PLYMOUTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010

TOWN HALL MAYFLOWER ROOM

The Selectmen held a meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall in the Mayflower Room.

Present: William P. Hallisey, Jr., Chairman

John T. Mahoney, Jr., Vice Chairman

Richard J. Quintal, Jr. Sergio O. Harnais Mathew J. Muratore

Melissa Arrighi, Assistant Town Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hallisey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then noted that the presentation on the proposed wind turbine project for South Plymouth had been canceled from the evening's agenda.

LICENSES

On a motion by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Muratore, the Board voted to approve the following One Day Wine & Malt and One Day All Alcohol licenses, as outlined. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

ONE DAY WINE AND MALT LICENSE

- ❖ Our House Services (Linda Ducrot, 40 Russell Street) requested four (4) One Day Wine & Malt licenses for wine dinners to be held from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on the following dates: June 11, 12, 18, and 19, 2010. Liquor liability Insurance is in place and trained staff will serve the alcohol.
- ❖ Plymouth Public Library Corp. (Julie Vaitkus, 132 South Street) requested a One Day Wine & Malt License for June 12, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a staff recognition awards ceremony to be held in the Otto Fehlow Room at the Library. Liquor liability Insurance is in place and trained staff will serve the alcohol.
- ❖ St. Bonaventure K of C Council 10049 (James Conaway, White Horse Beach Road) requested a One Day Wine & Malt License for June 26, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a parish barbeque to be held at the parish center. Liquor liability is in place.

ONE DAY ALL ALCOHOL LIQUOR LICENSE

- ❖ Plymouth Center for the Arts (Andrew Kusmin, 11 North Street) requested a One Day All Alcohol License for June 13th, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for a music concert/fundraiser. Liquor liability Insurance is in place and trained staff will serve the alcohol. Plymouth Center for the Arts is a non-profit organization.
- ❖ Pilgrim Hall Museum (Robin Butler, 75 Court Street) requested a One Day All Alcohol License for June 13th, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a clambake / fundraiser to be held in the backyard of Ben Brewster's home, 88 Warren Avenue. Liquor liability Insurance is in place and trained staff will serve the alcohol. Pilgrim Hall Museum is a non-profit organization.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Harnais, the Board voted to approve the following Vehicle for Hire related licenses, as outlined. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

VEHICLE FOR HIRE (NEW)

♦ Habilitation Assistance Corp. (434 Court Street) applied for four new vehicle permits – Livery. This brings their total to 43 vehicles – 40 Livery, 3 Taxi

2010 Pontiac G6- LV55714 2010 Dodge Caravan-LV55701 2009 Chevy Impala-LV55713 2010 Cadillac DTS-LV55723

VEHICLE FOR HIRE OPERATOR (NEW)

- **❖ For Patriot Taxi** (227 Standish Avenue)
 - Jeffrey Furtado 123 Liberty Street, Hanson
 Issuance of the above license is subject to a CORI background check and driving record review
- **For Mayflower Taxi** (P.O. Box 931)
 - Ralph Patterson, Jr. 13A Shea Street, Salisbury

Issuance of the above license is subject to a CORI background check and driving record review

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

Meeting Minutes – On a motion by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Quintal, the Board approved the minutes of the May 4, 2010 Selectmen's meeting. Voted 3-0-2, approved, with abstentions from Selectmen Harnais and Muratore, who were not members of the Board at the time of the May 4, 2010 meeting.

Liaison to the Nuclear Matters Committee – On a nomination by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Harnais, the Board chose Selectman Muratore as its liaison to the Nuclear Matters Committee. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

Industrial/Commercial Office Land Study Committee – On a nomination by Selectman Harnais, seconded by Selectman Muratore, the Board chose Chairman Hallisey and Vice Chairman Mahoney as its two designees on the Industrial/Commercial Office Land Study Committee. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

Mandatory Outdoor Watering Restriction – The Board authorized an immediate Mandatory Outdoor Watering Restriction that will allow outdoor watering for a total of 90 minutes per day from June 1, 2010 through September 6, 2010, as recommended by the Department of Public Works.

