

Selectmen's Meeting – June 28, 2010

Mr. Murphy, Mr. Silvia and Dr. Bowcock were present.

Also in attendance was Jeffrey Osuch.

Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the minutes of June 14, 2010. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2010 executive session. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Tim Cox was present and summarized his June 9, 2010 meeting with the Division of Marine Fisheries. (See attached.) The meeting focused on "Management of the Fisheries for Recreational/Commercial Purposes". Increasing daily catch limits for Commercial Fishermen was recommended. Dr. Bowcock motioned to increase the daily catch limit, effective July 19, 2010, for Commercial Fishermen to 3 ½ bushels per day, from the south side of Sconticut Neck only, and to revisit the catch limit again in 2012. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Anne Carreiro was in attendance. In accordance with the provisions of the Town Accountant Contract, she submitted the "Managerial Evaluation" Report completed by John Nunes, Director of Finance/Treasurer on June 28, 2010. (See attached.) The Board stated she received an excellent evaluation. The report will be placed on file with her contract. Mr. Silvia motioned to renew Anne Carreiro's Contract for two years. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

SEAPORT INN, LLC – LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING

The Seaport Inn, LLC, 110 Middle Street, submitted an application for a Change of Manager. New Manager is Joseph Morra. Mr. Morra was in attendance and submitted his "TIPS" certification. Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the application. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. Application will be forwarded to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission for approval.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Hodgson, the Police Chief and members of the Southcoast Anti-Crime Task Force were in attendance. Sheriff Hodgson presented the Chief with a check for \$10,000.00 to be used for by the Task Force. The Chief thanked the Sheriff for the check and the frame work to do the investigations.

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Osuch will meet with John Beauregard of Sylvia Insurance at 11:00 a.m. on June 29, 2010 to review the Town's Insurance Policies and costs for FY 11.

Meeting with Village Forge, Inc. for Recreation & Senior Center Renovations is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2010.

SEMASS meeting will be held in Middleboro on July 1, 2010 at 9:00 a. m.

WES Construction will meet at the Board of Public Works on either July 2, 2010 or July 7, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2010 to observe Independence Day.

Mr. Silvia motioned to authorize payment to Fall River Electrical Associates, 74 Corneau Street, Fall River, MA in the amount of \$3,408.64 for Town Hall Electrical Restoration. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Representative Barney Frank obtained funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the United States Army Corps of Engineers to hire an Engineering Firm to perform the National Flood Insurance Program Levee System Evaluation Report for the New Bedford/Fairhaven Hurricane Barrier. This action will save the residents of Fairhaven and New Bedford an increase in home insurance rates and the Town won't have to spend a large sum of money for an inspection of the Barrier. A thank you letter will be sent to Representative Frank.

Most recent Cherry Sheet numbers are \$9,000. lower than the budget figures used for the May 2010 Annual Town Meeting. Quinn Bill numbers did not change.

The Board of Selectmen will review "Meeting and Minutes Guide for Boards, Commissions and Committees".

Mr. Osuch summarized the June 22, 2010 letter from the Massachusetts School Building Authority regarding Enrollment Projections for Rogers Elementary School. (See attached.)

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

\$75.00 donation to the Bicentennial Committee was accepted.

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BOAT RAMP & WATERFRONT RECREATIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mr. Murphy read David Hebert's letter requesting appointment to the Boat Ramp and Waterfront Recreational Property Committee. (See attached.) Mr. Silvia motioned to appoint Mr. Hebert to the Committee. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Term to expire May 31, 2011.)

NSTAR ELECTRIC

As voted at the May 1, 2010 Annual Town Meeting, an "Application and Pole Attachment License" for one street light on Suvency Drive will be sent to NSTAR Electric.

NSTAR GAS

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the petition for gas line maintenance at 28 Welcome Street. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Approved by the Board of Public Works.)

TAX COLLECTOR SENIOR CLERK

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Vicki Paquette to the Senior Clerk position in the Tax Collector's Office. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board offered their condolences to family and friends of Elsie Snezek, who recently passed away.

Mr. Murphy read the letter from Jane Murphy, Youth Services Librarian, requesting permission to reserve the Town hall Auditorium for the Animal World Experience Program on Tuesday, July 13, 2010 from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. and in the event of rain on Wednesday, August 11, 2010, to reserve the Auditorium from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the Annual Teddy Bear Parade. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the request. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Last week, Mr. Silvia attended his first meeting of the SRPEDD Commission. After the next SRPEDD meeting, he will give the Board a summary of the meeting.

Residents were reminded of the July 4th "Classic and Antique Vehicles Cruise", raising of the "Big Flag" at the High School and annual ceremony at Fort Phoenix. Everyone was wished a safe July 4th weekend.

Annual Father's Day Road Race was held on Sunday, June 20, 2010. The Board congratulated Allen and Flo Days on another successful race.

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The Board thanked Angela Dawicki, Curtis and Myra Lopes and everyone who again helped make Homecoming Day a huge success. Events held the weekend of June 26th included a “Taste of Fairhaven”, Homecoming Day Fair, Fireman's Muster, Miles for Matty and Relay for Life.

“Liberty Concert” will be held in Cushman Park on Saturday, July 3, 2010 from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Dr. Bowcock reported he had a conversation with Health Agent Patricia Fowle about driving and using a cell phone.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m., Mr. Silvia motioned to go into executive session to discuss the Payroll Clerk position, Alden Road/Bridge Street land exchange, Council on Aging issues and not to reconvene in open session. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.

Jan St. Germain
Secretary