

Selectmen's Meeting – October 30, 2006

Mr. Eckenreiter, Mr. Manzone and Mr. Silvia were present.

Also in attendance was Jeffrey Osuch.

Mr. Eckenreiter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the minutes of October 12, 2006. Mr. Silvia seconded. It was so voted.

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the minutes of October 16, 2006. Mr. Silvia seconded. It was so voted.

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2006 executive session. Mr. Silvia seconded. It was so voted.

TAX CLASSIFICATION HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 369 of the Acts of 1982, the Board of Selectmen scheduled a public hearing on the issue of allocating the local property tax levy among the five property classes. Notice of the hearing, scheduled for 7:00 p.m., was published in the Standard Times on October 23, 2006. The Director of Finance/Treasurer and the Board of Assessors were present. Mr. Eckenreiter opened the hearing. The Treasurer recommended a Commercial Rate of \$15.57 and a Residential Rate of \$7.90. Discussion followed. Mr. Manzone motioned to adopt a Residential Rate of \$7.90 per thousand and Commercial Rate of \$15.57, per thousand. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board of Public Works and representatives from New Bedford will meet at 2:30 p.m. on October 31, 2006 to discuss Pope's Island sewer tie in and back up water supply.

East Fairhaven School Job Meeting is scheduled for November 1 and November 8, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the site.

East Fairhaven School Building Committee will meet on November 1, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Mattapoisett River Valley Water Treatment Plant meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on November 2, 2006.

The Town's Insurance Consultant, Sylvia Group, scheduled a training session for department heads on November 2, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. at the Board of Public Works.

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November 7, 2006 is Election Day. Polling places open at 7:00 a.m.

EPA scheduled an update on Phase II Cleanup of the Atlas Tack site. Meeting will be held in the Town Hall Banquet Room on November 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Pandemic training session for local officials will be held at Bristol Community College on November 9, 2006 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Town Hall will be closed on Friday, November 10, 2006 in observance of Veteran's Day.

Mr. Manzone motioned to sign the Community Preservation Act letter of application for funding to make exterior repairs to the Town Hall. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

This past Friday, the Town changed the locks on the MacLean's Seafood building on Union Wharf.

Mr. Eckenreiter requested copies of the resumes of the top five qualified applicants for Payroll Clerk.

Mr. Manzone motioned to have the Chairman sign the letter for "Contingency Special Condition" for the FY 06 Block Grant for Bridge Street Reconstruction. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Manzone motioned to have the Chairman sign the letter requesting funding for the New Bedford/Fairhaven Dredge Project – Phase III in the amount of \$5,315,000. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Manzone motioned to support the DCR grant application for the preservation of and structural repairs to Fort Phoenix and to have the Chairman sign the application cover letter. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

ANIMAL SHELTER GIFT ACCOUNT

\$30.00 donation to the gift account was accepted.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the "Residential Building Permit Fee Schedule" adding Wind Turbine". Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

A public hearing will be scheduled on the request from Michael Furtado for a No Parking Zone on the south side of Howland Road between Oak and Sycamore Streets.

HOPPY'S LANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Manzone motioned to appoint Jean Paul Lemieux an Associate member of the Hoppy's Landing Advisory Committee. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Mr. Manzone motioned to appoint Penny Brewer to the Cultural Council. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. Term to expire May 31, 2009.

NSTAR GAS/ELECTRIC

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the petition to install a new gas service at 3 Roseanne Drive and 27 Cove Road on Hathaway Street side. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Approved by the Board of Public Works.)

Mr. Manzone motioned to approve the petition for 1 joint pole location and removal of 1 existing joint pole location on Weeden Place. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. (Approved by the Board of Public Works.)

2007 LICENSE RENEWALS

Mr. Manzone motioned to renew the following Common Victualer Licenses: Burger King, D'angelo Sandwich Shop, Dorothy Cox's Candies, Friendly Ice Cream, The Great Wall Restaurant, Mac's Soda Bar, McDonald's Restaurant, Margaret's, 7-Eleven, Taco Bell. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

Election Day is November 7, 2006. Residents were encouraged to vote.

Veterans' Day is Saturday, November 11, 2006. Residents were encouraged to participate in activities to honor our Veterans.

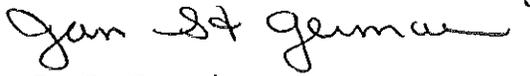
The Board offered their sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Teresa Morgida, wife of Joe Morgida, who passed away recently.

The Board offered their sympathy and prayers to the family of Daniel Bergeron, who was killed in a tragic auto accident.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:17 p.m., Mr. Manzone motioned to go into executive session to discuss the Eisenberg Property, Union Wharf issues, proposed wind turbine project and not to reconvene in open session. Mr. Eckenreiter seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.



Jan St. Germain
Secretary