

Selectmen's Meeting – July 31, 2006 at Fairhaven Fire Station

Present: Michael Silvia and Ronald Manzone. Winfred Eckenreiter absent.

Also present: Mark Jodoin (EMA), John Rogers (EMA), Roger Gautreau (EMA), Jeffrey Osuch (Executive Secretary), Robert Bosworth (BPW), Kathy Tripp (BPW), John Charbonneau (Highway), Linda Lima (Sewer), Ed Fortin (Water), Gary Souza (Police), Don Fletcher (Fire), Todd Correia (Fire) Kevin Villa (Shellfish), Gary Golas (Harbormaster), Frank Rezendes (BPW), Robert Hobson (BPW), Butch and Dale VanderPol.

Acting Chairman Michael Silvia called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Gary Golas explained the \$18,000. boat pump out grant from the State was due on June 30, 2006. Ronald Manzone to sign the \$18,000. grant application. Michael Silvia seconded. Vote 2-0 to approve.

Robert Bosworth, Board of Public Works, asked permission to use Town Counsel to review the Superintendent of Public Works position to see who can be appointed Acting Superintendent. Ronald Manzone motioned to approve use of Town Counsel. Michael Silvia seconded. Vote 2-0 to approve.

John Nunes explained the process that he followed in reviewing the three candidates for the Payroll Clerk position. Based on the payroll input test and qualifications, John Nunes recommended the hiring of Kelly Ferranti, as the most qualified applicant. Robert Hobson made it known that another applicant was the most senior employee and a grievance may be filed. Ronald Manzone motioned to appoint Kelly Ferranti, the most senior qualified applicant, as Payroll Clerk. Michael Silvia seconded. Vote 2-0 to appoint Kelly Ferranti.

It was stated that a Workers Comp issue would be discussed in Executive Session.

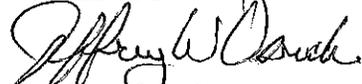
The Emergency Center at the Fire Station was set up and working, including phone lines. General discussion on hurricane preparedness followed. Major issue discussed was communications between departments before and after the storm. The use of Call Firemen and or Police to act as runners from the Police Dispatcher area to the EOC area was discussed. Hiring of equipment from private contractors to be coordinated by the Board of Public Works. Debris disposal areas in different areas of the Town to be coordinated by the BPW. Coverage of Sconticut Neck and West Island – a fire truck and police car will be located at Sconticut Neck Road and Smith Street. No manpower or equipment would be left on West Island. The hurricane portion of the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Ronald Manzone discussed the vacancy on the Personnel Board and motioned to appoint Marc Scanlon to fill the position. Michael Silvia seconded. Vote 2-0 to appoint Marc Scanlon.

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Discussion on the Selectmen's Meeting schedule for August. August 7th and 14th meetings at Town Hall, skip August 21. Meeting on West Island on Monday, August 28th.

At 7:45 p.m., Ronald Manzone motioned to go into executive session to discuss the William Brown workers comp issue. Michael Silvia seconded. Vote 2-0. Roll call - Ronald Manzone in favor. Michael Silvia in favor.


Jeffrey Osuch
Executive Secretary