

Board of Selectmen Meeting

Town Hall Meeting Room

April 6, 2010

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

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

James Nelson, MV Auto Rental requested permission to rent seventy cars from a lot at 12 Circuit Av, Ext.

Attorney Marcia Cini represented Mr. Nelson.

The lot at 12 Circuit Av, Ext holds forty vehicles, but Mr. Nelson has an auxiliary lot on Beach Road in Vineyard Haven that can hold the remaining thirty vehicles. All vehicles will be registered in Oak Bluffs.

Selectman DiOrio disagreed with Attorney Cini stating that this is a new license, not a renewal for this lot. He further requested that some thought be given to beautifying this area (with planters etc) since it is located on the harbor.

Selectman DiOrio further suggested that the town could provide kiosks (to be used as car rental offices) on town property that could be rented as a revenue source.

Two Planning Board members sent letters concerning the rental of cars, etc. on the Harbor. Town Counsel also commented on the situation.

Selectman Scott questioned the disposition of the Wallace brothers request to rent seventy vehicles from their lot on the harbor. There was a discussion regarding whether this request was for a new license, since the Wallace brothers have previously had a license to rent seventy vehicles but in a different location. There was also discussion over the Nelson request since they are new applicants but wish to utilize a lot that had previously been used for car rental.

Selectman Ross motioned to grant James Nelson dba Martha's Vineyard Auto Rentals a permit for one year to rent seventy vehicles (with a limit of forty vehicles on premises) at 12 Circuit Avenue, Ext. seconded by Selectman Scott. Vote was unanimous.

Ben Hall, owner of two theatres in Oak Bluffs had several complaints about the work being done by MA Highway on Lake Avenue. He alleged that damage has been done to his property. He also requested that provisions be made for a parking space for his Father. Highway Superintendent Combra agreed to meet with MA Highway and Mr Hall to discuss the issue.

By consensus the Selectmen agreed to allow trees to be planted near the Island Theatre.

Billy Alwardt said that he was not in favor of having our Shellfish Constable David Grunden work with the new Tisbury Constable. He also objects to permitting Tisbury people shellfish in Oak Bluffs. It was explained that the two towns have been discussing ways to work with one another to improve shellfishing. Permitting Tisbury residents to fish in Oak Bluffs is not one of them.

***Selectman Ross motioned to adjourn at 4:45 p.m., seconded by Selectman DiOrio.
Vote was unanimous.***

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler
Administrator