Request for Act of Legislature – The Board authorized the issuance of a formal request for an act of the State Legislature to convey by sale two properties located at 201 and 203 Bartlett Road, listed as Lot 33-16 and Lot 33-17A on Assessors Map 74, currently designated as "park land," as authorized at the 1984 Spring Annual Town Meeting.

Acceptance of Deed – The Board approved and executed an *Acceptance of Deed* for a 36.294-acre parcel of land located at the convergence of Old Long Pond Road and Boot Pond Road (otherwise known as the Herries property) listed as Lot 26H on Assessors Map 88, as authorized by Article 7 of the 2010 Special Town Meeting.

Committee Appointments for Uncontested Seats – On a motion by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Harnais, the Board appointed the following list of citizens to Town committees, boards, and commissions, as outlined below. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST: 1 SEAT AVAILABLE AND 1 NOMINEE

Patricia Heylin new designee one year term, exp. 6/30/11

Redevelopment Authority

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE: 2 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

Barbara Anglin incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Citizen-at-large seat

Darryl Richters incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Citizen-at-large seat

AIRPORT COMMISSION: 2 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

Anthony Caruso incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13 Paul G. Worcester incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION: 1 SEAT AVAILABLE AND 1 APPLICANT

Margaret "Peggy" Briggs incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: 2 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

John Scagliarini incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13 Evelyn Strawn incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

COUNCIL ON AGING: 4 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 1 APPLICANT

Richard Caproni new applicant three year term, exp. 6/30/13

DESIGNER SELECTION: 2 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

Dennis Lassige new applicant three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Citizen-at-large seat

Robert H. Thomas new applicant three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Engineer seat

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: 3 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 1 APPLICANT

Susan Owens incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Realtor seat

RECYCLING COMMITTEE: 4 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

Jennifer Beane new applicant two year term, exp. 6/30/12 Kevin Farrell new applicant two year term, exp. 6/30/12

ROADS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: 2 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 1 APPLICANT

Stephen Dyer new applicant one year term, exp. 6/30/11

TIDAL BEACHES ADVISORY: 4 SEATS AVAILABLE AND 1 APPLICANT

Margaret Martin new applicant three year term, exp. 6/30/13

VISITOR SERVICES BOARD: 3 SEATS AVILABLE AND 2 APPLICANTS

Genevieve Jaeger incumbent for re-appointment three year term, exp. 6/30/13

Barrie Young new designee three year term, exp. 6/30/13

PCDC seat

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dale Webber addressed the Board regarding Selectman Muratore's recommendation that the Board establish a Consolidation Committee. Mr. Webber explained that he served on a previous Consolidation Task Force in 1997 that was established by Town Meeting. The 1997 task force, he said, issued a final report to Town Meeting, and then, in 2001, the Board of Selectmen formed yet another committee to investigate the consolidation of services between the Town and Schools. Mr. Webber cited regulations pertaining to collective

bargaining and jurisdictional lines between the Town and Schools that may render certain consolidation proposals unfeasible. Budgets are already at their absolute minimum, he said, and, with staffing levels lower than what they were several years ago, the Town cannot keep up with all of the services and tasks for which it is responsible. Mr. Webber speculated as to what another Consolidation Committee might be able to accomplish but offered his assistance with any historical knowledge pertaining to the findings of previous consolidation-related committees.

A brief discussion ensued between Selectman Muratore, Selectman Harnais, and Mr. Webber regarding the value of convening another Consolidation Committee. Selectmen Muratore and Harnais both agreed that Town officials must investigate any and all means of reducing expenses during the current economic downturn, including the consolidation of services.

Ric Cone spoke to the Board in an effort to clarify information relative to comments he made during a previous meeting regarding noise and disorderly conduct in the downtown district. Mr. Cone discussed a recent meeting held by the Downtown Neighborhood Watch at which both Selectman Harnais and Selectman Muratore were in attendance, along with the Fire Chief and Police Chief. Comments from the attendees were both positive and negative, he said, but the general sentiment amongst the group reflected support for business in the downtown, so long as businesses are cognizant and respectful of their residential neighbors.

Selectman Muratore asked if the Police and Fire Chiefs could provide citation and complaint reports on a regular basis, so that the Board can proactively address problems with individual business establishments in the downtown.

Ken Tavares of July 4 Plymouth, Inc. provided an update on fundraising activities for the parade and fireworks events on July 4th. Wal-Mart, he noted, has donated \$10,000, but the fundraising committee is still faced with the challenge of raising over \$40,000 in the next few weeks to cover the fireworks portion of the event. Mr. Tavares then noted that July 4th falls on a Sunday this year, and he talked about the difficult decision that the committee made to hold the parade at its usual 10:00 a.m. time, in an effort to retain the major bands that participate each year. He reported that the committee reached out to the churches that fall along the parade route to explain the situation and minimize interference with church services. Mr. Tavares noted his optimism about reaching the fundraising goal for the fireworks but issued a plea for additional donations and more parade volunteers.

Keven Joyce noted that, at a recent meeting of the Planning Board, a suggestion was made that the Town Manager list the openings on Town committees during the Selectmen's meeting each week.

Genevieve Jaeger sought to clarify the process by which applications for the Visitor Services Board ("VSB") would be collected. Ms. Jaeger's question prompted an exchange with Selectman Quintal, who confirmed that he would re-apply for his near-expired term on the VSB by the advertised deadline.

AQUACULTURE LICENSE

Chairman Hallisey opened a public hearing in accordance with Chapter 130 of the Massachusetts General Laws to consider an application for the re-activation of an Aquaculture License once held in the Town of Plymouth by Don Wilkinson, Michael Withington, and Sean Withington.

Harbormaster Chad Hunter provided the Board with an explanation of the application for license re-activation submitted by Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Withington, and Mr. Withington ("the applicants"). Mr. Hunter explained that the applicants were granted an aquaculture lease for an area within Plymouth Harbor in 1982, which they held until 1996 without incident. The leased area was increased to 25 acres in the mid-1980's, he noted, but, following recent surveys by the Division of Marine Fisheries ("DMF"), only 13 of those acres appear to suitable for aquaculture activities. Mr. Hunter recommended that the Board put all other aquaculture license applications on hold—with the exception of the request for re-activation already submitted by Mr.'s Wilkinson, Withington, and Withington—until he has finalized formal aquaculture regulations for the Town of Plymouth.

Mr. Hunter discussed the surveys conducted by DMF to determine the areas suitable for commercial shellfishing, and he fielded questions from the Selectmen with regard to costs per acre and license term lengths. Mr. Hunter explained that, according to state regulations, the Town cannot charge an aquaculture licensee more than \$25 per acre. Plymouth's aquaculture regulations, he said, will be based on that of the Town of Duxbury, through which a successful aquaculture industry is currently thriving.

Michael Withington and Don Wilkinson responded to questions from the Board regarding their proposed operations and the reasons why they allowed their lease to expire in 1996. Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Withington explained that they let their license lapse after 15 years of operation due to economic and environmental/pollution issues at the time. Current conditions, they said, are again suitable for such industry, and, thus, they would like to resume the harvesting of oysters, soft shell clams, and quahogs.

Chairman Hallisey opened the hearing to public comment.

Cheris Carey Lanman addressed the Board to note her interest in applying for an aquaculture license and to inquire about the Town's plans to divide the acreage suitable for harvesting amongst other prospective applicants.

Mr. Hunter explained that, prior to his recommendation to cease taking applications for aquaculture licenses, there were three formal license requests—in addition to that of Mr. Wilkinson and the Withingtons—that the Town must consider before establishing a waiting list by lottery. Assistant Town Manager Melissa Arrighi noted that she would contact Ms. Lanman to respond to her questions, directly, as the inquiries did not fall within the scope of the public hearing.

Seeing no further comment in favor of the license application, Chairman Hallisey opened the meeting to public comment in opposition. No citizens came forth to address the Board, and, thus, Chairman Hallisey closed the hearing to await a motion of the Board.

On a motion by Selectman Muratore, seconded by Vice Chairman Mahoney, the Board voted to approve the re-activation of an aquaculture license for Don Wilkinson, Michael Withington, and Sean Withington, as outlined in the license application and as permitted by the Division of Marine Fisheries. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

PUBLIC HEARING: PUBLIC WORKS GRANT – COMMERCE WAY

Chairman Hallisey opened a public hearing to consider the submittal of an application for a Public Works Economic Development Grant ("PWED") for improvements to Commerce Way. Hector Castro, Director of Public Works, introduced the presentation relative to the grant application that, upon the Board's approval, will be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT).

James Noyes of the consulting firm Greenman Pederson provided an explanation of the PWED grant, a program provided through the Commonwealth Capital Program to assist municipalities with transportation infrastructure projects that stimulate economic development. He reviewed a PowerPoint presentation during which he outlined the Department of Public Works' ("DPW") plans to improve Commerce Way from Route 80 to Route 44. Based on the development that has occurred—and is anticipated to occur—along Commerce Way, Mr. Noyes explained, the DPW has proposed to:

- Widen the roadway with a second travel lane in each direction from Route 80 to Christa McAuliffe Way
- Widen the Commerce Way approach at Route 80 to add a third lane for the future development of the parcel across from Commerce Way
- Widen the Commerce Way approach to the Route 44 eastbound ramps to add a second through lane

Mr. Noyes displayed maps detailing the proposed improvements, all of which, he said, can be undertaken within the Town's right-of-way. He discussed the "demonstration of feasibility" section of the grant application regarding the attainability of funding and permitting for the roadway reconstruction, which is estimated to cost \$1.7 million.

Seeing no questions from the Selectmen, Chairman Hallisey opened the hearing to public comment. No citizens came forth to speak, and, thus, Chairman Hallisey closed the hearing.

On a motion by Selectman Muratore, seconded by Vice Chairman Mahoney, the Board voted to approve the Department of Public Works' submission of a Public Works Economic Development Grant for improvements to Commerce Way. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

CONSOLIDATION COMMITTEE

Selectman Muratore noted that he brought his proposal to form a Consolidation Committee to the members of the School Committee, Advisory & Finance Committee, and Committee of Precinct Chairs. All three groups, he said, appeared to be open to the idea of working collectively to identify—and propose consolidation of—the duplication of services between the Town and the School Department, in the interest of cost savings. The committee's findings can then be incorporated into the budgeting process, Selectman Muratore added.

Ms. Arrighi informed the Board that, as presented in the Board's packets, the Consolidation Committee will require the designation of two selectmen. Selectman Muratore and Selectman Harnais volunteered to serve as the Board's two designees.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Mahoney, seconded by Selectman Muratore, the Board voted to (a) establish a Consolidation Committee, as presented, and (b) choose Selectman Harnais and Selectman Muratore as its two designees on the committee. Voted 4-0-1, approved, with an abstention from Selectman Quintal.

BOARD DESIGNEES / LIAISONS

Insurance Advisory Committee – Selectman Quintal noted that he attended a recent meeting of the Insurance Advisory Committee ("IAC"), a committee comprised of Town employees that reviews and provides recommendations on the Town's health insurance benefits. Also at the meeting, he said, were State Representatives Tom Calter and Vinny deMacedo, as well as a representative from Senate President Therese Murray's office, who spoke to the IAC regarding state initiatives to curb health insurance costs.

Selectman Quintal provided a brief summary of the information presented by Plymouth's legislative delegation to the IAC regarding health insurance and the state's FY2011 budget. The IAC, he noted, also discussed the potential benefits and/or challenges of "coalition bargaining." Selectman Quintal made the suggestion that the Board invite the legislative delegation to speak about the state's financial forecast for the next year, so that the Board can make informed decisions with regards to Plymouth's FY2011 budget.

Oliver Neck Road – Selectman Muratore informed the Board that he and Selectman Harnais attended a meeting with residents from Oliver Neck Road regarding emergency access issues. He invited DPW Director Castro to provide a brief update on the Town's plans to provide better emergency response to this remote area of Plymouth that is currently accessible only through Wareham.

Mr. Castro explained that the residents of Concord Street, a private road, have decided to block public access, which hampers the ability of emergency vehicles to reach Oliver Neck Road in a timely manner. The DPW, he said, is investigating opportunities to either reinstate access through Concord Street or to construct a cut-through from Fairhaven Way. The latter option, Mr. Castro explained, would require permissions and easements from property

owners, but the short length of the cut-through (approximately 100 yards) appears to make the project a feasible one.

Florence Street – Selectman Muratore asked Mr. Castro for an update on the condition of Florence Street. Mr. Castro noted that, after meeting with residents of the unaccepted road, the Highway Division sent an asphalt crew to install some cold patches in the severely deteriorated roadway surface. There is little left of the original pavement to which new patch materials may adhere, Mr. Castro explained, and, thus, the DPW is investigating whether it would be more economical to return the roadway to a more manageable gravel surface.

Plymouth Airport Advisory Group – Chairman Hallisey provided the Board with an update from a recent meeting he attended of the Plymouth Airport Advisory Group ("PAAG"), where discussion focused on runway expansion and the neighboring residents' concerns about safety and noise. The group appears to be reaching the end of its assignment, he said, but the facilitated meeting process has provided participants with a good deal of knowledge about aviation and airport operations. Chairman Hallisey noted that his concerns about safety at the airport will likely be a main factor in his decision on runway expansion.

OLD BUSINESS / LETTERS / NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Repairs at Memorial Hall – Selectman Quintal thanked the DPW employees who secured the ventilation ducts in the ceiling of Memorial Hall after an incident where one fell to the floor on the evening of Friday, June 4th. Without their help, he said, the Town would have been forced to relocate graduation ceremonies due to safety concerns. He asked that the Town recognize the employees with a letter in their personnel file.

DPW Grievances – Selectman Quintal offered his observation that there is a morale issue in the DPW, based on the number of grievances that appear to have been filed recently through the labor union. He reported that he receives anonymous e-mails from employees regarding DPW management and operations, and he questioned whether the issues stem from the extended time period during which the DPW went without a full-time director.

Ms. Arrighi responded that the number of grievances filed this year by the DPW union is consistent with that filed in years past.

Crosswalks – Selectman Quintal pointed out that the crosswalks at Hedge School and in front of St. Peters Church on Court Street are in need of painting.

Graffiti – Selectman Quintal expressed his disappointment that graffiti has appeared on several homes and businesses in North Plymouth. He made note that he assisted the property owners with obtaining graffiti removal assistance through the Office of Community Development.

Notification of Town Issues – Selectman Quintal questioned why the members of the Board were not called about the issue with the ventilation ducts in Memorial Hall and a recent drowning at one of the Town's ponds. Ms. Arrighi explained that the Town Manager's Office will typically contact the chairman of the Board for any issues that appear to necessitate special notification. If each member of the Board wishes to receive more notification of various Town issues, Ms. Arrighi said, staff can fulfill such a request.

Horses on Water Street – Selectman Quintal stated that he observed several Plymouth Police and Sheriff's Department trailers carrying horses down to Water Street. The horses were ridden along the side of the roadway, he said, leaving some debris behind them. He speculated as to whether such activity was safe on such a well-traveled street, and he questioned who would be responsible for cleaning up the mess left by the horses.

American Legion Headquarters / Permitting Fees — Selectman Quintal noted that the American Legion will soon apply for permits to make repairs to its building on Federal Furnace Road that suffered from flooding after the heavy rains in March. He stated that he plans to make a motion to waive all permit fees for the Legion to assist them in their restoration efforts.

Ms. Arrighi pointed out that the Board has an established policy whereby it does not waive permitting fees. She asked the Selectmen to provide staff with advance notice if they plan to change the policy.

1,000 Acres Title Research – Selectman Harnais asked that staff follow up with Plymouth Rock Studios ("PRS") to obtain all title research conducted for the 1,000 Acres site in South Plymouth. There is a provision in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and PRS that compels PRS to turn over its title research on the site to the Town, he said, but such action has not yet taken place.

Request to Sell T-Shirts at Memorial Hall – Selectman Muratore inquired about a request the Board received from organizers of a fundraiser to benefit disabled veterans.

The Selectmen's Assistant, Tiffany Park, explained that ServPro of Wareham/Plymouth (the organizers of the event) sought permission from the Board to sell t-shirts from the grounds of Memorial Hall on specific days and times during the month of June to advertise and raise funds for its charitable motorcycle run. The organizers, she explained, have indicated that proceeds from the t-shirt sales and motorcycle event will be donated to the Plymouth Veterans Services Department. Ms. Park noted that, based on the intent of the organizers to raise funds to assist disabled veterans, Plymouth's Disabled Veterans Council has offered its approval of such activity on the grounds of the Hall, but with specific conditions.

A brief discussion ensued amongst the Board during which citizens Ric Cone and Keven Joyce were allowed to speak in support of the request.

Selectman Muratore made a motion to approve the request issued by ServPro of Wareham/Plymouth to sell t-shirts on the grounds of Memorial Hall for the specific dates and

times outlined in the request, subject to the conditions outlined by Plymouth's Disabled Veterans Council. Vice Chairman Mahoney seconded the motion, and the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor.

Plymouth North High School Groundbreaking Ceremony – Vice Chairman Mahoney reminded the public that the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Plymouth North High School facility will be held at 10:00 a.m. on June 9, 2010.

White Horse Beach – Vice Chairman Mahoney reported that he met with a group of homeowners at White Horse Beach to discuss the request made by resident Kevin Doyle during the May 25th meeting for the placement of trash barrels on the public beach area. During the visit, Vice Chairman Mahoney said, he observed a resident in a four wheel drive vehicle emptying and relining 4-5 trash barrels. He asked if the DPW could place and service the barrels.

Ms. Arrighi explained that, during the budget process, all but two seasonal staff positions were eliminated from the Parks Department's workforce, making it difficult for the Town to keep up with such tasks. She noted that this is another unfortunate example of how residents will see the effect of level-funded and reduced budgets on the delivery of Town services.

The Board discussed the request for DPW-serviced trash barrels at White Horse Beach. Selectmen Harnais and Quintal both noted how current economic challenges may call for more help from residents, as the Town cannot provide the same level of services that it did in the past. Chairman Hallisey asked Ms. Arrighi to investigate whether trash removal service at White Horse Beach could be worked into the DPW's schedule.

Tall Pines Flooding Issues – Chairman Hallisey noted that a representative from Senator Murray's office will facilitate a meeting regarding flooding issues in the Tall Pines neighborhood at the Plymouth Police Station at 6:00 p.m. on June 9, 2010.

Visitor Services Board / Conduct of Committee Members – Chairman Hallisey expressed his disappointment regarding the exchange that occurred between Visitor Services Board ("VSB") member Genevieve Jaeger and Selectman Quintal during the public comment portion of the meeting. He encouraged Selectman Quintal to reapply for service on the VSB.

Selectman Quintal apologized for raising his voice during the exchange and sought to clarify the reasons why he chose to serve on the VSB. He explained that he waited to see if there were other citizens who wished to come forth to apply for the seat he holds on the VSB (which will expire on June 30, 2010), and, because no one came forth by the specified deadline, he stated that he will reapply to serve, in full accordance with the Board's process.

Selectman Harnais and Selectman Muratore both stated their hopes and expectations that the citizens appointed to serve on Town committees will conduct themselves in a professional, respectful manner. Selectman Muratore noted his belief that Plymouth's elected officials must look within their own boards/commissions to ensure that they are leading by example,

and he inquired whether the Board has the ability to remove a committee member who displays a pattern of unprofessional conduct.

Ms. Arrighi explained that there is a general process by which the Selectmen may remove an appointed committee member (unless the establishing bylaw for the particular committee specifies otherwise) that offers the committee appointee the right to a public hearing.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

On a motion by Selectman Harnais, seconded by Selectman Muratore, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting at approximately 9:30 p.m. Voted 5-0-0, approved.

Chairman Hallisey noted that the Board would not hold a meeting on June 15, 2010.

Recorded by Tiffany Park, Clerk to the Board of Selectmen