

Selectmen's Meeting

June 7, 2010

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

At 4:00 p.m. Ms. Serpa opened the meeting and addressed the first item of business which was the Atlantic Restaurant requesting to have valet parking. Mr. Sean Murphy was present to represent the applicant. He explained that Atlantic would like to have valet parking in the loading zone in front of the restaurant. The cars would be parked at a private leased lot on North Summer St. The loading zone can hold 4-5 vehicles with a small extension they are also requesting. He has discussed this with the Police Department and the Highway Superintendent. They would like a chance to try it out this summer and agree that if there are any problems it will be immediately shut down. The plan would be to operate from 2pm – 11:30pm for dinnertime. He suggested that if it worked it could possibly be extended to other parts of town.

Lt. Tony Bettencourt stated that it was not an exclusive use of the loading zone. Anybody can use a loading zone to load and unload. He was concerned about returning cars and the cars sitting for long periods of time. He didn't want to see cars sitting there.

Mr. Stuart Fuller, Highway Superintendent, suggested that it would relieve the circle parking search.

Mr. Donaroma stated it could be a benefit to the town. If it worked it could be a good use for the Board of Trade.

Ms. Serpa asked how the town would benefit. Would there be any licensing fees?

Ms. Dolby replied that there would be in the future if the experiment worked.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the expansion of the loading zone. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Mr. Rob Young, Electrician. Mr. Young wanted permission to run electricity across town land on Assessor's Map 19B lot 4 to a privately owned dock. He showed the Board a map and stated that it would all be underground and would not disturb the new walkway. He has already acquired permission from the Conservation Commission.

Mr. Fuller stated that he did not have issue with the request as long as Mr. Young complied with the Conservation Commission's decision and restoration plan.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Mr. Peter Wells, Chappaquiddick ferry owner. Mr. Wells wanted to adjust some of the signage for the ferry line. He would like to put the temporary sign back up at the corner of Pease Point Way and Main St. and would like to replace the sign on Mayhew Lane and the one at the top of Daggett St.

Ms. Serpa stated that those changes were fine with the Board as long as he worked with Mr. Fuller and that he was satisfied with the outcome.

The Board then approved the following items:

The minutes for 5/3/10, 5/10/10, & 5/17/10.

To appoint the following Special Officers Assigned to Traffic: James O. Bishop, William B. Johnson, Micah J. Agnoli, Brooks D. Billingham, Lamar J. Moreis, Alexander O Bettencourt, Joshua S. Baker, Seth A. Harlow, and Emily Walkenstein.

To reappoint Donald Benefit to the Shellfish Committee.

A Common Victualler license for Shiretown Meats.

To sign Nectar's Liquor License.

A Commercial Marine License for William Erickson.

A request for transfer of funds for the Animal Control Officer.

Travel Vouchers for the Library, Waste Water, Water, and Assessors.

Two One day liquor license for the Christina Gallery for 7/15/10 & 8/12/10.

To refer a vicious dog complaint to the Animal Control Officer for investigation.

A Yard Sale Permit for Melissa Hammond at 25 Woodhaven Dr. on 6/12/10 from 9-1.

A Sunday Entertainment License for Nectar's.

To approve the Dredge Department to receive a motor from the Harbormaster.

To appoint Charlie Blair to the Sick Bank for 2 years.

A Livery license for the Trustees of Reservations.

Ms. Serpa then addressed a letter and suggested plan the Board had received from a concerned citizen in reference to Pease Point Way. She asked Mr. Fuller for his input.

Mr. Fuller replied that there was some conflict in the suggested design and that an engineering study would be needed. He suggested that he could perhaps get a free study from some engineering students so the town wouldn't have to spend any money. He did say that there was a crosswalk in the plan he could implement. The crosswalk would cross Winter St. and then Church St. so it was not one continuous crosswalk anymore.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that they could have the new crosswalk.

Ms. Serpa stated that the response to the letter would be that there would be an engineering study needed before anything other than the crosswalk would be implemented.

Ms. Serpa then addressed a letter from a concerned neighbor on 6th St. about dumping on a Town owned property abutting hers.

Ms. Dolby suggested writing a letter to the Edgartown Affordable Housing Trust and asking them to survey and fence the piece of land so that dumping would not continue and they could look into using them for affordable housing.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to move forward with asking the Edgartown Affordable Housing Trust to survey and fence in the lots and look into their future use for Affordable Housing. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Dolby then addressed the paving by the state of Upper Main St. in the previous week. Several Town employees had received rude threatening phone calls in reference to the timing. Ms. Dolby just wanted to clarify for the record that it was the State that did the work and that they did not notify the Town until 4pm the day before they started.

Ms. Serpa then excused herself from the meeting.

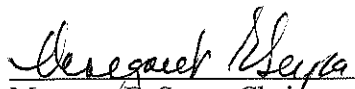
Mr. Smadbeck announced that the next item of business concerned Lt. Bettencourt. Ms. Serpa could not sit due to her relation to Mr. Bettencourt and Mr. Smadbeck also has a conflict. Due to the need for 2 Selectmen to form a quorum, Mr. Smadbeck filed a personal disclosure with the Town Clerk and would be sitting on this item of business.

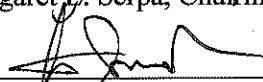
Mr. Donaroma moved to accept Chief Condlin's retirement agreement. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then moved to promote Lt. Antone Bettencourt to Acting Chief of Police until August 7, 2010 when he will become Chief of Police. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma moved to adjourn at 4:30 pm. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:


Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman


Arthur Smadbeck

Michael J. Donaroma
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant

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