, JR Colby

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes

Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer – Yes  
Jeff Janvrin – Yes  
Charlie Colby - Yes

Discussion: Elected Commissioners, Charlie Colby and Jeff Janvrin came to the table to discuss with Select Board members

Declare Surplus: 2012 Ford Expedition, 88,705 miles, Fire Department

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to declare surplus seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Approve One Day Liquor License, Decanted Inc., Old Newbury Bonfire, January 14, 2023

**Motion:** G. Walker moved to approve the One Day Liquor License seconded, D. Packer

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Recused  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Approve One Day Liquor License, Dan Clapp, 1634 Meadery, Old Newbury Bonfire, January 14, 2023

**Motion:** D. Packer moved to approve the One Day Liquor License seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – recused  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Vote on date for first meeting of Local Historical Study Committee, January 17, 2023

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to approve the meeting date of January 17, 2023 seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes

JR Colby – Yes

Geof Walker – Yes

Gerry Heavey – Yes

Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Jane M. Volpone, dba Volpone Towing Service, 86R Newburyport Turnpike, General Business Towing Service

Colby Jackman dba Outdoor Dog Training & Trails, 48 Low Street, Dog training at client sites and on public trails.  
No on-site boarding or day care, per Zoning Enforcement Officer

A&M Motors, Inc. Anthony Barbiris, 4-6 Newburyport Turnpike, Used Car Dealer's License – Class II, to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles

Sarah van Gulden dba Adelynrood Conference & Retreat Center, 46 Elm Street, Common Victualler

Ampet, Inc. , Mohammed Almadani, 34 High Road, Used Car Dealer's License II, to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles, On-line sales only

Mohammed Almadani dba Ampet Inc. , 34 High Road, General Business: Auto/Marine, Gasoline Sales, Automotive Repair, Sale of Related Goods

Gary Machiros dba Angie's Service Inc., 101 Newburyport Turnpike, Unit 4-5, Auto Repair

Autowerkes of Hampton Falls, Inc., C/O Edwin Carrier & Michael Tartaglione, 88 Newburyport Turnpike, Used Car Dealer's License – Class II, to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles

Pamela Doherty dba (The) Beach Dog Daycare, 96 Newburyport Turnpike, Animal Care

Michelle & Peter Abren dba By Coco, 12 Grove Street, Mobile Coffee Trailer

Fit by John dba c/o John A. DesOrmeaux, Jr., 89 Hanover Street, Unit #3, General Business, Personal Training

George E. Coulouras, Georgie Porgie's Ice Cream Factory, LLC dba The Beachfront, 2 Northern Blvd., Common Victualler

Molly Janicki dba Molly Janicki, 191 High Road, Sustainable garden design and care

Danvers Butchery, Cheryl Moulton dba Newbury Butchery, 2 Morgan Ave., Common Victualler

Randall Bandoian, Trustee dba Olde Newbury Boat Co., 84 Newburyport Turnpike, Auto/Marine

Hank Moore dba Ould Newbury Golf Club, Inc., 319 Newburyport Turnpike, Common Victualler

Gregg Pugh dba Plum Island Beachcoma Restaurant, Inc., 23 Plum Island Blvd., Common Victualler

Richard Rocco Inc. dba Plum Island Provisions, 29 Plum Island Boulevard, Common Victualler

John B. Seamans dba Sculpture by Beverly Seamans, 2 Newman Road, General Business

Lisa Porter dba Seacoast Horse & Pet Sitting, 48 Old Rowley Road, General Business: Animal Care, dog boarding/dog daycare/pet sitting

Linda M. Delande dba Sports & Therapeutic Massage, 65 Newburyport Turnpike, General Business, Massage Therapy

Matthew Kozazcki dba Tendercrop Farms, 108 High Road, Retail foods/common victualler, crafts/gifts

Randall Bandoian, (Trustee) Offshore Concepts Conservation Trust dba U.S. #1 Auto/Marine, 84 Newburyport Turnpike, Used Car Dealer's License – Class II, to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles

Rana Bonfa dba Walk My Paws, 90 Newburyport Turnpike, Dog training/dog playcare

Donald B. Walton dba Walton's Auto Lab, 78 Hanover Street, Auto/marine

Jodi Wilkinson dba Wilco Marine Restorations, 84 Newburyport Turnpike, Auto/marine

Michael and Shelby Hall dba American Automotive, LLC, 61 Main Street, Automotive Repair

Carnova LLC, Douglas Machado, 86 Newburyport Turnpike, Used Car Dealer's License – Class II, to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles

**Motion:** A.Greco moved to approve the 2023 Business License renewals as listed above and read seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes

JR Colby – Yes

Geof Walker – Yes

Gerry Heavey – Yes

Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Waldo Evan Jespersen dba Jespersen Studios, 7 Marsh Meadow Lane, General Business

**Motion:** G. Walker moved to approve the 2023 Business License renewal as listed above and read seconded, D. Packer

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes

JR Colby – Recused

Geof Walker – Yes

Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

## **Town Administrators Report**

### **New Hires**

- Lillian Craig – Town Accountant
- Gretchen Girard – Town Clerk
- Ann McLaughlin – Asst Town Accountant
- Kristen Grubbs – Asst Town Planner

### **COVID Test Kits**

- Available for free in the Board of Health Office

### **Budget Season is Upon us**

- Working with Erica Jacobsen of the Finance Committee to coordinate the joint budget meetings

### **Transfer Station**

- Increase in Pay as you Throw Program Rates
- In giving up the management control, we also gave up the ability to regulate the pricing as well. The Board of Health, however, did make it very clear to Mello that they wanted recycling to remain free.
- I am certainly not an expert on the “trash to energy market” but do understand the challenges of recycling in the past few years (increasing from \$7/ton to \$98/ton) as well as the increased expenses associated with hauling and aging equipment maintenance.

### **Old Business**

Release of the Tripartite Agreement, Larkin Road Culvert

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to have the Board approve release of the Tripartite Agreement seconded, G. Walker

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer – Yes

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to allow the chair sign the Agreement seconded, G. Walker

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer – Yes

Discussion: John Colantoni addressed the Board

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to open Larkin Road seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – No  
Dana Packer – No

Discussion: Discussion ensued

**Correspondence:**

Audit Engagement letter from James J. Giusti, CPA, P.C.

**Meeting Updates**

Dana Packer spoke of the Municipal Building Committee meeting he attend this morning. Reported have engaged with Jeff Shaw as architect. Still looking for an OPM and doing boring of holes Thursday of this week

Essex Veterans committee had a meeting. West Newbury Town Assessor and Ipswich Town Assessor, attended the Veteran's meeting. West Newbury has approved the exemption that the Town of Newbury is currently working on. And Ipswich is looking to approve it. And feels Newbury is on the right track

Alicia Greco reported, MMA fiscal policy committee letter sent to new Governor regarding state budget. Annual MMA meeting is in two weeks and Alicia plans to attend

**Review and approve of Meeting Minutes**

Draft Minutes 11.8.22

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to approve the 11.8.22 draft meeting minutes seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Draft Minutes 11.30.22

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to approve the 11.30.22 draft meeting minutes seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Abstain  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

Draft Minutes 12.6.22

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to approve the 12.6.22 meeting minutes seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion:

Draft Minutes 12.13.22

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to approve the 12.13.22 meeting minutes seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Discussion: None

**Warrants**

VW2312  
PR23SWO  
VW2313  
PR23SWO

**Motion:** JR Colby moved to sign the Warrants seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes



Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjourn**

**Motion:** At 8:06 p.m. JR Colby moved to adjourn seconded, G. Walker

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alicia Greco – Yes  
JR Colby – Yes  
Geof Walker – Yes  
Gerry Heavey – Yes  
Dana Packer - Yes

Respectfully submitted  
Julie O'Brien  
Executive Administrator