



Town of Wellfleet - Board of Selectmen
Wellfleet Council of Aging
June 24, 2008
Regular Meeting - Minutes

Chair Jacqui Beebe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Selectmen present included Dale Donovan, Jerry Houk, Michael May and Ira Wood. Town Administrator Paul Sieloff also attended.

I. Open Session & Announcements

- ◆ Construction work at the Fire Station will require the closing of Lawrence Rd to traffic immediately through June 27 and from July 1-3 during the hours of construction.
- ◆ The first movie at Preservation Hall will be shown July 1.
- ◆ Fourth of July the car parade starts around 9:30 and the main parade at 10 a.m.
- ◆ The Independence (from Fossil Fuel) Day announcement was noted.

Planning Board members asked for a response to their letter inquiring about the status of access to the Landing Strip parcel in the Marconi area of the National Seashore. Town Administrator Paul Sieloff said he had discussed the matter with the National Seashore. David Rowell of the Planning Board questioned the procedure. Gerald Parent discussed determining access to the property. Tom Reinhart asked about establishing the value of the parcel. Rowell said the case was to be brought to Land Court. Sieloff said he'd like this on the agenda for the next meeting after he consults with Town Counsel.

Dale Donovan discussed the appropriateness of the appointment of Bob Gross to the Marina Advisory Committee. He said it was proper, but in the future any possible perception of conflicts should be clarified in advance.

II. New Business

A. Appointments

- ◆ LCP Implementation Committee – Dale Donovan, Barbara Gray, Paul Pilcher, Alan Platt and Manuel Smith

Dale Donovan discussed his reasons for applying for the LCP Implementation Committee.

MOTION 08-0203: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the appointments to the LCP Implementation Committee.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 5 Nay 0

- ◆ Planning Board – Griswold Draz

MOTION 08-0204: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the appointment of Griswold Draz to the Planning Board as*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** Houk Withdrawn

Since there were two applicants for reappointment to the Planning Board, Wood withdrew Motion 08-0204, and Houk withdrew his second so that the reappointments could be considered first.

◆ Planning Board Reappointments – Stephen Oliver and Ronald Harper
Donovan explained rationale for changing the membership of the Board, keeping Ronald Harper on and not reappointing Stephen Oliver. Beebe discussed her view of the situation, deferring to the Planning Board chairman’s wish to see Stephen Oliver retained. Stephen Oliver said he would like to stay on the Board. Jerry Houk expressed his reasons for not supporting Oliver. Gerald Parent, Vice-Chair of the Planning Board, spoke about the time and thought involved in working on bylaw change. Beebe said it would send a negative message to volunteer boards to not reappoint a present member of Planning Board. From the floor, Ben Zehnder discussed the dynamics of new members on the Zoning Board.. Wood responded to some of Zehnder’s remarks on political appointments. Donovan spoke about the importance of Planning Board’s current work

MOTION 08-0205: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the reappointment of Ronald Harper and not approve the reappointment of Stephen Oliver to the Planning Board.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** Houk Yea 3 Nay 2

MOTION 08-0206: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the appointment of Griswold Draz to the Planning Board .*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** Houk Yea 3 Nay 2

B. Re-appointments

◆ Cable Advisory Committee – Tom Cole and Betsy Williams

MOTION 08-0207: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the appointment of Tom Cole and Betsy Williams to the Cable Advisory Committee.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** Donovan Yea 5 Nay 0

◆ Open Space Committee – Jan Plaue, Lynn Southey, Janet Doherty, Cynthia Hope, Bob Jackson, John Portnoy

◆ Community Preservation Committee – Jan Plaue, Barbara Gray

◆ Conservation Commission – Virginia Page

◆ Coastal & Pond Access Committee – Morton Miller

◆ Zoning Board of Appeals – Vernon Jacob

◆ Historic Commission – Ashley Fawkes-Sylver

MOTION 08-0208: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the reappointments for, Open Space Community Preservation Committees, Conservation Commission, Coastal & Pond Access Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals and Historic Commission.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Wood Yea 5 Nay 0

C. Use of Town Property

◆ Request from ***Sick Day*** for use of WhiteCrest Beach, Maguire’s Landing, Newcomb Hollow and Cahoon Hollow, June 1st through October 1st during daylight hours.

◆ Request from ***Little Overhead*** for use of WhiteCrest Beach, June 1st through October 1st during low tide only.

◆ Request from ***Fun Seekers*** for use of WhiteCrest, Newcomb Hollow, Cahoon Hollow and LeCount Hollow, May through October, Daily

◆ Request from ***Cape Cod Surf Camp*** for use of WhiteCrest from May through October

There was discussion of getting the Conservation Agent's sign off for the requests. The Beach Administrator Suzanne Grout Thomas also discussed the number of applicants sharing the use of the Town beaches.

MOTION 08-0209: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the requests for use of Town property from Sick Day, Little Overhead, Fun Seekers and Cape Cod Surf Camp. All four approvals are pending complete sign offs on the application forms.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Wood Yea 5 Nay 0

IV. Old Business

Planning Board's Review of Zoning By-law Amendments
Vice-Chair Gerald Parent said the draft Site Plan Review bylaw had gone to Town Council for review. Parent said Planning Board would be meeting with Non-Resident Taxpayers and the public during the summer. Beebe offered the services of Town Counsel at a future Planning Board meeting if they wish. David Rowell of Planning Board also discussed lot coverage issues.

Paul Sieloff had an item of new business he'd failed to mention during the New Business session of the meeting. He said the IRS had changed the mileage rates from 50.5 to 58 cents. He asked that the Selectmen approve the change. Houk said he'd like to think about it until the next meeting. Sieloff said that waiting until the next meeting would require some retro calculations. Donovan said that the Selectmen should also consider restricting travel. Wood asked for a list of those who use and receive mileage. From the floor, John Makely asked about those who get mileage. Sieloff said he would have the information for the next meeting.

MOTION 08-0210: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the new mileage rates for the Town.*

Motion by: Donovan **Seconded by:** Wood Withdrawn

V. Correspondence

The Chief of Police had suggested the use of low cost motion detectors in Town buildings. Chief Richard Rosenthal was present to introduce the idea and will have additional information for another meeting..

As a response the Mark Berry's letter of resignation, Dale Donovan suggested sending Mark Berry a letter of thanks for his service as Chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners.

VI. Minutes

MOTION 08-0211: *To move that the Board of Selectmen to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 10, 2008.*

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May Yea 5 Nay 0

VII. Future Meetings & Agendas

Paul Sieloff reported on a few matters. He had not yet heard back from Truro about scheduling a joint meeting. Sieloff said Cape Light was still providing information to the Town on its energy audit. Sieloff was also working on parking in Town. He said some parking signs had been changed and additional handicap spaces were created.

Houk said that there should be an active Personnel Board in accordance with Charter specifications. He'd like this to be a future agenda item. Donovan said the Personnel Board needs to be revived with members to serve on it. Sieloff discussed getting good appointments to the Personnel Board because of liability concerns.

Wood suggested having a seminar for the future Personnel Board with the insurance person about liability concerns.

VIII. Adjournment & Executive Session

MOTION 08-0212: To move that the Board of Selectmen to go into Executive Session for union and non union matters and not return to open meeting.

Motion by: Wood **Seconded by:** May **Yea 5** **Nay 0**

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

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m., and the Board went into Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Rogers, Committee Secretary

Jacqueline Beebe, Chair

Michael May

Ira Wood

Dale Donovan

Jerry Houk