

Selectmen's Meeting – May 21, 2007

Mr. Silvia and Dr. Bowcock were present. Mr. Manzone was not in attendance.

Jeffrey Osuch was also present.

Mr. Silvia called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of May 5, 2007. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of May 7, 2007. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of executive session of May 7, 2007. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of May 9, 2007. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Tues., 5/22/07 – 8:30 am Retirement Board Meeting @ Town Hall
3:00 pm meet with BPW Supt. @ BPW
4:30 pm Matt. River Valley Water in Mattapoissett

Wed., 5/23/07 – 1:00 pm EFS job meeting

Thurs., 5/24/07 – 10:00 am Water Plant job meeting in Mattapoissett

Fri. 5/25/07- 8:30 am job meeting Fort Phoenix

Wed., 5/30/07 – 10:00 am Dept. of Ed. Meeting @ Dartmouth Town Hall
12:30 pm COA recognition lunch
1:00 pm EFS job meeting

Fri., 6/01/07 - 10:00 am SEMASS in Plymouth

Mr. Osuch presented the Notice of Award for Town Hall Exterior Masonry Restoration to Contracting Specialists, Inc. at the Contract Bid Price of \$226,795.

Also presented to the Board was the Amendment to Design Contract to Dyer Brown for Town Hall Exterior Restoration in the amount of \$77,800 for signatures previously approved by Town Meeting, May 7, 2007, vote. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

First Requisition payment to Monaco Restorations, Inc. in the amount of \$19,475.00. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Osuch told the Selectmen that Mr. Medeiros, Clerical Union Representative, had called to schedule negotiations dates. Dr. Bowcock motioned to instruct Mr. Osuch to schedule negotiations. Mr. Silvia will negotiate with the Clerical Union and Dr. Bowcock will negotiate with the Fire. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Also discussed was the best way to proceed with the restoration and improvement to the McLean's Seafood Bldg. and Union Wharf. Mr. Armstrong, Seaport Advisory, stated that some funding may be available but needs to know exact use of the property. The Board would prefer a small knowledgeable group to develop ideas and strategies and then present to an open forum. To be discussed further at the next Selectmen's meeting.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint David Darmofal as Harbor Master as of 6/1/07 and refer to the Personnel Board to determine rate of pay, weekly schedule and summary of duties. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Roth, Planning Director, presented the Selectmen with Amendment No.3 – Contract between Town Fairhaven & Breezeway Farm Consulting Period 12/19/05 – 6/30/07; work cost \$1,500. Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING

Mr. Silvia called the hearing to order at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Drew Tillett explained the renovations to and floor plan of the building located at 136 Huttleston Ave., formerly Rochester's. Whereas no one spoke against granting the license; Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the liquor license to Ice Chest Bar & Grill. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

ANIMAL SHELTER GIFT ACCOUNT

A donation from Laureen Lowney in the amount of \$230 was gratefully accepted.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Board of Selectmen signed a proclamation for "National Public Works Week" and thanked all the employees for their service to the community. (see attached)

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Dr. Bowcock motioned to grant John Moniz, David Crawley and George Silva III dockage at Union Wharf contingent with necessary insurance documentation. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign an Agreement with Russell Costa for commercial storage at Hoppy's Landing. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Notices from the Division of Marine Fisheries were read into the record. (see attached)

POLICE DEPT.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to reinstate Dispatcher Traci Lord effective 6/3/07. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. (see attached)

Dr. Bowcock motioned to designate a portion of Bryant Lane a "No Parking" zone as requested by the Police Chief. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. (see attached)

HARBOR PLAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE

The Board regretfully accepted Bob Chandler's resignation.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Capt. Todd MacGregor to the committee. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the summer meeting schedule. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous. (see attached)

COMCAST

The Board of Selectmen congratulated Elle Srisirikul on receiving a \$1,000.00 scholarship from the Comcast Foundation.

Discussion ensued regarding contract negotiations with Comcast. Dr. Bowcock stated that he would send a letter to New Bedford's City Council and Mayor Lang regarding this matter and to see if together both communities to get some resolution.

