

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING – MAY 19, 2008

Mr. Silvia, Dr. Bowcock and Mr. Murphy were present.

Also in attendance was Jeffrey Osuch.

Mr. Silvia called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of April 28, 2008. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of April 28, 2008 executive session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of May 5, 2008. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of May 5, 2008 executive session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

### EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Osuch presented the Board with the bid results for repairs to Union Wharf, MacLean's Seafood building. He explained that after consulting with Dwyer Brown it would be in the Town's best interest to scale back on some of the items that need repair for another time and proceed to sign a contract with Contractors Network in the amount of \$159,000. After discussion, Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the contract pending receiving insurance bonds. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Letter from Town Accountant requesting the appointment of Joyce Shepard to replace present part time clerk, Mary Sturgeon who will be replacing Claudette Souza as Retirement Board Administrator upon Ms. Souza's retirement June 30, 2008.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the appointment of Joyce Shepard. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Letter from NSTAR for the Town to enter into an agreement to purchase street lights as voted at Town Meeting, May 3, 2008. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the document. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Hurricane Plan update from departments are due May 30, 2008 and will be discussed with Dept. Heads at June 16, 2008 Selectmen's meeting.

Submitted for signing, release agreement for Fernandes Masonry and SB General Contractors, as voted at Town Meeting, May 3, 2008. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the agreement. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Letter from William Roth, requesting appointment of Marie Ripley to full time and that the full time portion of salary to be paid from grant money. Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Ms. Ripley. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Finalized ten year Comcast contract submitted for signing; one of the components of the contract is that the station building on Route 6 will be closing, discussion ensued. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the contract. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. The Board commended the Cable Advisory Committee on their hard work to negotiate a contract and bring closure to this matter.

Mr. Osuch advised the Board that the final draft of the Dispatchers contract was sent to the Union for review.

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#### Meeting Schedule:

5/21/08 @ 9:00 a.m. Job meeting, Water plant, Mattapoissett.

5/22/08 @ 9:15 a.m. Mock Disaster meeting, New Bedford.

5/23/08 @ 2:30 p.m. Pre dedication meeting for Water Plant.

5/28/08 @ 4:45 p.m. Personnel Board meeting.

5/29/08 @ 2-4 p.m. Public Records Retention meeting, Town Hall.

@ 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Public Records Law, Retention, Open Meeting Law

@ Town Hall.

5/30/08 @ 10:00 a.m. Water Plant Dedication.

@ 1:00 p.m. Clerical negotiations, Town Hall.

### PUBLIC HEARING

#### Permit for Third Party Use of Licensed Premises

Mr. Silvia called the hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. reading the notice into the record. Discussion ensued and with no one speaking against; Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve amending the Board's 1995 Alcoholic Regulation Section 204-9 with "Permit for Third Party Use of Licensed Premises". Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. See attached.

Mr. Silvia stated that a formal hearing will take place on June 6, 2008 regarding the VFW.

#### APPOINTMENTS

##### Liquor License Hearing – Dorothy Cox's Candy

Representing Dorothy Cox's Candy was Attorney J. Peterson, also present was Ms. Cox. Attorney Peterson stated the reasoning for the request of a Package Store/Beer & Wine License, citing request from clientele for inclusion of wine or malts with gourmet gift baskets. Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the request for a Package Store/Beer & Wine License to Dorothy Cox's Candy, 115 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven, MA. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

## URBAN Fusion

Brian Martins was present to discuss a request by URBAN Fusion to host a monthly Crafts Fair/Flea Market/Farmer's Market at Livesey Memorial Field for the purpose of acquiring funds to purchase musical instruments for public school children to participate first hand on actual equipment. Mr. Martins also outlined URBAN Fusion's goals and the groups' presence in the community. While the Board was receptive, it also voiced concerns that there may be a potential timing conflict whereas the Sustainability Committee has also requested permission to organize a Farmer's Market. The Board's decision was to table the discussion until the 6/2/2008 meeting and Mr. Osuch will contact the BPW and the BOH.

## Finance Director

Mr. Nunes presented the Board with a close out audit for the East Fairhaven School Project for signatures to forward to the State for reimbursement. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the document. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Nunes stated that there were 21 applicants and were narrowed down to 7 that were interviewed. He submitted Suzanne Blais be appointed as Payroll Clerk, explaining that he feels she is the most qualified and has prior experience with municipal payrolls.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Ms. Blais as Payroll Clerk pending CORI review. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

James Sweeney and Gordan Dean requested to be heard in executive session.

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

A letter of support for a plan to develop housing for low income elderly in Fairhaven is requested by the Housing Authority from the Board of Selectmen.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the letter of support. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

A letter from Timothy Rock, Intermittent Officer, requests a military leave of absence from 6/01/08-6/01/09 with consideration of reappointment when he returns. Dr. Bowcock motioned to grant the request. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. The Board wished Off. Rock a safe deployment and thanked him for his service to our country.

The Board accepted the letter of resignation from part-time dispatcher, Robin Shufelt.

## NSTAR

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve gas line maintenance at the intersection of Quincy and Alden Rd. and easterly on Quincy St. for 25'. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve gas line maintenance at the intersection of Willow St. and Adams St. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve gas line maintenance at the intersection of Hickory St. and Adams St. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve relocation of poles on Cottonwood St. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

All of the above were previously approved by the BPW.

## BOAT RAMPS & WATERFRONT RECREATIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Board accepted the letter of resignation from David Gonsalves with appreciation for his service.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Ronald Manzone to the Boat Ramps & Waterfront Recreational Committee. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

## EAST FAIRHAVEN IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Mr. Silvia read the invitation to attend the installation of officers and pot luck supper on 5/20/2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Community House at Green Meadows Housing. Mr. Silvia stated he will be attending.

## MEMORIAL DAY

Mr. Silvia read the invitation to participate in the Memorial Day Parade and Ceremonies on Monday, May 26, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Board stated they will be attending. See attached.

## PUBLIC RECORDS LAW, RECORD RETENTION, OPEN MEETING LAW

Seminars will be held on Thursday, May 29, 2008 at Town Hall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 p.m., Dr. Bowcock motioned to proceed to executive session to discuss Clerical Union negotiations and MA Technology Collaborative requirements; not to reconvene in open session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.

Submitted by,

*Bernice A. Alves*

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Principal Clerk

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