

Selectmen's Meeting – August 23, 2010

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

Also in attendance was Jeffrey Osuch.

Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the minutes of August 9, 2010. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

TOWER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, INC.

Michael Johnson from Tower Resource Management, Inc. was in attendance and explained there is a "gap" in cell phone service on Route 195. T-Mobile would like permission to install a cell phone tower off Long Road, near Route 195, on Town property. He suggested installing a tower no higher than 120' that looks like a pine tree or pole. Discussion followed. A public meeting will be held on Monday, September 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Banquet Room. Abutters within 300' of the proposed location will be notified by mail. Representatives and engineers from T-Mobile will be present.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT STRATEGY AND 2011 APPLICATION

Public Hearing was scheduled for 7:10 p.m. to review the "2010 Fairhaven Community Development Strategy". The Director of Planning and Economic Development summarized the draft plan. (See attached.) Discussion followed. Another Public Hearing will be scheduled for September 7, 2010.

Mr. Silvia motioned to sign a letter outlining the Additional Special Conditions for the FY 10 CDBG Agreement for Middle Street. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (See attached.)

Mr. Silvia motioned to sign the final contract agreement for the Middle Street Pump Station Rehabilitation Project. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (See attached.)

GREEN STREET & BRIDGE STREET STOP SIGNS

Bradford Souza, 188 Green Street, submitted a request for a 4 way Stop Sign at the intersection of Green and Bridge Streets. In his letter, he stated that over the years, all the homes on the corner of Bridge Street and Green Street have been hit. He summarized his August 3, 2010 letter to the Board of Selectmen. (See attached.) Discussion followed. Mr. Silvia motioned to approve 4 way Stop Signs at the intersection of Green Street and Bridge Street. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. The Director of Planning and Economic Development stated the Community Development Block Grant will pay for the signs.

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STYLIN CYCLES, INC.

Hearing was scheduled for 7:40 p.m. on the application submitted for a change of owner for a Class II Car Dealer and Repair License for Stylin Cycles, Inc., 34 Holcomb Street, from Joseph Moura to Richard English. Board of Health had no issues with the change of owner. Workers' Comp. Insurance was submitted and taxes have been paid. Mr. Murphy read the letter from the Building Commissioner stating "the Building Department is in receipt of numerous complaints regarding 34 Holcomb Street, operating an illegal business and allowing someone to occupy the office space above 'Stylin Cycles' as living space. These actions are in direct violation of the Planning Board's original approval, the Zoning By-Law and the Building Codes." The Building Commissioner also stated "the site plan clearly states the rear building is for storage only. It is presently occupied by a business called "Full Throttle', which is a repair shop that is not licensed by the Board, nor has an Occupancy Permit, or any other Town issued permit". Mr. Murphy read the letter from the Building Commissioner in its entirety. (See attached.) Discussion followed. Dr. Bowcock motioned to have the Planning Board review the matter. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Silvia motioned to continue the hearing to September 20, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

New School Building Committee will meet on August 24, 2010 at the High School Library.

WES Construction Job Meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Board of Public Works.

Regional Town Managers meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2010 at 12:00 noon.

Bid opening for Town Hall Exterior Window Painting is scheduled for August 26, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

Grand Opening of The Coalition for Buzzard's Bay new headquarters and education center will be held on August 27, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at 114 Front Street, New Bedford.

Retirement Board will meet on August 31, at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall.

Mr. Silvia motioned to authorize payment to Fall River Electrical Associates, 74 Corneau Street, Fall River, MA in the amount of \$31,994.80. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Town Hall Electrical Restoration)

August 11, 2010 letter from Lois Curley was discussed. (See attached.)

Florence Coles submitted a letter of resignation from the Council on Aging, effective August 13, 2010.

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Appointment of an associate member to a full member on the Council on Aging will be placed on the September 7, 2010 agenda.

The Police Chief submitted a request to call for a Civil Service List for four Police Officers. Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the request. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia motioned to sign "Agreement Number 65341 between the Massachusetts Department of Transportation-Highway Division and the Municipality of Fairhaven" in the amount of \$9,100. and to sign the "Contractor Authorization Signatory Listing Form" (reconstruct and improve Alden Road & Bridge Street). Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

ANIMAL SHELTER

\$20.00 donation to the Gift Account was accepted.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Construction Report for July 2010 will be placed on file.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Murphy read the memo from the Director of Planning and Economic Development requesting Shirley M. Monte be appointed Community Preservation Committee Secretary. (See attached.) Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the request. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

SEAPORT INN, LLC

Mr. Murphy summarized the letter from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission advising the Board of Selectmen that ABCC suspended the Liquor License for the Seaport Inn, LLC, 110 Middle Street, for a total of 13 days. Five days will be served and 8 days will be held in abeyance for a period of 2 years. Suspension is in effective from September 29, 2010 to October 4, 2010. (See attached.)

SELECTMEN'S MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board of Selectmen will meet on Tuesday, September 7th and Monday, September 20th at 6:30 p.m. Schedule for the remainder of 2010 will be placed on the September 7, 2010 agenda.

OUR LADY OF ANGELS

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve a Special All Alcoholic License for September 4, 5 and 6, 2010 for Our Lady of Angels Catholic Association, 7 Jesse Street for their Annual Feast. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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Mr. Murphy read the invitation from Our Lady of Angels to participate in the Annual Festival Procession on Monday, September 6, 2010 beginning at 1:00 p.m. (See attached.) The Board will attend. Mr. Murphy noted he is a member of Our Lady of Angels, but not an officer of the Club.

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF GREATER BOSTON

The United Nations Association of Greater Boston requests a Proclamation to observe the 65th anniversary of the United Nations on October 24, 2010. Mr. Silvia motioned to issue a proclamation. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board offered their condolences to the family and friends of Gilbert Mendes, who recently passed away. Mr. Mendes was a long time member of the Finance Committee.

The Board offered their condolences to the family and friends of Marc Jodoin. His mother recently passed away.

The Board offered their condolences to the family and friends of Yvonne Lacoste, who recently passed away.

Mr. Silvia attended the ceremony to honor Eagle Scout Chad Lubertowicz on Sunday, August 22, 2010 and presented him with a proclamation.

The Board congratulated Felix Witkowicz, who recently received the French Legion of Honor Medal, for his service during World War II. This medal is France's highest honor.

“Walk, Rock & Roll at the Royal”, sponsored by Community Nurse and Hospice Care, is scheduled for Sunday, September 19, 2010.

Mr. Murphy read the letter from the Consulate General of Japan stating he will return to Tokyo in August. (See attached.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:50 p.m., Mr. Silvia motioned to go into executive session to discuss a possible land purchase and not to reconvene in open session. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.

Jan St. Germain
Secretary