

Selectmen's Meeting

June 20, 2011

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: Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman; Michael J. Donaroma, and Margaret E. Serpa. Also present was Ms. Pamela Dolby, Town Administrator.

At 4:00 p.m. Mr. Smadbeck opened the meeting. The first item on the agenda was the annual review on Mr. Leonard Jason, Building and Zoning Inspector. Mr. Jason could not attend so the Board rescheduled the review for the following week. The Board then moved on to the next item being the Vietor property at 31 South Water St. Present were Mr. David Vietor, Ms. Jane Varkonda, Conservation Agent; & Ms. Christina Brown, Conservation Commission member.

Ms. Brown stated that Mr. Vietor's property had filled tidelands of which he would like to make changes to. There is assumed public access because it is filled tidelands. The Vietors would like to make the area unavailable to the public because it is not easily accessible. The bulkhead was built in 1850. The Conservation Commission (ConCom) has no problem with the work being done. They would like the Board to look at the public access issue. The Harbor Plan calls for harbor side walkways in the village. This property is right outside the "village". ConCom agrees that public access is not possible in this area. In these cases the protocol is for the property owner to "mitigate and compensate to make recompensation" meaning that they would make a monetary payment to be put toward other public access to the harbor. The state says that the money should stay in town and be put toward specific projects.

Ms. Varkonda stated that the deadline for correspondence was Thursday June 23rd.

Mr. Donaroma moved to write a letter of support of compensation for the Vietor public access and authorize Ms. Dolby to sign on the Board's behalf. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

It was agreed that the Board would have a meeting in the future with ConCom and the Marine Advisory Committee to discuss the expenditure of the funds.

Mr. Smadbeck then recognized Ms. Carol Fligor, member of the Beautification Committee, who was in for an update of the project to put a "Welcome to Edgartown" sign at the triangle. She showed a picture of the sign and had a plan map. She asked the Board to sign the map showing approval for the state to grant final approval for signage.

Mr. Donaroma moved to sign the plans. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck then moved on to the next item which was the request from the MV Joint Affordable Housing Group (MVJAHG) to use Edgartown Affordable Housing Trust funds for a portion of a housing needs study.

Ms. Serpa stated that she considered it the Martha's Vineyard Commission's obligation. She moved not to approve the use of funds. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

The Executive Session minutes of 6/6/11 and the Regular Session Minutes of 6/10/11.

The MV Multisport Scoops 5K race.

A Yard Sale Permit for Jane Walsh for 6/25 at 11 Shurtleff's Way.

To appoint traffic officers: Jim Bishop and Richard O'Dell

A Transient Vendor License for Vineyard Bath Co. on North Summer St.

Commercial Marine License renewals for Louis Paciello, Russ Lawrence, Townsend Morey, Edgartown Boatyard Inc, Scout Harborview Mgmt. LLC., & Edgartown Marine Boat Services Inc.

A one day liquor license for Wheel Happy's grand opening.

Transfers for the Council on Aging for \$421 from Expenses to Salaries and for the Animal Control Office for \$250 from Salaries to Expenses.

Commitments for the Harbormaster's Office for FY11 for abatements in Commitment #2 of \$1235 and fees in Commitment #3 of \$3685.

The Board then addressed correspondence they had received about the new bike directions on Main St. between the monument and Cannonball Park. They had received two critical emails from David Whitmon and James Miller. They had also received one of praise from Sara Piazza an abutter to the piece of road.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that he road his bike into town and he could see that it was working psychologically.

Mr. Donaroma stated that it was a good guide of where the bikes should go.

Mr. Fuller stated that the rule of width is 2-20 feet wide. These are 2.5 feet. He would have made them wider if possible. Unfortunately, it is an old town with old road width layouts that are narrow.

Ms. Dolby stated that it was a trial.

Mr. Smadbeck reiterated that it was a good guide.

Ms. Serpa then recused herself not to return.

At 4:24pm The Board voted by roll call vote each voting aye to go into executive session to discuss police contracts.

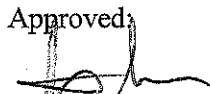
At 4:40pm The Board returned to public session.


Mr. Smadbeck moved to sign the police contracts for the Superiors and Patrolmen. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

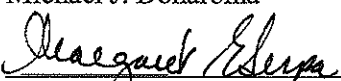
Mr. Donaroma moved to adjourn at 4:43pm. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:


Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman


Michael J. Donaroma


Margaret E. Serpa
Board of Selectmen

Kristy Rose
Assistant