

Selectmen's Meeting

July 19, 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, and Michael J. Donaroma. Also present was Ms. Pamela Dolby, Town Administrator.

At 4:00 p.m. Ms. Serpa opened the meeting. The first item of business was the annual review for Mr. Paul Bagnall, Shellfish Constable. Mr. Bagnall had been scheduled in the previous meeting but was delayed due being a responder to the fire in Menemsha. He presented a Shellfish Update to the Board dated July 12th of which a copy is attached.

Mr. Donaroma stated that Mr. Bagnall does his job well. He understood that his position could be challenging especially during scalloping season. He asked for an update of Great Pond.

Mr. Bagnall replied that the next opening of Great Pond would be August 1st. He then explained that Sengkontacket Pond was experiencing a bit of a bump in the road for reopening. The last rainfall tests had a couple of high results. The next rainfall test would be done July 21st.

Ms. Serpa stated that Mr. Bagnall was always good at updating the Board. He was always working on seeding areas and concerned about providing the best environment for them. She referred to a request in the Shellfish Update that requested that the second warden position vacated by Mr. Francis Fisher III would be made a full time position and she stated that it would have to be looked into financially first before it could be approved.

Mr. Donaroma moved to give Mr. Bagnall a positive review. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Bagnall thanked the Board and remarked that he couldn't do it without the help of his assistant Warren and the staff in the Selectmen's Office.

Ms. Serpa then moved on to the annual review for Mr. Lenny Jason, Building & Zoning Inspector. Mr. Jason had also been scheduled for the previous meeting but had to postpone his review due to the Menemsha fire.

Mr. Donaroma asked Mr. Jason when he started with the Town.

Mr. Jason replied since 1984 which is 26 years.

Mr. Donaroma stated that the Board was glad to have him with all his experience and knowledge. Mr. Jason is an asset to the Town.

Ms. Serpa stated that Mr. Jason has a tough job and that he's willing to work with people to rectify situations.

Mr. Donaroma moved to give Mr. Jason a favorable review. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Mr. Kyle Byrne. Mr. Byrne had a dog hearing the previous meeting and was present to show the Board his plan for containing his dogs and get their approval. Ms. Barbara Prada, Animal Control Officer, was also present.

Ms. Prada stated that Mr. Byrne's landlord had seen the hearing on tv and decided that he didn't want to allow the fenced in pen with cement floor that the Board had requested. But, that Mr. Byrne had come up with an alternative plan that she felt was acceptable.

Mr. Byrne presented his plan of containing his dogs in the garage with a fence around the cement apron so they can get out in the air but still be contained. He presented the Board with a plan. He also requested that the dogs be allowed to be on a run in harnesses if they are supervised.

Mr. Donaroma moved to accept the plan for containment of the dogs and to permit the dogs to be out on the run on harnesses only when supervised by Mr. Byrne and that Mr. Byrne had to comply with all orders within 14 days. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Junk Dealer's License for Serendipity Antiques.

A Transient Vendor's License for Serendipity Antiques.

Commercial Marine Licenses for Thomas Rapone dba Highly Migratory Guide Service and Bruce Farland dba Great Harbor Boatyard.

A Request to FINCOM to transfer \$252.68 for the Shellfish Department.

Permission for the Conservation Commission to go to Town Council in reference to the Minipark lease.

Permission for the Rotary Club to hang their banner for the Pancake Breakfast from August 2nd - 9th.

Permission for Johnny Cupcakes to sell out of the store next to Dock St. Coffee Shop from August 13th - 22nd. With the stipulation that if the line becomes overwhelming, unruly or blocks traffic that a police detail would be hired.

Ms. Dolby then reported that the Board had received a request from Historic New England to place a preservation restriction. She would like to consult Town Council before the Board signs the restrictions. The Board approved Ms. Dolby referring to Town Council.

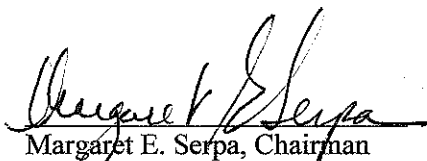
Ms. Dolby then asked the Board to vote to no longer offer Blue Cross Blue Shield Master Health Plus also known as the "Indemnity Plan". This is an expensive plan that the Town is trying to phase out. People who are on the plan would get to keep it, but no one new could go on it. Mr. Donaroma moved to make it so. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Dolby then asked for the Board to approve the addition of Aflac to the offerings by the town to it's employees. She also asked that any further additions be voted by the Board before any paperwork was filled out. Mr. Donaroma moved to make it so. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

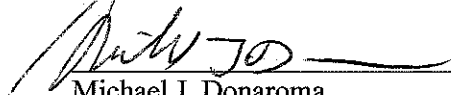
She then asked the board if they could write a letter to the By-ways Committee to let them be aware that a nomination of a by-way needs to have a neighborhood's support before being nominated. The Board agreed.

Mr. Donaroma moved to adjourn at 4:20pm. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:


Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman

Not in attendance
Arthur Smadbeck


Michael J. Donaroma
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant

July 19, 2010