

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**December 9, 2013**  
**4:00 pm**

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

At 4:00 pm Chairman Serpa opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was two requests from the Shellfish Committee concerning staff. Present for the Committee was Jack Blake, Donald Benefit, and Les Baynes. Also present were Paul Bagnall, Warren Gaines, and Rob Morrison.

Mr. Bagnall stated that they were looking to increase Mr. Morrison's hours from 32 to 40 hours per week and to add another full time position at 30 hours.

Mr. Greg Pallermo, citizen of Edgartown, spoke in favor of adding more Shellfish personnel and the oyster project in Sengekontacket.

Mr. Donaroma stated that the increase in hours from 32 to 40 was fairly easy and straight forward. Adding a whole new position was more complicated. He asked the Shellfish Committee if they support the requests.

Mr. Blake responded that they did.

Mr. Smadbeck asked if there were any grants available or if it could be a contract position.

Mr. Bagnall replied that there were grants for the oyster farming, but that they also needed help with enforcement and the quahog and steamer seed programs.

Ms. Serpa felt that the two requests needed to be separated. She was alright with increasing hours, but the addition of a new position would be expensive with the pay and the benefits package.

Mr. Donaroma moved to increase Mr. Morrison's position's hours from 32-40 hours per week. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma moved to take the addition of a new position into consideration. The Board needs to be prudent. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that he would really like them to look into a contract. Benefits are expensive.

Ms. Serpa then moved on to Lattanzi's Restaurant and stated that the Board had received a request to close from December 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Lattanzi, and Mr. Skip Tommassian, their attorney.

Ms. Dolby stated that the property has sold and the Lattanzis do not have a lease or liability insurance to the best of her knowledge.

Mr. Tommassian stated that the restaurant has been sold to Island Realty Trust. They have a tenant in mind. The Lattanzis have agreed to make the transition as smooth as possible and allow time for the new people to come in. There is no lease.

Mr. Lattanzi added that they did renew the liability insurance.

It was agreed to ask Town Counsel to call the ABCC how to proceed.

The Board then approved the following items:

The minutes of November 4th, 12th, and 18th, 2013.

Auto Dealer Licenses for Russell Swartz, and AAA Island Auto Sales LLC.

Auto Rental License for MV Auto Rentals, Inc.

A One Day Liquor License for the Edgartown National Bank for Christmas in Edgartown.

To reappoint James Joyce as representative to the Martha's Vineyard Commission.

To sign a letter supporting the application for state tax credits for the Island Housing Trust.

At 4:24pm Mr. Smadbeck moved to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and not to return into public session. Mr. Donaroma seconded. A roll call vote was held where all voted aye. Unanimous.

Approved:

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Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman

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Arthur Smadbeck

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Michael J. Donaroma  
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose  
Assistant

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