

Board of Selectmen Meeting

Library Meeting Room

July 10, 2007

Present: Chairman Kerry Scott, Selectmen Gregory Coogan, Ronald DiOrio, Duncan Ross, Roger Wey. Also present: Town Administrator Michael Dutton, Administrator Alice Ryan Butler.

Meeting called to order at 5:10 p.m.

Report from Finance Team

Finance Director Paul Manzi introduced the members of the team, Tax Collector Cheryll Sashin, Principal Assessor Diane Wilson, Assistant Treasurer Sharon Jackson, Town Accountant Karen Gomez and IT Manager Travis Larsen and each person briefly explained the function of his or her position.

Town Administrator's Report

Michael Farrell of MRI, the firm who is doing the Classification and Compensation study explained the process for doing the study.

An oil spill occurred on Sunday morning near the Sand Bar & Grill. A crew has been on site and everything is under control. All of the soil will be transported off Island.

The asbestos removal at the Hospital is happening according to the prevailing rules.

The Small Cities Grant of \$818,000 for house rehabilitation has been awarded to Oak Bluffs and Tisbury.

A noise complaint has been filed against the Island House.

Selectman Wey motioned to hold a Public Hearing to hear the complaint against the Island House at 4:00 p.m. on July 24, 2007, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

A vicious dog hearing will be held on July 17, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

The Health Care District rate as proposed by the Building Inspector will be \$1,000 for the building permit plus \$0.40 per square foot, site work will be a separate issue, the size of the site times \$0.20, the foundation will be \$1,000 plus \$0.50 per square foot. The building permit for the hospital will be \$89,490.40.

Selectman Ross motioned to accept the Health Care District rate as proposed by the Building Inspector, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Selectmen's Update

Selectman Coogan inquired about the Senior Tax work-off program. He also addressed heavy vehicles using East Chop Drive and feels there should be more signage.

County Engineer Steve Berlucci explained that in order for the road to be closed to heavy vehicles, it must be certified by MA Highway. It may be possible to get a temporary commercial vehicle exclusion while the road is being repaired.

Selectman Ross commented on the inconsistencies in age in giving a discount to senior citizens.

Selectman Ross motioned to confirm the age of senior citizen discounts at sixty, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Ross motioned to approve a one day beer and wine license for July 14, 2007 at the "Hail to the Chief" party for Chief Alley, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Coogan motioned to approve a one day beer and wine license for Julie Hatt, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Ross motioned to approve a one day beer and wine license for the Big Game Fishing Tournament, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was three in favor, Selectman Scott and DiOrio voted no.

Selectman DiOrio motioned to permit the Holy ghost Association to have an outside band for the feast, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

Old/New Business

Discussion on the Roundabout. County Engineer Steve Berlucci, Highway Superintendent Richie Combra.

Selectman DiOrio recused himself.

There is \$500,000 available from the state and \$50,000 from Chapter 90 money to design and build the roundabout. The project is running late and should start one year from September. The design should cost about \$39,000.

Selectman Ross motioned to go forward with the design phase, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was three in favor, Chairman Scott voted no.

Update on Lagoon Pond Bridge and parking at Sunset Lake Park County Engineer Steve Berlucci.

The contract was awarded to a company that is aware of the Vineyard issues. There will be very limited lane closings. The owners of the white house by the bridge will be compensated for their inconvenience while the bridge is being built. The project will start in August, but the pile driving will not start until October and continue to March. The temporary bridge should open in January of 2010.

Parking at Sunset Lake Park is for specific events only, not for overflow parking.

Mark Wallace thanked all who helped with the oil spill. He said he was pleased with the community participation.

Request for funding for inventory of old houses. Historical Commission.

Rene Balter said that the Town had given \$6,000 toward securing a Grant of \$9,000. There are over 1,000 houses in Oak Bluffs to be inventoried. Later it was learned that the Grant would only cover 100/130 houses due to the regulations of the Grant. The Historical Commission decided that they could do a three year program that would encompass 400 houses. As a result, they turned down the Grant.

Selectman DiOrio motioned to approve giving the Historical Commission \$6,000 per year for three years to do the inventory, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Appointments

Affordable Housing Committee, 6 members, open ended, 1 opening.

James Westervelt

Ann Margetson

Selectman DiOrio motioned to appoint James Westervelt and Ann Margetson to the Affordable Housing Committee, seconded by Selectman Wey. Vote was unanimous

Resident Homesite, 5 members, one year term, 5 openings

Anthony R. Ferreira

Jesse B. Law, III

James G. Rankin

Selectman DiOrio motioned to appoint James G. Rankin to the Resident Homesite Committee, seconded by Selectman Wey. Vote was unanimous.

Zoning Board of Appeals, 5 members, 3 year term, 1 opening

Kris Wm. Chvatal

Selectman Coogan motioned to appoint Kris Wm. Chvatal to the Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

Council on Aging, 7 members, 2 alternate members, 3 years term, 3 openings

James W. McLaurin

Dianne Wilson

Patricia M. Dorsey

Elizabeth Marshall, Alternate

Selectman Coogan motioned to appoint James W. McLaurin, Diane Wilson, Patricia M. Dorsey, and Elizabeth Marshall, Alternate to the Council on Aging, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was three in favor, Selectman Wey and DiOrio voted no.

Director of Emergency Management, 3 year term, 1 opening

Peter Martell

Selectman DiOrio motioned to appoint Peter Martell as Director of Emergency Management, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

Cape Light Compact, 3 year term, 1 opening

Selectman DiOrio motioned to re-appoint Alice Ryan Butler as Oak Bluffs representative to the Cape Light Compact, seconded by Selectman Wey. Vote was unanimous.

Library Board of Trustees, 3 year term, 6 members, 1 opening.

Selectman Ross motioned to appoint Harvey John Beth to the Library Board of Trustees, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority, 3 year term, 1 opening.

Selectman DiOrio motioned to re-appoint Alice Ryan Butler to the Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Historical Commission, 1 year, 7 openings

Selectman Coogan motioned to re-appoint Alison Shaw, David Wilson, Joyce Dresser, Pamela Melrose, Priscilla Sylvia, Renee Balter and Susan Thompson to the Historical Commission, seconded by Selectman Wey. Vote was unanimous.

Cottage City Historical Commission, 1 year term, 1 opening.

Selectman Ross motioned to re-appoint David Wilson to the Cottage City Historical Commission, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Conservation Commission, 3 year term, 3 openings

Selectman Ross motioned to reappoint Joan Lanza Hughes and Robert G. Ford to the Conservation Commission, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Community Development Council, 3 year term, 1 opening.

Selectman Coogan motioned to re-appoint Richard T. Westcott to the Community Development Council, seconded by Selectman Wey. Vote was unanimous.

Board of Registrars., 3 years, 1 opening.

Selectman Wey motioned to reappoint Margaret A. Stafursky to the Board of Registrars, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Accept Minutes

April 24, 2007

April 24, 2007 – Executive Session

May 8, 2007

May 8, 2007 – Executive Session

Selectman DiOrio motioned to accept the Minutes of April 24, 2007, the Executive Session Minutes of April 24, 2007, Minutes of May 8, 2007, the Executive Session Minutes of May 8, 2007, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Adjourn

Selectman DiOrio motioned to adjourn at 8:10p.m., seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Administrator