

Selectmen's Meeting – October 25, 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 October 12, 2010. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2010 executive session. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

SRPEDD – SOUTH COAST RAIL PROJECT

Nancy Durfee, SRPEDD Senior Comprehensive Planner and a representative from the Executive Office of Transportation and the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development gave a presentation on the South Coast Rail Project. They reviewed the "Town of Fairhaven Priority Development & Protection Areas, September 2008" and South Coast Rail Economic Development and Land Use Corridor Plan". (See attached.) Brief discussion followed.

MANNY & BOB'S AUTO SALES & SERVICE

Attorney Mulford was in attendance and summarized his letter to the Board concerning Manny & Bob's Auto Sales & Service, 196 Huttleston Avenue. (See attached.) Robert Gomes, owner and sole proprietor, recently ceased operations at 196 Huttleston Avenue because of health issues. Alex Sarkis intends to purchase the business and until the transaction is complete, he will work for Mr. Gomes. Attorney Mulford requested the Board's permission to allow Mr. Sarkis to sell and repair used automobiles at 196 Huttleston Avenue under Mr. Gomes' existing licenses, with Mr. Gomes' permission, until Mr. Sarkis' application for new licenses and a closing can take place. Dr. Bowcock motioned to allow Mr. Sarkis to proceed as proposed in the letter. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. The Board wished Mr. Gomes the best with his health issues.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Sub-Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on October 26, 2010.

Flu Clinic is scheduled for October 26, 2010 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Job Meeting with Dimitrios Contracting for Senior/Recreation Center Painting is scheduled for October 27, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

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Insurance Advisory Committee will meet with representatives from Altus Dental on November 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.

New School Building Committee Meeting scheduled for October 26, 2010 was cancelled.

New School Building Committee will meet on November 4, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Rogers School.

WES Construction Job Meeting is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on November 5, 2010 at the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Silvia motioned to authorize final payment in the amount of \$5,510.20 to Fall River Electrical Associates, 74 Corneau Street, Fall River, MA 02722. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Town Hall Electrical Restoration)

Mr. Osuch summarized the report from Dyer Brown SouthCoast Architects for "Miscellaneous Town Hall Historic Restoration Projects" and read the letter to the Community Preservation Committee to submit an application for funding under the Community Preservation Act to make the exterior repairs. (See attached.) Mr. Silvia motioned to sign the letter. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia motioned to send a letter to the Board of Public Works requesting a Town Auction be scheduled. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Deadline to submit a resume for the Council on Aging Director Position is 4:00 p.m. on October 26, 2010.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to have Mr. Murphy represent the Board of Selectmen in the interview process for Council on Aging Director. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Rona Trachtenberg resigned from the Council on Aging. Appointment to fill the vacancy will be placed on the November 8, 2010 agenda.

The Board of Assessors received "Preliminary Certification" from the State. New assessed values are available in the Assessors' Office for property owners to view.

PARK MOTORS

Mr. Silvia motioned to have the Chairman sign the "Activity and Use Limitation Notice", "Written Waiver" for the former Park Motors, 67-69 Middle Street, Fairhaven. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (See attached.)

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Mr. Silvia motioned to appoint Erika Correia Senior Clerk, Assessors' Office. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to compensate Ms. Correia at level 4. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Board of Public Works' request for legal services regarding water and sewer abatement for outstanding charges was resolved with a letter from Town Counsel. (See attached.)

Dr. Bowcock motioned to suggest to the Board of Public Works that they not abate the water/sewer bill. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE SECRETARY

Mr. Murphy read the letter from William Roth, Director of Planning and Economic Development, requesting Lori Walsh be appointed Community Preservation Committee (CPC) Secretary. (See attached.) Mr. Silvia motioned to appoint Ms. Walsh CPC Secretary. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

COUNCIL ON AGING

Mr. Murphy read the letter from the Council on Aging declaring a 1998 Ford Aero Bus surplus. (See attached.) Mr. Silvia motioned to declare the Aero Bus surplus. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Murphy read the letter from the Shellfish Constable requesting the Ford Ranger that belonged to the Building Department be awarded to the Shellfish Department for use by the Deputies. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock will speak with the Shellfish Constable and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve a Sunday Entertainment License for Ice Chest Bar & Grill, 136 Huttleston Avenue, for live entertainment. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (State: May 30, 2010 – May 22, 2011. Town: May 30, 2010 – September 5, 2010, October 10, 2010, February 6, 2011 – May 22, 2011)

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NSTAR GAS

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the petition for gas line maintenance at 3 William Street. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Approved by the Board of Public Works.)

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the petition to install a new gas service at 28 Grandview Avenue. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Approved by the Board of Public Works.)

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve the application from St. Lawrence Church to rent the auditorium on February 19, 2011 for a church fund raiser. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

Annual North Fairhaven Improvement Association Parade was held on October 24th. Mr. Silvia thanked Mr. Murphy for being a judge and Dr. Bowcock for donating the candy. The Board also thanked local businesses, the Emergency Management Agency and the Police Department for their assistance.

Mr. Murphy left the room when Mr. Silvia announced the M. O. L.I.F.E., Inc. 7th Annual Cocktail Party on November 4, 2010 from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. at the Century House, 107 South Main Street, Acushnet. Proceeds to benefit the M. O. L.I.F.E. food pantry.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 p.m., Mr. Silvia motioned to go into executive session to discuss contract issues (Seaport Inn) and not to reconvene in open session. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.

Jan St. Germain
Secretary