

Selectmen's Meeting
March 20, 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; Michael Donaroma and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Town Administrator Pamela Dolby.

At 4:00pm Ms. Serpa opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was a tree hearing for the Highway Department for the removal of trees along Meetinghouse Rd. to enable the paving of said road and add a bike lane. Present was Highway Superintendant and Tree Warden Stuart Fuller.

Mr. Fuller stated that they would like to remove approximately 125 trees which are mostly pitch pine with some scrub oak mixed in. They vary from 2" to 10" diameter.

Mr. Smadbeck asked about the location and width of the bike lanes.

Mr. Fuller stated that the bike lanes would be about 3' on either side of the road. The road was not wide enough for a bike path with a buffer in between the road and path.

There being no further comment, Ms. Serpa closed the hearing at 4:04pm. Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the removal of the trees. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then opened the next item on the agenda which was an aquaculture hearing for Francis Fisher Jr. and Francis Fisher III who have an aquaculture lot together. Francis Fisher Jr. and his wife Laurie Fisher were present. Also present were Shellfish Committee members: Cooper Gilkes, Donald Benefit, and Ryan Smith; and Shellfish Wardens Paul Bagnall, Warren Gaines, Rob Morrison and Peter Jackson.

Mr. Bagnall stated that the Shellfish Committee asked to have this hearing before the Board renews Messrs. Fisher's aquaculture lease to ensure he will follow the rules. He has had several warnings and infractions. The Committee would like to warn him that if there are any more infractions his lease will be revoked.

Mr. Fisher Jr. stated that all his property is in his lease area.

Mr. Bagnall stated that he asked Mr. Jackson to check the previous day and there are cages in the narrows.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the renewal of Messrs. Fisher's aquaculture lease. If there is one more violation or infraction the lease will be revoked and the Fishers will have one year from the date of notice to vacate the premises as requested by the Shellfish Committee. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Bagnall then asked the Board to close Sengekontacket to Oysters on March 31st and open Great Pond to Oysters on April 3rd with a limit of 2 level 10 gallon wash baskets per day.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to make the oyster season changes. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

After considering the letter of references and information from Procurement Officer Juliet Mulinare, the Board voted to choose the second low bidder for the Police Department Landscaping Project which was TDR Landscaping at the amount of \$94, 820.

The Board then approved the following items:

Renewal of Ryan Smith's Aquaculture Lease.

Used Car Dealer License for Cars Unlimited.

A Lodging House License for Edgartown Commons.

An Innholders License for the Colonial Inn d/b/a Vineyard Square.

Commitments for the Harbormaster Department.

To appoint Wanda Williams as the Town's Records Access Officer with Pamela Dolby as Alternate.

At 4:20 PM Mr. Smadbeck moved to go into executive session - To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property. (re: 66 Main St. aka The Yellow House). Mr. Donaroma seconded. To which there was held a roll call vote where all voted aye. Unanimous. Present for the executive session were Gerret Conover and Chris Scott.

Approved:

Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman

Arthur Smadbeck

Michael J. Donaroma
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant