

Selectmen's Meeting
January 23, 2017
4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date in the meeting room of Town Hall. Members present were: Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman and Arthur Smadbeck.

At 4:00pm Ms. Serpa opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was the quarterly report and annual farm census from Barbara Prada, Animal Control Officer.

Ms. Prada gave a quick overview of the report.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to accept the report. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then recognized the Wharf Committee. Present was Juliet Mulinare and Charlie Blair.

Ms. Mulinare asked the Board to approve the bid from Trademark Services, the low bidder at \$249,000. The Wharf Committee has voted to approve the low bidder. The second low bidder is still protesting and has threatened to take the town to court. He has also asked the town not to vote on the bid. Ms. Mulinare encouraged the Board to continue with the vote.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck then covered the next item on the agenda. Mr. Pimentel could not come to the meeting because he had to leave the island quickly due to forecasted weather. Present in his place was Mr. Robert Hanneman.

Mr. Hanneman stated that he represents the Vineyard Sustainable Energy Committee (VSEC) an adhoc committee that they hoped to make an all island committee supported by all the towns to promote sustainable energy. He referred to the energy section of the all island plan and making decisions for the benefit of the whole island such as obtaining electric school buses. The MVC has offered administrative support.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that the group needed a lot more details to make a new committee. He asked that they come back when they have more information.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Police Chief David Rossi.

Chief Rossi was present to discuss a petition article the town had received for annual town meeting. He stated that he was confused by the article. The police department does not actively go out and enforce immigration laws. The current practice was not going to change unless the law changes then they will tackle that issue when it comes. He doesn't see a need for this article and just wanted to let the Board know the current practice and make sure they are on the same page.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that he understood and agrees with him. He has never been concerned about the Edgartown Police Force.

The Board thanked Chief Rossi for coming in.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Mr. Andrew Kelly from the Cemetery Commission. He asked the administrative duties to be reassigned to Jessica McGroarty for the Cemetery.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

To ask the Town Administrator to contact Peter Wells about an increase in the cost of a ride book and set a public hearing date.

To approve the Oak Bluffs Land and Wharf Company to use Upper Main St. as far into town as the Triangle, West Tisbury Rd. and Beach Rd.

To respond to a letter from Mr. Kim about his neighbor and that it is now in court and is in the hands of town counsel.

Four Common Victualler Licenses: Quarter Deck, Atria, MV Cinema Corp. and The Seafood Shanty.

At 4:29 PM Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:

Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman

Arthur Smadbeck

Michael J. Donaroma
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant