Selectmen's Meeting June 15, 2015 4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date in the meeting room of Town Hall. Members present were: Michael Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret E. Serpa and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Town Administrator Pamela Dolby.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was the revised taxi regulations which are now called "The Regulations to Transport Persons".

Ms. Dolby stated that they have been changed to include ride share businesses. They must adhere to all the same rules as taxis excluding use of the taxi stands. The cars must be inspected and drivers licensed.

Melaney West, owner of Stagecoach Taxi, stated she had no problem with the new regulations. She asked if she should submit a letter now to request a cease and desist for Uber or wait.

The consensus was that she should wait until the Board can get the new regulations to Uber and they have the chance to comply.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve and accept the new regulations. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then addressed an application for a one day liquor license for Stina Sayre Design on Winter Street. Present was manager Krista Riley.

Mr. Smadbeck asked about policing. How would they monitor who is drinking and make sure no one leaves with beverages.

Ms. Riley responded that most of her clientele is over 40 however they did plan on checking identification and would have someone monitoring the door so no one leaves with beverages.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the application. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

For the YMCA to hang a banner for their event on July 3rd from June 29 to July 3.

For MVCS to hang a banner for their event on July 26 from July 20 to July 26.

The Board accepted the resignation of Police Chief David Rossi from the School Committee.

At 4:10pm the Board appointed the following people to the Chappaquiddick Wireless Committee: Chairman Woody Filley, Roger Becker, Jonathan Cobb, Bob Gurnitz, Chris Kennedy and Adam Darack as liaison.

Mr. Donaroma then opened the next item on the agenda which was the Planning Board and their findings on the Chappaquiddick Ferry line on Simpson's Lane. Present were: Planning Board members Mike McCourt and Bob Sparks; Chappy Ferry owner Peter Wells; and a couple of abutters including Dudley Cannada.

Mr. McCourt and Mr. Sparks gave a presentation. They had four hearings and went on site visits which provided a lot of information. Came up with recommendations to help 1. Add more police coverage such as two officers. 2. New color coded road lines. 3. Signage.

Mr. Sparks thought that a pair of experienced officers that know the line and the people would work best.

Ms. Georgiana Greenough, Planning Board Assistant spoke of hiring a traffic consultant.

Ms. Dolby stated that they should use the MVC consultant for all the money the town pays.

Mr. McCourt stated that her name is Priscilla and she's already been very helpful. They could pursue things with her further.

Ms. Serpa thought the officer idea was good if there were enough to cover this year. Signage was also a good idea.

Ms. Dolby stated that they had a meeting that morning to work out how it would work and try having the same officers there most of the time.

Mr. Stuart Fuller explained how he would paint the areas for parking, place new signage, and trim back bushes that are in the right of way.

Mr. Wells stated that he now has a webcam down Simpson's Lane on the Lightkeeper's Inn. He was working on making it available on the website. He suggested that anyone could look it up once it is up on the website. His web designer was on it. He then asked Mr. Fuller about putting arrows on the street on Dock St. and a yield sign on Chappy Point.

Mr. Donaroma asked about making it obvious that the areas are no parking in front of the driveways.

Mr. Fuller replied that it was up to the police to enforce.

Ms. Dolby explained that was what the extra police were for.

Ms. Cannada stated that it's 8 or 9 driveways that have a tough time getting out with the line.

Mr. Donaroma replied that these ideas should work to ease some of the issues. The Board is doing what they can.

Ms. Dolby shared a suggestion she had received that landscapers should try to get over earlier in the day.

Mr. Smadbeck thanked the Planning Board for all their hard work.

Mr. Cannada then went on a rant about how the people on Simpson's Lane were not going to be patient anymore and that it was ridiculous that they get trapped in their driveways.

Mr. Donaroma replied that they were trying to work with what they had and come up with some solutions.

The Board then voted to appoint Zack Townes and Curtis Chandler as Full Time Special Officers from June 18th to June 30th and appoint them as Full Time Officers on July 1st. They would be put on the agenda on June 29th to get sworn in.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Travel Voucher for Parks.

End of the year budget transfer \$1,630 from health insurance to veterans account.

At 4:33PM Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose Assistant

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck Board of Selectmen