

Selectmen's Meeting
July 23, 2012
4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date in the Fred B. Morgan Jr. Meeting Room, Town Hall. Members present were: Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret Serpa; and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Ms. Pamela Dolby, Town Administrator.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting.

The Board accepted a photograph by Louisa Gould, presented by Brock Callen, as a gift to the Town from Jim Swartz for the town allowing the containers from Sailing Challenge on June 28th to reside in the parking lot on the bottom of Main St. and for the assistance and cooperation of the Harbormaster, Police Department and Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Donaroma then opened the posted hearing on Nstar's request to run fiber optic cable through the underground conduit from Dock Street under the harbor, along Chappaquiddick Rd. to Litchfield Rd. Karen Corriveau, Right of Way Agent, was present from Nstar.

Ms. Corriveau stated that they would not block traffic and were eager to start. She indicated that Nstar was doing the work for Comcast.

Ms. Dolby suggested that if Nstar could work it out with the Police Chief, seeing how important the project was to the people of Chappaquiddick, the Board may want to allow them to do it now instead of waiting until September 15th.

Mr. Peter Wells, Owner of the Chappaquiddick Ferry, stated that the project was important and that he would be fine with only one lane of traffic on Dock St., if need be.

Mr. Donaroma closed the public portion of the hearing at 4:03. Ms. Serpa then moved to approve the project with the stipulation that Nstar get approval of the Highway Superintendent and the Police Chief and provide a schedule of work. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Roger Becker, Chappaquiddick resident, then asked for an update on the contract negotiations with Comcast.

Ms. Dolby stated that she would have more information the following day when she is supposed to have an important discussion. Comcast had wanted to create something similar to a condo association for Chappaquiddick and she didn't think that was a plausible solution. She invited Mr. Becker to call her Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Becker then asked if they would need another extension for negotiations.

Mr. Bob Gurnitz, also a Chappaquiddick resident, asked what was in the proposal.

Ms. Dolby stated again that she would have more information on Tuesday.

Mr. Becker then thanked Pam for all her hard work for the people of Chappaquiddick. All of the residents present agreed.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Commercial Marine License for Captain Porky's.

Yard Sale Permits for: Leslie Deal, 5 Silva Lane; and Gloria Sylvia, 20 West Tisbury Rd.

A One Day Liquor License for North Water Gallery for July 26th subject to providing proof of liability insurance.

The Minutes of 7/9 and 7/12.

The Board referred a Dangerous Dog complaint from Jessica Burnham to the Animal Control Officer for investigation.

Ms. Dolby then addressed the Old School and the eventual replacement by the new Library. She stated that they were working on scheduling getting the documents out to the new storage. They would then have a walkthrough with departments that may want anything in the school. She would also like to have a taxpayer day, where people could come and take or purchase items. Salvagers can then look at what was left. She anticipated people wanting fixtures, bricks, and scrap metal and such.

Mr. Donaroma stated that the Building Committee would be having a meeting soon. They hadn't had one in a while and thought it was time.

Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn at 4:14 PM. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant

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