

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**October 13, 2009**  
**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 Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret Serpa & Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Pamela Dolby, Town Administrator.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and the floor to the Dredge Department for an update. Present were Mr. Norman Rankow, Chairman, and Mr. Ed Handy, Foreman.

Mr. Rankow stated that due to some oversight, some of the Town's dredging permits had expired limiting what can be done this winter. The permits in Sengecontacket are still good and they've chosen to start there. The plan is to start dredging and dewatering near the big bridge and truck the sand to its destination. This sand will be used for Bend in the Road Beach and perhaps Cow Bay or the County sections of the beach. This will also keep the dredge in the area if Oak Bluffs obtains their permits. Part of the plan is to remove some of the not so nice sand from the Bend in the Road and replace it with nicer sand. The surplus sand will be sold as an RFP with the stipulation that the applicant has to already have a permit to move the sand in place.

Ms. Serpa asked if the immediate plan was to nourish the Bend in the Road and County Beach.

Mr. Rankow responded that they could help the County with extra sand and that putting the extra sand on the County beach would only benefit the Bend beach.

Mr. Donaroma stated that it was good to get the sand out of Sengecontacket and increase the flow.

At 4:05 pm Mr. Donaroma gave the floor to Adam Darack, IT Manager, who was present to speak about an Emergency Notification System. He started thinking about it when Oak Bluffs had their water issue and based on that, Sharkey's text system seemed to work the best for getting the word out.

Mr. Darack has found a system that for 4 cents per text can send a group text out to notify the public of an emergency situation. The participants would have to sign up for the service and it's free to sign up. They could sign up through a link on the web site or text to a special phone number. He has talked to the Fire, Police, and EMTs and they are all on board. The reverse 911 system is being looked into but it is expensive and takes a long time to put into action.

Mr. Donaroma asked if each person needed to sign up.

Mr. Darack replied that yes each person needs to sign up and that hopefully those people would then spread the word.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that this would be a good way to get the word out to the public.

Mr. Darack remarked that he would like to get up at Special Town Meeting and hand out sheets with the information to the voters to start getting the word out.

The Selectmen agreed that Mr. Darack should put this system in place.

The Board then approved the following items:

Four (4) One Day Liquor Licenses and one (1) Auctioneer License for the Board of Trade for their Wine and Food Festival.

For Vineyard Smiles to hold a Senior Dental Clinic on October 30<sup>th</sup> in the Fred B. Morgan Jr. Meeting Room of the Town Hall.

The Minutes from September 14<sup>th</sup> and September 21<sup>st</sup> (Ms. Serpa abstained from September 21<sup>st</sup>)

Lattanzi's to close from November 1<sup>st</sup> through November 28<sup>th</sup>.

To sign a letter to the MVC referring to a new DCPC.

Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn at 4:15pm. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:

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Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

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Margaret E. Serpa

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Arthur Smadbeck  
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose  
Assistant