

ORLEANS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES

February 25, 2009

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A meeting of the Orleans Board of Selectmen was held on Wednesday, February 25, 2009 in the Nauset Room of the Town Hall. Present were Chairman David M. Dunford, Vice-Chairman Mark E. Carron, Clerk Jon R. Fuller, Selectwoman Margie Fulcher, Town Administrator John Kelly and Recording Secretary Kristen Holbrook. Also present for the meeting were the nine members of the Orleans Finance Committee; Finance Committee Chairman Walter Bennet, Vice-Chairman Peter Monger, and Finance Committee members Mark Fiegel, Cynthia Suonpera, Paul Rooker, Dale Fuller, Rick Sigel, John Hodgson and Laurence Hayward

Call to Order: (00:00:10)

Chairman Dunford called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Public Comment: (00:00:45)

Steve Ellis, a Charter Boat Captain, spoke against the Boards decision to remove the dumpsters and portable toilets at the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Merri Hartford, a member of the Cultural Council, spoke to the Board regarding the Walker Hanging Program and extending the program throughout the entrance of the Town Hall.

Hap-Farrell, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Beverly Fuller, a resident of East Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Mary Corr, from the Orleans Chamber of Commerce, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Andy Napolitano, a Charter Boat Captain spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Marcia Duggan, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Cheryl Codair, spoke to the Board regarding the need for a Coast-to-Coast sidewalk for the Town of Orleans.

Cynthia Suonpera, spoke to the Board regarding the need for the Board to take the tourism into consideration.

Andy Napolitano, spoke to the Board, regarding the increased charges that the Charter Boats are paying.

Steve Ellis spoke to the Board regarding the cost cutting needs for the Town.

Ruth Crawl, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board to ask the Board to consider an override for the School Budget.

Shawn DeLude, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Ed Maas, a resident of East Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the upcoming candidate night hosted by the Orleans Citizens Forum.

Bill Seacore, a resident of East Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Beach Grass planting at the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Bob Wilkinson, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Jason Weaver, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Roxanne Hayes, a resident of Eastham, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Adopt Meeting Minutes: (00:32:48)

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mr. Carron, the Board voted to adopt the minutes of the February 4, 2009 meeting as amended. The vote was 4-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mr. Carron, the Board voted to adopt the minutes of the January 29, 2009 meeting as amended. The vote was 4-0-0.

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mrs. Fulcher, the Board voted to adopt the minutes of the April 9, 2008 Executive Session as written. The vote was 4-0-0.

Meet With Parks Superintendent: (00:34:45)

The Board met with Parks Superintendent Paul Fulcher to discuss several items. Mr. Fulcher reviewed the proposed operating budgets for the Parks and Beaches Department.

Mr. Fulcher presented the Board with his recommendations for closing the American Legion Hall Building and the possible alternative uses for the building.

Mr. Fulcher spoke to the Board about the possibility of increasing the Resident Off Road Vehicle permit price to \$60.00. The increase of \$20.00 has been previously authorized by a vote of Town Meeting. He asked that the Board render their decision by March 11, 2009.

Mr. Fulcher spoke to the Board to inform them of the possibility of holding a future meeting with the Chatham Select Board and State Representatives regarding the restrictions on the Nauset South Beach area. The Board hopes to tentatively schedule this meeting for August of 2009.

Mr. Fuller informed the Board of flooding issues occurring in the area south of the Pochet washover and the difficulties that the new break is creating.

Mr. Fulcher informed the Board that he has filed an administrative review with the Conservation Commission and has been granted permission to fill in some of the deeper holes.

Meet With Orleans Elementary School and Nauset Regional School Committee:
(01:12:06)

The Board met with Ms. Diane Carriero, Principal of the Orleans Elementary School, to discuss the Orleans Elementary School fiscal year 2010 operating budget.

Nauset Regional School District Superintendent Michael Gradone met with the Board to discuss the Nauset Regional School Operating Budget for fiscal year 2010. Mr. Gradone also provided the Board with some information on the economic stimulus package and the impact it may have on the Nauset Regional School District Budget.

Joint Public Hearing with Finance Committee: (02:17:50)

Chairman Dunford read the legal notice for the Joint Public Hearing with the Finance Committee as published in the Cape Codder and called the Hearing to order.

Town Administrator John Kelly gave a power point presentation on the five-year Capital Improvement Plan for the Town of Orleans.

Chairman Dunford called for Public Comment in response to the Capital Improvement Plan.

John Fallendar, a member of the Planning Board, spoke to the Board regarding the Planning Board's recommendations for the Main Street and Downtown Area.

He asked the Board to reconsider the funding for the economic study of the downtown area.

Bill Weil, Chairman of the Police Station Feasibility Committee, spoke to the Board regarding the estimated finances for the Police Station renovations on the Capital Improvement Plan. Mr. Weil suggested the numbers be looked at again.

Pat Fallendar, a member of the Orleans Improvement Association, spoke to the Board regarding the Orleans Improvement Association's support of the streetscape master plan for the Main Street and downtown village center area.

Bob Wilkinson, a resident of Orleans, addressed the Board with his concerns and suggestions for the Capital Improvement Plan and the needs for the Town of Orleans.

Rick Sigel, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board to suggest the addition of the Coast-to-Coast sidewalk to the Capital Improvement Plan.

Bill Seacore, a resident of East Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing.

Jim Trainor, a resident of East Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding the Rock Harbor Town Landing and stated his support for the Planning Board's recommendations for the downtown Orleans area.

John Hodgson, a member of the Finance Committee, spoke to the Boards to encourage a vision or mission statement regarding the future of Orleans and what vision the Town might have.

Alan McClennan, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Boards about the Orleans Master Plan, and asked that the Board reconsider the decision not to fund the economic study of the downtown area.

Rick Sigel, finance committee member, spoke to the Board about the pressure for the Town to spend wisely.

The Boards discussed the Capital Improvement Plan and the issues regarding funding and priorities.

Jim Trainor, a resident of Orleans, spoke to the Board about the importance of the economic study for the Village Center.

On a motion by Mr. Carron and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to close the Public Hearing. The vote was 4-0-0.

Town Administrator's Report: (03:35:25)

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with an informational memo regarding the implementation of regulations involving issuing trench and excavation permits.

On a motion by Mr. Carron, and seconded by Mr. Fuller, the Board voted to designate the Highway Department to administer trench permits for projects within the roadways and the Water Department to administer trench permits for projects outside of the roadways on either public or private properties. The vote was 4-0-0.

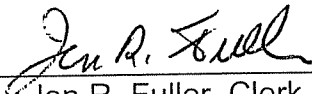
Mr. Kelly also provided the Board with his recommendations for the organizational study.

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mr. Carron, the Board voted to approve the Town Administrator recommendations for the Organizational Study, and to engage Don Jacobs Consulting to incorporate the changes into the Classification and Compensation Study. The vote was 3-0-1. Mrs. Fulcher abstained from the vote.

Adjourn: (03:53:49)

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, and seconded by Mrs. Fulcher, the Board voted to adjourn. The vote was 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen Holbrook



Jon R. Fuller, Clerk

