

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SELECTMEN/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: October 20, 2009
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Bruce D. Sauvageau, Chairman
John P. Cronan, Absent
Brenda Eckstrom
M. Jane Donahue, Clerk pro-tem
Walter B. Cruz, Sr.

Also present: John J. Sanguinet, Interim Town Administrator

MOTION: Selectman Eckstrom moved to have Selectman Donahue as clerk pro-tem.
Selectman Cruz seconded

VOTE: 3-0-1 Selectman Donahue abstained

3. DISCUSSION WITH INTERIM POLICE CHIEF

Present before the board: Chief Stanley
Chief Stanley provided the board with a detailed presentation (as attached)

4. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR CANDIDATES

Present before the board: Michael Moresco
Mr. Moresco spoke about his experience and education and stated that he is currently a member of the Board of Selectmen in Marshfield. Mr. Moresco said he was very excited and would love to be the next Town Administrator. Mr. Moresco stated that we are in difficult times and will have to look to the unions to make concession. He will want to spend time with various department heads listening and getting to know them and to provide leadership. During the first week he would sit down with each of the board members to get to know them and learn their priorities, hold meetings with department heads and introduce himself and scheduled time to see what the department heads priorities are.

Present before the board: Robert Canevazzi
Mr. Canevazzi spoke about his experience and education and stated for the last 10 years he worked in the Town of Dennis as the Assistant to the Town Administrator and also as the Town Administrator for seven years. Mr. Canevazzi stated that when he was the Interim Town Administrator in Dennis they had a \$500,000 deficient back in 2001 and he worked closely with Department managers asking where they could least afford to have the budget cuts. Mr. Canevazzi said he would work as a team with the Finance Committee and to gain information from the public as to what services are important to them. Mr. Canevazzi stated that communication with the Board of

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Selectmen has to be open, timely and concise to move forward together so that everyone is on the same page.

Present before the board: Mark Andrews

Mr. Andrews spoke about his experience and education and stated that he has taught at Suffolk University and managed a \$250 million dollar budget for the City of Lawrence.

Mr. Andrews was asked how he would manage to balance the budget in which he responded that he would look to electronic transfers, furloughs and downsizing departments as well. Mr. Andrews said the most important part of communicating to the public is to bring municipal forums directly to the neighborhoods. Mr. Andrews stated that it's important to have meetings with the department heads to let them know exactly what is expected to them.

5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

(none)

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(none)

7. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Authorization to sign bills and documents, etc. (none)

b. Appointment to the Board of Health from an associate member to full member

MOTION: Selectman Donahue moved to appoint Diane Allen as a member to the Board of Health to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2011. Selectman Eckstrom seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

c. Appointment to Council on Aging Board of Directors

MOTION: Selectman Donahue moved to appoint Paul Ciccotelli as a member to the Council on Aging Board of Directors to a term to expire no later than June 30, 2012. Selectman Eckstrom seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. LICENSES& PERMITS

a. Use of town road for the Wareham Veterans Council, c/o Jim Newman, 48 Marion Road, Wareham for their annual parade. The parade starts at Besse Park down Main Street and left up Chapel Hill to Marion Road and end at the Town Hall on Wednesday, November 11, 2009.

MOTION: Selectman Donahue moved to approve the use of town roads for the Wareham Veterans Council, c/o Jim Newman, 48 Marion Road, Wareham for their 50th annual Veterans' Day parade. The parade starts at Besse Park down Main Street and left

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up Chapel Hill to Marion Road and end at the Town Hall on Wednesday, November 11, 2009. Selectman Eckstrom seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Selectmen Business

Budgets: Biz is working to close the FY2009 books, she will be meeting with the Town Auditor Powers and Sullivan next week preliminary and hopes to have a trial balance to DOR shortly thereafter.

FY2010 as Mr. Sanguinet stated at the Finance Committee will not know the final (if any) reductions in local aid for several more weeks. At that time it may be easier to call for a Special just for additional cuts rather than rush to do it now.

FY2011 Mr. Sanguinet has prepared a preliminary budget sheet that shows has revenues remain level. Tax levy is going up by 3% but Mr. Sanguinet estimated Local Aid dropping by 2% and local receipts down by 11%. Mr. Sanguinet will be meeting with department heads tomorrow to begin the process.

H1N1 Clinics: Mr. Sanguinet has spoken to Robert Either regarding a clinic for H1N1 and he indicated that Wareham should have vaccine by late November.

Buzzards Bay Action Committee: Included in your packet is an update from Dave Pichette.

Contract 31 Change Order #1: The Wareham Water District that the town included as additional work and have the water mains replace on Oak Street by Gioioso. This will be a no cost change order allowing for the work to be done now, top coat the street now and the water district pay the town and we pay Gioioso

Recommended action. Motion for the Board to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of 482,900.45

MOTION: Selectman Eckstrom moved to approve change order #1 in the amount of \$482,900.45 to be reimbursed by the Wareham Water District. Selectman Eckstrom seconded for discussion asking if the town had a memorandum of agreement signed. Mr. Sanguinet stated that he will be getting that shortly. Selectman Eckstrom amended her motion as follows:

MOTION: Selectman Eckstrom moved to approve the change order #1 in the amount of \$482,900.45 to be reimbursed by the Wareham Water District pending a signed agreement. Selectman Donahue seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

10. TOWN BUSINESS

Habitat for Humanity/Byrne Circle – Local imitative program application.

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Selectman Sauvageau had some concerns about the letter than he is being asked to sign as Chairman of Board and would like to have some more information before signing.

MOTION: Selectman Donahue moved to go beyond the hour of 10:00 p.m. Selectman Eckstrom seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Traffic flow on Hathaway Street

Mr. Sanguinet asked the board to make the changes to Hathaway Street by making it a no passing zone the entire length and reducing the speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph. Selectman Eckstrom stated that she heard from some residents that they were okay with the speed limit and if they made it a no passing zone that should help.

MOTION: Selectman Eckstrom moved to make Hathaway Street a no passing zone. Selectmen Donahue seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Any other Town Business

Selectman Donahue announced that the Coastal Hazards and Sea Level workshop by Coastal Management will be held at the Library on Tuesday, November 3rd 1-3:30 p.m.

Selectman Donahue thanked the people who came out for the Citizens participation afternoon and thanked the people who moderated.

Selectman Eckstrom stated that they have received complaints about the television flickering and they found out that it's the relay to the Comcast and they are working on it.

Selectman Eckstrom thanked Mr. Sanguinet for his dedication to the town and for his hard work and effort and stated that she has appreciated everything he has done for the board.

Selectman Sauvageau thanked the OPL for hosting their annual review of town meeting.

11. SEWER BUSINESS

a. Any sewer business

12. LIAISON REPORTS

none

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Selectman Eckstrom moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining with non-union personnel. Also, to discuss strategy to litigation. Selectman Donahue seconded.

Vote: Selectman Eckstrom – yes
Selectman Donahue – yes
Selectman Cruz – Yes
Selectman Sauvageau – yes

14. **SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Wilson
Department Assistant

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Board of Selectmen/Sewer Commissioners on November 3, 2009.

Attest: ***M. Jane Donahue, Clerk pro-tem***

Date Signed: November 3, 2009
Date sent to the Town Clerk: November 4, 2009