

Selectmen's Meeting
January 11, 2016
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 and Margaret E. Serpa.

At 4:00 pm Ms. Serpa opened the meeting. The first item the Board addressed was the request of the Shellfish Committee to close Cape Pogue to scalloping. Shellfish Warden Paul Bagnall was present.

Mr. Bagnall stated that there is a lot of seed and not many adults left. They would like to close as of January 16th and revisit the closure at the Committee's March 1st meeting to possibly reopen on March 7th.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the closure and the possible reopening at the discretion of the Shellfish Committee on March 7th. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then opened the public hearing for Eversource to run cable and conduit under S. Water Street to provide service to 6 S. Water Street. Present was Jessica Elder from Eversource, Highway Superintendent Stuart Fuller and Gino Courtney property owner.

Ms. Elder explained the project as a conduit to provide service.

Mr. Fuller stated that he had no issue with the project.

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

At 4:05 pm Ms. Serpa opened the public shade tree hearing for 30 Simpson's Lane. Present was Dennis Redican of Tabor Tree and Stuart Fuller, Tree Warden.

Mr. Redican explained the two trees to be removed are dead on their top third. They would like to replace them with one tree and increase their parking area.

Mr. Fuller stated that the trees were not well taken care of and poorly pruned during construction.

Ms. Serpa stated that she had issue with only replacing one and that they wanted to increase parking.

Mr. Fuller stated that he would also like to see them both replaced.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the removal with two replacement trees in locations and species agreed upon between Mr. Redican and Mr. Fuller by June 30, 2016. There will be no loss of parking on the street. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

At 4:10 pm Ms. Serpa opened the public shade tree hearing for 100 Main St. Present was Project Manager David Brodski.

Mr. Brodski stated that they would like to remove three declining trees and replace with three new trees. There are two trees on Main St. and one on Pent Lane. The three replacements would be on the Main St. side. There will be no room on the Pent Lane side.

Mr. Fuller stated that these trees are all in a severe state of decline and this would be an opportunity to enhance the trees on Main St.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the removal and replacement with three new trees with species and location agreed upon between the homeowner and Mr. Fuller planted by May 31, 2016. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

At 4:18 pm Ms. Serpa reopened the continued public shade tree hearing for the MV Savings Bank at 78 Main Street. Present was Owen White of Beetlebung Tree Care.

Ms. Serpa stated that the trees certainly seemed to be in decline.

Mr. Fuller stated that he supports removal and replacement of both trees.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve removal and replacement with two new trees with species and location agreed upon between the bank and Mr. Fuller by April 30, 2016. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

At 4:20 pm Ms. Serpa reopened the public shade tree hearing for 10 Pease Point Way North. Present was Mr. Redican from Tabor Tree.

Mr. Fuller stated that they had met on site. He suggested removing the part of the Cedar cluster closest to the house and leaving the other two trees in the cluster. The replacement for the linden tree will be an Oliver Red Maple and they've agreed on placement.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the pruning and replacement by May 31, 2016. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then addressed an application from Fenner Construction to excavate and install sewer to 9 Cummings Way. Keith Fenner was present.

Mr. Fuller stated he had discussed the project with Mr. Fenner and had no issue with the project.

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

Ms. Serpa then recognized Mr. Paul Pimentel from the Energy Committee for the next item.

Mr. Pimentel stated that the Cape and Vineyard Electric Co-operative (CVEC) was putting out an RFI for a round of solar projects. He wanted to know if the Board was interested in putting canopy solar over the Park and Ride Lot. He handed out a plan.

Ms. Serpa was concerned about the big buses that park in there and the trucks.

Mr. Pimentel stated that they have canopies that are high enough for the buses and trucks to clear.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that he saw two good things. First that it was alternative energy. Second it was good for Edgartown.

The Board decided to see if CVEC could get any interest and then see what proposals were made.

The Board then approved the following items:

The minutes of December 14, 2015.

Travel Vouchers for the Fire Department and Harbormaster.

Common Victualler Licenses for Rosewater and Edgartown Diner.

For Lucky Hanks to close from January 18th to February 16th for annual cleaning and maintenance.

At 4:38 pm Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Approved:

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant