



**Wellfleet Board of Selectmen
Minutes of the Meeting of September 14, 2010
Wellfleet Library, 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Ira Wood, Dale Donovan, Jerry Houk, and Berta Bruinooge; Town Administrator Paul Sieloff.

Vice-chair Ira Wood called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Chair Jacqui Beebe was absent because of illness.

Announcements, Open Session and Public Comment [7:00]

Berta Bruinooge asserted that the Wellfleet Council on Aging building was a better location than the Wellfleet Library for Selectmen's meetings. She noted that the Council on Aging building has more parking and a larger meeting space that accommodates more people. Wood and Donovan said that they were open to the change.

Town Clerk Dawn Rickman will be hosting voter registration on the Wednesday, October 13, 2010, a night that S.P.A.T. has had approved to begin their set-up in the Wellfleet Town Parking Lot for Oysterfest. Rickman will be hosting voter registration until 8pm and asked Town Administrator Paul Sieloff to communicate with S.P.A.T. to make sure that access to handicap parking is kept open.

Wood announced that Wellfleet residents are invited to a party to celebrate Wellfleet Police Chief Rosenthal's Retirement. The party will be on Thursday, September 23, 2010, at Marconi Beach Restaurant, and the cost will be \$29.99. RSVP to Hillary Greenberg at hillary.greenberg@wellfleet-ma.gov.

John Pontius, the owner of Finely JP's, said that he felt slighted because he was not told that a noise complaint against his restaurant was on the agenda for the Selectmen's meeting on August 31, 2010. Wood apologized to Mr. Pontius for the lack of communication.

Wellfleet Fire Chief Dan Silverman, announced that October 3-9, 2010, is Fire Prevention Week, and Wellfleet Elementary School children are invited to participate in a poster contest. He asked that a Selectman be a judge for the poster contest.

Wellfleet Police Lieutenant Ron Fisetette announced that on September 25, 2010, from 10am-2pm, there will be a prescription drug "turn-in event." There will be 10 medication collection sites across the Cape; in Wellfleet, medicine will be collected at the Police Department. People may drop off expired medication or medication that is no longer needed, and the DEA will properly and responsibly dispose of the material.

New Business

Motion of Board of Selectmen to revoke the State of Emergency in the Town of Wellfleet

MOTION 10-0267: Bruinooge moved to revoke the State of Emergency in the Town of Wellfleet. Houk seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Presentation of Nauset Neighbors organization [Carole McAuliffe, Esther Elkin]

Nauset Neighbors is a nonprofit, all-volunteer, grassroots organization with a mission of helping seniors to remain independent and in their homes for as long as possible. The organization hopes to launch in November of this year. The fee to join will be around \$175/year/person or \$225/couple.

Old Business

Noise Complaint Update [Ron Fisetette]

Ron Fiset submitted a letter to the Selectmen, and he reported that the problem has been resolved.

Discussion on the Executive Assistant position

Town Administrator Paul Sieloff explained that the former Executive Assistant left in May 2010 and that he wanted to fill the position with a job share. Currently, the position is filled with 3 employees, each working about 2 days a week.

Bruinooge asked who would be responsible for working on the budget. Sieloff explained that Michaela Miteva will be the employee working on the budget. Bruinooge asked how long Sieloff plans to use the current system of 3 employees. Sieloff replied that if performance continues at the current level, or if it improves, he would like to keep the system through at least the end of the calendar year. Sieloff will put this item on the agenda for the first meeting in December.

Discussion on upcoming joint meeting with the Finance Committee

Paul Sieloff will present the budget policy for fiscal year 2012. One focus of the meeting will be the information on fiscal management goals. The joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee will be next Wednesday, September 22, at 7pm at the Council on Aging. Donovan proposed that at least one member of the School Committee Board be invited. Sieloff agreed to tell the members of the Finance Committee that the meeting will be held at the Council on Aging Building.

Discussion on Wellfleet and Harwich Dispatcher proposal and grant

Sieloff recommended doing a thorough financial analysis of moving the Wellfleet Police Department dispatch operations to the Harwich Police Department dispatch center. The Harwich Town Administrator is enthusiastic about the possibility of working with Wellfleet. A third party will analyze the cost to Harwich and the benefit to Wellfleet. The study would cost about \$4,800, and the Cape Cod Commission has offered a grant of \$3,000 for the study. The two towns would split the \$1,800 difference in cost, with both Harwich and Wellfleet paying \$900. Sieloff said that he would like to go ahead with the study but that he wanted to inform the Board about the issue. The Board agreed that it was a good idea to go ahead with the study.

Future Concerns

Sieloff suggested bringing forward agenda items and a loose draft for the Annual Town Meeting as early as November. The Selectmen agreed that having a draft by November would be ideal. Sieloff will put it on the agenda for November and will contact committees to see if they would like to add anything to the agenda.

Bruinooge congratulated the Police Department for closing their fiscal year within their allocated budget for overtime pay.

Correspondence and Minutes [July 27, 2010; August 31, 2010; September 3, 2010]

MOTION 10-0268: Donovan moved to approve the minutes of July 27, 2010. Bruinooge seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION 10-0269: Donovan moved to approve the minutes of August 31, 2010. Bruinooge seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION 10-0270: Donovan moved to approve the minutes of September 3, 2010. Bruinooge seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Adjournment

MOTION 10-0271: Bruinooge moved that the Selectmen go into Executive Session. Houk seconded. Each Selectman said yes, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Christin Marshall, Executive Assistant