

Selectmen's Minutes

April 1, 2008

Present: Chairman Mark W. Lynch, Selectman Jeffrey D. Jones, Selectman A. Raymond Randall, Jr., Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki, Town Counsel Gregg Corbo, and Selectmen's Assistant Pamela J. Witham

Chairman Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. and announced that the Board would hear Public Comment. There was no one present from the public to offer any comment.

In other business, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously Voted to approve and sign the weekly warrant in the amount of \$193,653.01. Selectman Randall abstained from voting.

The Selectmen considered a request from a Conomo Point tenant for a payment plan for her rent and back taxes. After some discussion, it was agreed that they did not want to set a precedent and that it is important to treat everyone in the same manner. The Selectmen's Assistant agreed to inform the tenant of the Selectmen's decision.

The Selectmen were told of the Superintendent's suggestion to ask the Jr. Hornets to be responsible for field repair when the season is over. Chairman Lynch suggested that the Jr. Hornets be asked to be responsible for returning the field to the state in which they found it at the beginning of the season.

The Chairman signed a letter to the Director of the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries informing him of the revisions to the Essex Clamming Rules and Regulations which will go into effect on April 15.

The Selectmen reviewed a letter from Britta Karlberg concerning the unfinished painting of the exterior of the old Legion Hall on Main Street. It was agreed that Mr. Zubricki would ask the President of the Essex Historical Society and Shipbuilding Museum about their intentions for completion of the project.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously Voted to approve the request from the Conomo Point Association for an annual license to attach Ramps and Floats to the stone pier and the Farnsworth pier pending receipt of their insurance certificate. The Selectmen signed the new license for 2008.

The Board was reminded of the following scheduled events:

- The Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce Evening Business Exchange will meet on Thursday, April 10th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Ryan & Wood Inc. Distilleries at 15 Great Republic Drive, Unit 2, in Gloucester.
- The Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club will meet on Friday, April 18th at 7:30 a.m. at the Gloucester House Restaurant. Chairman Lynch, Selectman Randall, and Town Administrator Zubricki will attend.
- There will be a ceremonial signing of an MOU for the Essex TRIAD Group at the Senior Center on Monday, May 12th, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.

Citing the need to discuss certain ongoing litigation, the Chairman entertained a motion to move to Executive Session. He said that the Board would not be returning to Open Session and invited Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki and Town Counsel Gregg Corbo to attend. The motion was made, seconded, and per a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the Board moved to Executive Session at 7:37 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:43 a.m.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously Voted to adjourn the meeting.

Prepared by: _____
Pamela J. Witham

Attested to: _____
A. Raymond Randall, Jr.