

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2010

Approved on January 20, 2010

A meeting of the Orleans Board of Selectmen was held on January 13, 2009 in the Nauset Room of the Town Hall. Present were Chairman Jon R. Fuller, Vice-Chairwoman Margie Fulcher, Clerk Sims McGrath Jr., Selectman David M. Dunford, Town Administrator John Kelly and Recording Secretary Kristen Holbrook.

Chairman Fuller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Public Comment: (00:00:31)

*Gary Clinton*, a representative of the citizen committee for decentralized wastewater options in Orleans, spoke to the Board regarding a recent editorial published in the Cape Cod Times.

Meet with the Agricultural Task Force: (00:06:10)

The Board met with the Agricultural Task Force.

Alan Chace, Chairman of the Agricultural Task Force spoke to the Board, and presented the final report for the Task Force. Mr. Chace thanked the Board for their assistance and the opportunity to investigate the agricultural needs in the Town of Orleans.

Mr. Chace reported on the issues included in the Task Force committee charge. The Task Force recommends that an agricultural commission be established to represent the agricultural and aqua cultural interests in the town. Mr. Chace outlined the difference between the establishment of a commission rather than a committee. The Task Force believes that the formation of a commission would allow for a more permanent establishment of an agricultural resource for the Town of Orleans, as the establishment of a commission requires a vote of town meeting.

**On a motion by Mr. McGrath, and seconded by Mrs. Fulcher, the Board voted to accept the report of the Agricultural Task Force with gratitude, and take their recommendation under advisement for a future agenda discussion item. The vote was 4-0-0.**

Meet with the Fourth of July Committee: (00:25:39)

The Board met with the Fourth of July Committee for an update on the event planning. Bonnie Roy, Peter Howerton, and Ingrid Moyer members of the Fourth of July Committee asked the Board for clarification on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant Article for funding and asked what the standing was for the budget. Ms. Roy thanked the Friends of the Fourth for their help with the Fireworks financing.

Mr. Kelly explained the financing and funding for the fireworks and public safety aspects.

Ms. Roy explained that the request for the warrant article was to cover the cost of the public safety overtime costs.

Mr. Kelly explained that whether the article is there the Town does not have the money. The overtime budget is in place, and has not been reduced from prior years.

Mr. Kelly stated that if the Board is going to support funds for overtime, the overtime should be in the operating budget, and the warrant articles should remain at the level they have been historically.

Mr. Dunford stated that the July 2010 parade would be fully funded. The parade for July 2011 will be in the budget for next year.

Ms. Roy presented the Board with fundraising information that the committee has come up with for defraying the cost of the events.

**On a motion by Mrs. Fulcher, and seconded by Mr. McGrath, the Board voted to endorse placement of a website link on the Town of Orleans website for donations for fundraising for the Fourth of July events, and such other reasonable measures as the Town Administrator sees fit. The vote was 4-0-0.**

Meet with the Town Maintenance Facility Committee: (01:00:22)

The Board met with the Town Maintenance Facility Committee for an update on the committee's progress on their charged tasks.

Peter Coneen, Chairman of the Town Maintenance Facility Committee presented the Board with the interim report from the committee, and updated the Board on the committee's progress since June 2009.

**On a motion by Mrs. Fulcher, and seconded by Mr. McGrath, the Board voted to accept the interim report from the Town Maintenance Facility Committee with gratitude and ask the Town Administrator to come forward during the budget process with recommendations for the Board. The vote was 4-0-0.**

Highway Department and Transfer Station Manager Mark Budnick thanked the committee for their time and effort and thanked the Board for charging the committee with the improvement of the Town's infrastructure.

Temporary Closing: (01:31:12)

**On a motion by Mrs. Fulcher, and seconded by Mr. McGrath, the Board voted to approve the request of Edward J. Mahoney, owner/manager of the Mahoney's Atlantic Bar and Grill to temporarily close his business for the period of January**

**31, 2010 through February 4, 2010 for maintenance purposes and in accordance with the Rules and Regulation of the Local Licensing Authority. The vote was 4-0-0.**

Wastewater Planning Issues and Updates: (01:32:10)

Town Administrator's Report: (01:32:19)

Mr. Kelly asked the Board to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town and the Clerical Union.

**On a motion by Mrs. Fulcher, and seconded by Mr. Dunford, the Board voted to accept and sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Orleans and the Clerical Union for a two year extension, with a wage freeze and with no language changes. The vote was 4-0-0.**

**On a motion by Mr. Dunford, and seconded by Mrs. Fulcher, the Board voted to send a letter of thanks to the clerical union for their cooperation. The vote was 4-0-0.**

Mr. Kelly also informed the Board that the Town of Orleans has depleted the Snow Removal Budget for FY2010.

Town Administrator John Kelly presented the Board with an update on the budget process.

Liaison Reports: (01:46:40)

Mrs. Fulcher updated the Board on a Nauset Regional School Committee meeting.

Mr. Fuller updated the Board on recent meetings of the Community Preservation Committee, and a meeting of the Planning Board.

Mr. Dunford updated the Board on a Cape Cod Selectmen and Councilor's Association meeting.

Mr. McGrath presented the Board with information on the Barnstable County Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting. Mr. McGrath stated that the advisor had recommended that the 15 cape towns for a district for solid waste.

Any Other Business: (01:57:12)

Mr. McGrath suggests that the Board schedule a discussion of the final report, to decide on the decision to become part of a solid waste district. The Barnstable County Solid Waste Advisory Committee will be looking for an answer soon.

Adjourn: (01:59:18)

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristen Holbrook

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Sims McGrath Jr., Clerk