

Selectmen's Meeting
June 19, 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: Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman; Michael Donaroma, and Margaret Serpa.

At 4:00pm Mr. Smadbeck opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was a public hearing for changes to the Shellfish Regulations. Shellfish Warden Paul Bagnall was not present yet so Mr. Smadbeck chose to take care of some regular business first.

The Board approved the following items:

An increase in the amount the County receives from parking tickets from \$1.50-\$2.00.

Travel Vouchers for the Police, Dredge, and Water Departments.

A Common Victualler License for "Put An Egg On It"

A Banner over Main St. for Camp Jabberwocky Run from August 12th-19th.

A letter to the Katama Aiport Commission that George Smith dba Gentle Wings Aviation is in violation of his lease.

Mr. Bagnall then arrived. Also present were Shellfish Committee Members Les Baynes and Christian Thornton.

Mr. Bagnall covered the changes. There were some clarifications and adjustments mostly to the aquaculture regulations. License fees are the same.

Mr. Smadbeck asked about aquaculture and how licensing works. He asked about future expansion.

Mr. Bagnall stated that there were discussions on expansion.

There being no public input, Mr. Smadbeck closed the public hearing. Mr. Donaroma moved to approve the changes. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then appointed Ralph Savory and Ralph Peckham as Seasonal Shellfish Wardens.

The Board thanked the Shellfish Committee and Mr. Bagnall. Mr. Smadbeck then moved on to the next item which was the Fire Chief Peter Shemeth.

Chief Shemeth stated that he would soon reach the mandatory retirement age of 65 in January. The Board of Fire Engineers would like to work with the Board of Selectmen on finding a new Chief. If it were to be an in house promotion, that would domino down through the ranks and there needs to be a plan of action.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that his recommendation was to have Chief Shemeth and Ms. Dolby flush out the detail of a plan for the process.

Ms. Dolby asked what the Board of Fire Engineers were envisioning.

Chief Shemeth thought that there would be advancement from within.

Mr. Smadbeck thought that would be the best for Edgartown. He thanked Chief Shemeth for coming in and then recognized Police Chief David Rossi.

Chief Rossi presented Officers Alex Guest and Kyle Altieri with Commendations for saving a man at the Port Hunter after he had collapsed unexpectedly by reacting quickly and providing CPR until the Paramedics arrived.

Officer Altieri described the incident to the Board.

The Board praised the good work of the officers and their teamwork.

The Board then approved a Commercial Marine License for Sea Saw Charters.

Mr. Smadbeck then moved on to the next item on the agenda which was a presentation by Vineyard Power about Wind Power. Present were Paul Pimentel and Richard Andre.

Mr. Andre gave a presentation and update on offshore wind project called Vineyard Wind. The area is 14 miles south of South Beach. Engineering of type of bases, towers and locations is now ongoing. They are focusing on export cable routes which are where the power cable will meet the main land. There are three of which two are in Barnstable and one in Falmouth. They are working on notifying fishermen that they will be out in the area.

Mr. Smadbeck asked how this will affect the rate payers of Edgartown in the long run.

Mr. Andre replied that it would be a small impact over the whole state. It will be very minimal if any. It will depend on the provider. It will be in the mix that the provider uses.

The Board then approved the following items:

An excavation permit with police detail on the corner of Summer St. and Pease Point Way. Mr. Fuller stated that it was within the moratorium, but was an emergency.

Commitments for the Harbormasters Office.

Common Victualler License for Tropical Bakery.

Accepted the resignation of Ann Floyd as an alternate to the Historic District Commission and appointed Mina Worley as her replacement.

Five livery licenses for The Trustees of Reservations.

Permission to the 8th grade class to sell bottled water on the 4th of July.

Appointed Kara Shemeth to the Byways Committee.

At 4:41 PM Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous

Approved:

Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman

Michael J. Donaroma

Margaret E. Serpa
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant