

Present: Riggs Parker, Frank Fenner, Warren Doty, Tim Carroll, Jonathan Revere, Mark Lovewell, Dennis Jason, Susan Vaughn.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Parker at 7:30 PM with a request for a moment of silence on this national day of mourning for the death of President Gerald Ford.

#### Minutes

December 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> approved. December 19<sup>th</sup> postponed.

#### Harbor

Mr. Doty moved and Mr. Fenner seconded a motion to authorize the posting of the vacancy for the position of Administrative Assistant in the Harbor Department. SO VOTED: Three Ayes.

#### UIRSD

The board discussed the two possible formulas that the UIRSDC has proposed for amending the regional agreement on capital cost sharing. The board said that the 80 - 10 - 10 fixed percentages was the simplest, but that they would like to hear what the other two towns want. Mr. Parker will contact the MVSSU to get a work up of the costs over a few years for the next meeting.

#### Personnel Board

The board reviewed Mr. Lewenberg's request to join the Personnel Board. It was agreed to have him come meet the Selectmen at a future meeting. Mr. Carroll encouraged Mr. Lewenberg to attend the next Personnel Board meeting.

#### Middle Line Road

Mr. Doty said that he was not ready to discuss a special projects manager scope of work and costs. He reported that Vineyard Land Surveying is drawing up the survey and that lines may move due to perc tests and other factors. He said that the process is moving along. He said a public hearing that was scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup> has been postponed 2-4 weeks for a new septic plan. The MV Commission would like to see the referral come from the Planning Board instead of the Selectmen, via a Form C sub-division.

The Housing Committee is scheduled to hold a hearing on the Implementation guidelines on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Budget

The board discussed the Shellfish Restoration Committee's recommendations. Mr. Carroll said he could draft it in three articles is desired. Mr. Doty said the town should try and obtain a grant to fund two young people/apprentices to work with the Propagation Officer during the 8 - 10 week program.

Mr. Doty said his committee was not ready to define any new Middle Line Road costs for site development or road improvements. Mr. Parker suggested Mr. Doty work out a warrant article with Mr. Carroll for a stipend for a special project manager for the Middle Line Road Implementation Committee.

### Fire Chief

A letter from Chief Norton requested that he be allowed to receive health insurance from the town. Mr. Parker referred this to the Personnel Board for a recommendation. Mr. Carroll said that it was clear in the state law that only employees that work 20 hours or more in week year round or elected officials that receive a salary can receive health insurance from the town. Mr. Parker said that the Personnel Board should also review the position description for the Fire Chief.

### Fire Department

Chief Norton informed the Selectmen that the Town of Tisbury was retiring an E-1 Pumper from service and that it had been offered to Chilmark. It is a 26 year old class A pumper (1,000 gpm) with a 1,000 gallon tank. Chief Norton proposed accepting the pumper from Tisbury and using it as a Rescue Pumper. This would allow rescue equipment from two vehicles to be put on this one engine, which would respond to car accidents and other rescues. It was expected to be serviceable for this use for five years. It would be housed in the middle bay of the Cross Road Fire Station and the 4x4 Bronco would be parked outside. There was discussion.

Mr. Doty moved and Mr. Fenner seconded a motion to authorize the Fire Chief to use his discretion to accept ownership of the fire engine from the town of Tisbury. SO VOTED: Three Ayes.

### Fire Station

Mr. Fenner asked about the dedication of the North Road Fire Station. Chief Norton said that it had been scheduled for mid-October and a number of things had been accomplished towards that goal, however not everything necessary was completed.

Mr. Parker asked about enrollment on the volunteer service. Chief Norton said that it was down. He told the Selectmen that the department would lose three or four people each year to housing and job considerations, and only gain one or two new volunteers to replace them. Chief Norton reported on the three new volunteers that started the Fire Fighter 1 training last year and how only two are still living in town now.

### Harbor

De-authorization of Federal project was discussed. The board agreed on a line that would be presented to the US Army Corps of Engineers and Congress.

### Executive Session

Mr. Parker moved that the board move into executive session to discuss land acquisition and to not return to regular session. Doty - Aye Fenner - Aye Parker - Aye

Executive Session ended at 9:30 PM  
Meeting Adjourned.

APPROVED: January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2007