

Board of Selectmen Meeting

Library Meeting Room

January 12, 2010

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

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Request for a transfer of auto rental license. AA Auto Rental.

Bryan Nelson asked to permission to transfer auto rental license to Hertz Corp.

There was a discussion about exceeding the number of cars (twelve) that were permitted to be rented from the location. It was suggested that the ZBA and Town Counsel be consulted about the necessity of a special permit.

Selectman DiOrio motioned to consult with Town Counsel regarding special permits, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

The request was postponed to the January 26, 2010 Meeting.

Minutes

December 22, 2009

Selectman DiOrio motioned to accept the Minutes of December 22, 2009, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was four in favor, Selectman Burton abstained.

Town Administrator's Report

(attached)

Selectmen's Update

Selectman Burton announced that she would discontinue office hours at the Council on Aging for the winter. She also attended a meeting the previous Friday with Mark Forest and Chris Adams of Congressman Delahunt's office and several Boards, Committees etc to discuss the second phase of stimulus money.

Selectman Ross reported on the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge. He also reminded the Selectmen of the All Island Selectmen's Meeting on January 14, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Selectman DiOrio complimented Steve Myrick on the article in the Times about the \$1M grant being given to Oak Bluffs residents.

By consensus, the Board voted to send a letter of support for the second round of a \$2M grant that the town is seeking along with Edgartown.

Selectman Scott reminded the Selectmen of the January 26, 2010 meeting to report on the waterfront.

Selectman Scott announced that she would not run for the Board of Selectmen when her term expires in April.

Chairman Coogan expressed surprise at Selectman Scott's announcement and thanked her for her years of service.

Old/New Business

The Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 in the Library Meeting Room, 56R School Street, on a petition from NSTAR to install approximately 270 feet of underground cable and conduit to provide underground electric service to 40 Pankhane Avenue

Karen Corriveau represented NSTAR. There was a brief discussion of the petition. No comments from the audience.

Selection DiOrio motioned to close the Hearing, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

Selectman Ross motioned to approve the petition, seconded by Selectman Burton. Vote was unanimous.

Discussion and possible vote on the parking situation at Nancy's Restaurant.

Selectman Ross motioned to approve version two of the parking plan, seconded by Selectman DiOrio

After a discussion, ***Selectman DiOrio withdrew his second. Selectman Ross withdrew his motion.***

Selectman Ross motioned to approve version three of the parking plan including three standard parking spaces, seconded by Selectman Burton. Vote was unanimous.

Discussion and possible vote on the transfer of the Groundwater Discharge Permit to the Wastewater Department.

Selectman Ross motioned to transfer the Groundwater Discharge Permit to the Wastewater Department, seconded by Selectman DiOrio

The Wastewater Commissioners agreed with the transfer, but the Park Commissioners had some questions about who would be responsible for the park. Attorney Michael Goldsmith's opinion is that the Park Commissioners still have jurisdiction over the park.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Wastewater Department and the Parks Department has been developed.

The final decision will be delayed until January 26, 2010.

Request for permission to hold a twenty mile road race on February 13, 2010. Martha's Vineyard Multisport, Inc.

Selectman Ross motioned to approve the twenty mile race on February 13, 2010, seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Request for a street license to operate a tour business and rent parking spaces for said tours. Martha's Vineyard Transport.

Postponed to March 9, 2010 agenda.

Request for a Municipal Street License to operate a tour bus business. Castaway Coach. Jason Correia.

Mr Correia presented his plan for a tour bus, but was unable to demonstrate a need for the service. It was decided to develop guidelines for tour busses and to further discuss the matter at the All Island Selectmen's meeting. A final decision will be made at a future meeting.

Request for permission to operate a tour business. Native Island Tours.

Barry Lopes represented Native Island Tours. His primary intent is to establish a trolley route between the three down Island towns. The Tour busses would go directly to Aquinnah. Mr. Lopes was unable to prove a need for the service, and how it would benefit Oak Bluffs. It was recommended that the request be referred to the Roads and By-ways Committee for their review.

Request for appointment to the Martha's Vineyard Commission. Fred J. Hancock
Selectman Ross motioned to appoint Fred J. Hancock to the Martha's Vineyard Commission for one year, seconded by Selectman Burton. Vote was unanimous.

It was suggested that he meet with the Planning Board, the Building Inspector and Board of Health for background information.

Discussion and possible vote on the Policy for Mandatory Retirement Age within the Fire Department.

Selectman DiOrio motioned to approve the Policy for Mandatory Retirement with the Fire Department, seconded by Selectman Ross. Vote was unanimous.

Adjourn

Selectman Ross motioned to adjourn at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Selectman DiOrio. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Administrator