Selectmen's Meeting
April 4, 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: Michael Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret E. Serpa and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Town Administrator Pamela Dolby.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was the Martha's Vineyard Wine Festival. Present was John Clift, organizer.

Mr. Clift stated that this year the festival would be in the same location as the previous year in the parking lot behind the Kelley House in a tent. He was asking to add the use of the Council on Aging parking area attached this year. He had spoken with them and they had approved. He was requesting 2 one day liquor licenses for May 14th. In addition to the parking lot there would be an event at the MV Museum. He also requested a banner to hang on Main St. from May 9th to 16th.

The Board wished Mr. Clift good luck and good weather. Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the event and the banner. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Dolby then gave an update on the Post Office problems at the triangle. She had spoken to Building Inspector Lenny Jason and Health Inspector Matt Poole. They had stated that the bank and the post office would be total gut jobs. The insulation, drywall and electrical would have to be replaced. The Vineyard Haven Post Office solution was not working and was causing traffic and long lines. She had found instances when they had used trailers in an emergency, the post office had said no, but she was working on it. There had to be a better option. It was up to the Board and herself to fight for the citizens to get the mail back to Edgartown.

Town Accountant Kim Kane asked if all of the town's municipal mail could be sent to PO Box 5158 which is the Selectmen's box at the Church St. post office.

Ms. Dolby replied that she had discussed that with the post mistress.

Ms. Aushra Galley, concerned citizen, stated that the business owners were thankful that Ms. Dolby was advocating for the citizens.

Ms. Lorna Andrade, concerned citizen, asked about medications.

Ms. Dolby replied that she knew of one person who had received their medication. She suggested that if she did not receive hers to give her office a call and they would try to assist.

It was asked if the builder had up to date licenses.

Mr. Jason replied that he did when the building permit was issued.

Mr. Donaroma then gave Mr. Paul Falvey of MV Savings bank an opportunity to give an update.

Mr. Falvey stated that there was a lot of work to do. They would take this problem as an opportunity to make some improvements to the location. They are trying to reduce the inconvenience to customers and have increased the hours to the location on Main St. downtown.

Ms. Serpa thanked Ms. Dolby for all her hard work and the bank and post office employees.

Ms. Dolby stated that she hoped to help find an Edgartown solution as soon as possible and that the public should keep an eye out for information on the town website and they would also send out text notifications.

The Board then cancelled the meetings of April 19th and April 25th due to lack of quorum and scheduled a special meeting for April 27th.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Travel Voucher for the Fire Department.

A Yard Sale for Rush & Fisher for Susan Andersen at the American Legion Hall on April 9th and 10th.

To hire Brian Foster as a Paramedic on the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

The Car-B-Q parade and banner on Father's Day weekend per request of the Harborview Hotel.

A Change of Manager for Wharf Wine and Spirits to Pat Coogan.

A Change of Manager for the Chappaquiddick Beach Club to Sydney Mullen.

The Board set a liquor hearing for Behind the Bookstore for a change of premises on May 2, 2016 at 4:00 pm.

At 4:32 pm Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Approved: Respectfully submitted,

                                                             Kristy Rose
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Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

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Margaret E. Serpa

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Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen