

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Tuesday, January 19, 2010, 6:00 PM

Dennis Town Hall, Hearing Room

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Present: Selectmen: Paul McCormick, Sheryl McMahon, Heidi Schadt, Alan Tuttle, and Wayne Bergeron. Town Administrator Rick White, Assistant Town Administrator Sandra Fife and Wendy Pells Recording Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Paul McCormick announced that donation cans will be placed at all the Dennis Public Libraries. The donations are being collected to help the victims of the earth quake in Haiti.

CONSENT AGENDA

Accept Donation to the Dennis Police Dept.

Accept Resignation from Alternative Energy Committee

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to approve the consent agenda with many Thanks to Tom Dimauro. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

HEARING

6:30 PM Request to Access Nobscusset Way to Water, Cape Cod Engineering
Paul McCormick read the public hearing notice into the record.

Robert Perry, Owner of Cape Cod Engineering explained that this request is necessary in order to make repairs to an existing rock revetment. He stated that we have done this before, as it is becoming a yearly process. The work will begin in mid- February.

Paul McCormick asked if there were any comments or questions from the public. Hearing none.

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to close hearing. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to approve the request from Cape Cod Engineering to access the Nobscusset Way to Water in order to make repairs to an existing rock revetment. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

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TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Review Results of Capital Plan Summit

Paul McCormick announced the Summit II will be held on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 At 6:00 PM at the Dennis Police Dept.

CDBG Grant Update Bailey Boyd

Alice Boyd stated that the Dennisport Revitalization Committee supports the effort to target Dennisport for home repairs. This is a tremendous program. This program helps family's stay in their homes. She added that we have been able to obtain \$1M per year. The Town files the grant application jointly with the Town of Harwich. This does not cost the Town anything.

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to submit the FY2010 CDBG Grant. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to change the existing target area from Mayfair Rd. So. Dennis to the village of Dennisport. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to access up to \$60,000 from the grant program income account to fund additional childcare subsidy slots. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

Request to Donate Drainage Improvements at Chase Ave. Dennisport

Dan Ojala, Engineer with Down Cape Engineering addressed the Selectmen. He explained that as mitigation plan Down Cape Engineering will install drainage on Town Property to alleviate storm water flow into Nantucket Sound on Chase Ave. in Dennisport, map 67/ parcel 71

Motion:

Sheryl McMahon moved to accept the drainage improvements. Paul McCormick seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

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Request to Move House from 33 Horsefoot Path to 144 Winslow Gray Rd.

Sean Smith owner of A&S Construction addressed the Selectmen. He stated that he has contacted all the utility companies and necessary departments. He mentioned that he may have to have sign removed at Rte. 6A and Nobscussett Rd. He also noted that they will have to cross into the opposite lane when they enter Old Bass River Rd. from Main St.

Wayne Bergeron stated they he would prefer that the move happen earlier in the morning. He mentioned that he has some concerns with the morning traffic.

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to grant contingent approval for the house move from Dennis to Yarmouth on January 27, 2010 providing the Town receives the liability insurance and surety bond. Sheryl McMahon seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

Consider Ambulance Fees

Fire Chief Mark Dellner stated that costs have risen. The Board of Selectmen will need to approve the increase. The Medicare rates increase at 5% per year. The Town charges Medicare plus 40%. The Board of Selectmen has an abatement process. The Town tries to work with folks in order to work out payments. Last year the Town only had 11 abatements. Chief Dellner recommended that the Board only consider a 5% increase over last year's rates. Medicare is reducing their rates by 7.4%.

Alan Tuttle stated that he is glad there is an abatement program, as it is needed.

Chief Dellner stated that 55% of the billing is through Medicare.

Heidi Schadt asked if the customer is a sent abatement form.

Chief Mark Dellner stated that there is language on the bill instructing them to contact the office to make payment arrangements.

Wayne Bergeron stated that he would like to state directly on the bill that customer may apply for an abatement.

Sheryl McMahon mentioned that changing the existing policy is not on the agenda. The Selectmen are here to consider the fee increase.

Chief Dellner stated that he would make available to the Selectmen copies of the invoices that show that the customer is instructed to contact the office to set up a payment plan.

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Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to accept the 5% increase. Alan Tuttle seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 3-2-0. The motion was carried.

Consider Design for Annual Town Report

Paul McCormick mentioned that there have been suggestions to put Sea View Park on the cover. Paul McCormick stated that he has given the plans to Steve Buss for review.

There was a consensus from the Selectmen to put Sea View Park on the cover.

OLD BUSINESS

Old Police Dept. Building

Alan Tuttle stated that we have an investment in that building and we shouldn't let it go.

Wayne Bergeron stated that he is at a loss to understand why we need to put the utilities back on at the old PD.

Heidi Schadt stated that she is not in favor of turning the utilities back on at this point.

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved not to restore the utilities at the old police station. Wayne Bergeron seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 4-1-O (AT). The motion was carried.

MINUTES

12/8/09

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to approve the minutes of 12/8/2009. Alan Tuttle seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 4-0-1. The motion was carried.

12/10/09

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to approve the minutes of 12/10/2009. Alan Tuttle seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

12/22/09

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to approve the minutes of 12/22/2009. Sheryl McMahon seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 4-0-1. The motion was carried.

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12/30/09

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to approve the minutes of 12/30/2009. Wayne Bergeron seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 4-0-1. The motion was carried.

01/05/10

Motion:

Heidi Schadt moved to approve the minutes of 1/5/2010. Wayne Bergeron seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

01/07/10

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to approve the minutes of 1/7/2010. Heidi Schadt seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0. The motion was carried.

8:15PM

Motion:

Wayne Bergeron moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation. Sheryl McMahan seconded. The Board of Selectmen voted. Paul McCormick "AYE", Sheryl McMahan "AYE", Alan Tuttle "AYE", Heidi Schadt "AYE" and Wayne Bergeron "AYE" 5-0-0. The motion was carried.