



**Town of Wellfleet - Board of Selectmen
Wellfleet Library
September 9, 2008
Regular Meeting - Minutes**

This meeting was not videotaped. For the record, there was no video tape of August 27, 2008 because a quorum was not attained to hold the meeting.

Chair Jacqui Beebe called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Selectmen present included Dale Donovan, Michael May and Ira Wood. Town Administrator Paul Sieloff also attended.

Regrets: Jerry Houk

I. Open Session & Announcements

Dennis O'Connell announced the Wellfleet Conservation Trust's "Walks in Wellfleet" at Boundbrook Island this weekend.

II. New Business

◆ Fire Chief Daniel Silverman introduced Samuel Blakeslee and Eleanor Moody and recommended their appointment as Call Department members of the Wellfleet Fire Department.

MOTION 08-0255: *To move to approve the appointments of Edward Mitchell as Police Dispatcher and Samuel Blakeslee and Eleanor Moody as Call Firefighters.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Samuel Blakeslee had submitted a request for the use of the area to the right of Mayo Beach boardwalk access point for the wedding of Rebecca Taylor and Samuel Blakeslee on September 21, 2008 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

MOTION 08-0256: *To move to approve the use of Town property request for the area to the right of Mayo Beach boardwalk access point for the wedding of Rebecca Taylor and Samuel Blakeslee on September 21, 2008 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Beebe Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Gary Joseph distributed an August update and related news of the Herring River Restoration Project to the Selectmen. Another public scoping session is scheduled for September 7, 2008 at the Senior Center at 7 p.m., he said.

◆ Rex Peterson explained the change orders for Uncle Tim's Bridge restoration. The first request was for an additional \$11,588.33 for increased cost of materials. His other request was to approve a \$5,000 cap on any other change. Rex Paul Millet and Paul Sieloff have to approve any further changes.

MOTION 08-0257: *To move to approve the change order for Uncle Tim's Bridge and to place a \$5,000 cap on any future changes that need approval by Rex Peterson, Paul Millet of EPG and Paul Sieloff.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Beebe Yea 4 Nay 0

Peterson discussed the time frame for the street closure that is necessary for the project. From the floor, Hugh Guilderson commented on the increased costs of material.

◆ Fire Chief Daniel Silverman distributed a spreadsheet on Fire Station costs and explained the change order for the propane tanks and other budgeted and unbudgeted changes to date which totaled \$68,806.40. The unbudgeted amount for propane tanks is \$32,690.56. The total for the propane tanks is \$78,199.90.

MOTION 08-0258: *To move to approve the change order for the unbudgeted \$32,690.55 for the propane tanks for the Fire Station.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Chief Silverman also discussed use of rocks at the sandpit.

◆ Chief Silverman explained the tax bill insert for house numbering and driveway clearing. House numbering is part of the Emergency 911 System, he said. An AmeriCorps volunteer will be working on this starting in October, according to Paul Sieloff

MOTION 08-0259: *To move to approve a tax bill insert for house numbering and driveway clearing.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Town Administrator Paul Sieloff discussed a proposal to apply for State Revolving Fund for the possible water system project. He said the Town should be looking into funds and low interest loans. EPG had applied for a 2% loan from the State Revolving Funds. The expectation is that there will be a proposal ready for Annual Town Meeting.

◆ Sandy Wonders, president of the Friends of the Council on Aging, had requested the use of the Town Hall lawn on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008 and Saturday Sept. 20, 2008 from 9:30am to noon for sale of tickets for the COA transportation program fundraiser.

MOTION 08-0260: *To move to approve the use of Town property request for Town Hall lawn on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008 and Saturday Sept. 20, 2008 from 9:30am to noon for sale of tickets for COA transportation program fundraiser.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ COA Director Suzanne Thomas distributed memos on the damage to the floor of the Great Pond Room and discussed the proposed floor repair. She was looking for direction from the BOS on materials to use for replacement of the flooring. Thomas said that the Town Administrator had suggested preparing a proposal for Annual Town Meeting. Paul Sieloff said he'd like to have the engineers examine the floor before proceeding. There was a discussion of the cause of the original water damage to the floor.

◆ As Acting Beach Director, Suzanne Thomas discussed the surfing issue at Maguire's Landing. She reported one additional email from a family who hated having surfers at that beach. She also had an email from the Assistant DPW Director regarding illegal parking at Maguire's Landing parking lot. Thomas reported on a phone conversation with a woman who felt threatened by the surfers. Thomas discussed the interaction of lifeguards and surfers. Paul Sieloff said that he too had received complaints about the surfers at Maguire's Landing. Next year surfing will be limited to WhiteCrest Beach. Wood suggested that police enforcement was warranted. Police Chief Rosenthal suggested that a police officer be assigned solely to beach issues next summer. Paul Sieloff said there is an upcoming meeting on beach issues October 6 at 10 a.m. at Town Hall. He suggested bringing the matter back to the Selectmen after this meeting.

◆ Before leaving, Thomas reported that the beaches had made \$16,000 over last summer.

◆ Paul Sieloff explained a state solar powered lighting grant program which would allow installation of a small solar light on the flagpole in front of Town Hall.

◆ Rex Peterson came forward to discuss the Local Historic District Study Committee. There is a specific process that has to be followed outlined in an email letter from Ashley Fawkes-Sylver. Peterson had prepared a draft letter for the Selectmen to send.

MOTION 08-0261: *To move to send, as prepared, the letter for the creation of a Local Historic Study Committee.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Recognizing that Planning Board Chairman Dennis O’Connell had been waiting for his agenda item all evening, Wood recommended that at future BOS meetings volunteer board chairs be placed on the agenda before paid department heads.

◆ Planning Board Chairman Dennis O’Connell presented the Planning Board’s Zoning By-law Revisions for a Site Plan Review – Special Permit proposal. O’Connell asked that the Articles prepared by the Planning Board be considered for placement on the Warrant for Special Town Meeting. There will be a hearing October 17 prior to STM. At Wood’s request, O’Connell discussed what effect the bylaw would have had if it had been in place as of January 2008. Attorney Ben Zehnder commented favorably on the bylaw revision proposal. Zehnder suggested that if the Selectmen feel the Planning Board bylaw accomplishes the Selectmen’s goals, the BOS consider withdrawing their own proposal if they feel that it is no longer necessary.

MOTION 08-0262: *To move to accept the Planning Board’s bylaw change proposals and refer the Articles back to Planning Board for advertising a public hearing and inclusion in the Special Town Meeting Warrant.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Wood Yea 4 Nay 0

◆ Paul Sieloff discussed a proposal for a non-commercial sign bylaw. The purpose of the bylaw was to place limits on the number of temporary signs displayed. O’Connell said that the bylaw revision had not come before Planning Board and suggested that it be sent to them for consideration as Warrant Articles for Annual Town Meeting. Ben Zehnder discussed procedure for preparing bylaws. BOS agreed to send the proposal to the Planning Board.

III. Old Business

Paul Sieloff had three other reports to give. He said: 1.) The Budget Changes Policy could be approved at the Sept. 23 meeting, and Finance Committee could discuss Budget process at a future meeting. If FinCom wants to participate in preparing the Budget statement, they should come to the Sept. 23 meeting of the BOS; 2.) The Energy Star plaque had been installed outside of Town Hall; and 3.) Eastham had expressed interest in joining Wellfleet at the joint BOS meeting with Truro on October 14, 2008. Sieloff recommended holding the meeting at 8 p.m.

IV. Correspondence

Dale Donovan said he had included the Cape Cod Selectmen Association’s Breakfast Meeting to be held Friday, September 12, 2008 in the updated Correspondence Report

V. Minutes of 8/12/08 and 8/19/08

MOTION 08-0263: *To move to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2008 and August 19, 2008 Board of Selectmen meetings.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 4 Nay 0

VII. Future Meetings & Special Town Meeting

- ◆ Donovan suggested a meeting to examine the LCPC suggestions for the Board of Selectmen and incorporate them as the goals. One is the establishment of an Economic Development Commission that could be put on the agenda for the meeting of Sept. 23, 2008. Wood said he would like to be on that Commission.
- ◆ The joint meeting with the Finance Committee, tentatively planned for September 23, 2008, will include discussion of the DPW Vehicle Rollover Policy and fees for: Use of Town Property, the Senior Center, the Marina, the Board of Health and the Transfer Station.
- ◆ Rex Peterson reviewed the Special Town Meeting Warrant to date. So far there are two Questions and sixteen Articles in the draft.

VIII. Adjournment & Executive Session

MOTION 08-0264: *To move that the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session for discussion of union matters and litigation and not return to open session.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Wood **Yea 4** **Nay 0**

Roll call (May, Beebe, Wood, Donovan – yea)

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m., and the Board went into Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Rogers, Committee Secretary

Jacqueline Beebe, Chair

Michael May

Dale Donovan

Ira Wood