MASSACHUSETTS MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Dr. Bowcock motioned to send a letter to Senator Montigny and Rep. Straus regarding Verizon's attempt to preempt local franchising authority to negotiate a contract. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

NSTAR GAS

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the following petitions for maintenance of gas lines at:

44 Bridge Street

59 Bridge Street

74 Bridge Street

Intersection of Bridge St. at Park Ave.

Intersection of Bridge St. at Green St.

Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

Dr. Bowcock would like to initiate a dialogue with members of the Recreation Committee. The Board feels that their input and ideas on how to best use the town's various recreational properties would be essential.

Memorial Day Parade to start at 8:00 am at South Street, then proceed to Riverside Cemetery and commence at the High School.

Mr. Silvia motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Submitted by,

Bernice A. Alves
Principal Clerk



Paul J. Diodati
Director

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

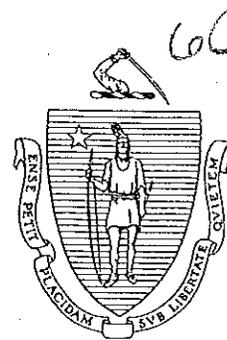
Division of Marine Fisheries

251 Causeway Street • Suite 400

Boston, Massachusetts 02114

(617) 626-1520

Fax: (617) 626-1509



May 15, 2007

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Fairhaven, MA 02719

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below-defined "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" shellfish growing area, West Island South (BB:17), in the Town of Fairhaven, no longer meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish due to unacceptable water quality.

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, sections 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined area has been changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING". Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below defined area is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined area.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

STATUS: Closed to Shellfishing

[May 15 - October 31]

[Dates Inclusive]

West Island South
BB:17.2

"The waters, flats and all tributaries of West Island South, north of a line, drawn from Wilbur's Point on the southern tip of Sconticut Neck to the southern tip of West Island and south of the Goulart Memorial Causeway."

61

Commonwealth of Massachusetts



Division of Marine Fisheries

251 Causeway Street • Suite 400

Boston, Massachusetts 02114

(617) 626-1520

Fax: (617) 626-1509



2007 MAY 11 P12:36

RECEIVED

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FAIRHAVEN MASS
May 11 2007

Paul J. Diodati
Director

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Fairhaven, MA 02719

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below-defined "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" shellfish growing area, Earl's Marina [BB:18.1] in the Town of Fairhaven no longer meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish. Closures of waters within marinas and impacted areas adjacent to marinas are mandatory under provisions of the National Shellfish Sanitation Program while marinas are in operation.

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, sections 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined area has been changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING". Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below-defined area is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined area.

CLASSIFICATION; CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

STATUS; Closed to Shellfishing

(June 1 - October 31)

[Dates Inclusive]

Earl's Marina
BB:18.1

"The waters and flats of that portion of the shellfish growing area, West Island, North in the Town of Fairhaven, southeasterly of a line drawn easterly from the northern tip of Long Island on the West Island Causeway to the NO SHELLFISHING sign on the beach at the western end of Blue Point Road; northerly of a line drawn across the opening to the causeway."



GARY F. SOUZA
CHIEF OF POLICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

1 BRYANT LANE
FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719

www.fairhavenpolice.org

MAY 10 A 11:22
BOARD OF SELECTMAN
FAIRHAVEN MASS

TELEPHONES

Dial 911 Emergency
(508) 997-7421 Non-Emergency
(508) 997-1344 Business
(508) 997-3147 Fax

DONALD A. JOSEPH
LIEUTENANT

May 10, 2007

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
40 Center Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719

RE: Dispatcher Vacancy

Gentlemen:

As you are aware, the police department has a vacancy for a Dispatcher due to the resignation of Lisa Cabral.

I respectfully request the Board reinstate Traci Lord effective June 3, 2007. Traci resigned from her position as a police dispatcher September 17, 2006 in order to complete the student teaching requirement of her Education Degree. She has continued to work as a part-time dispatcher in Rochester so remains fully certified and qualified as a 911 dispatcher.

I expect that she will remain with us until September when she will begin her teaching career. She has indicated that she is willing to remain on a part-time basis after that time.

Hiring Traci gives us the ability to fill a shift immediately saving us the expense of continuing to pay overtime to fill the vacancy created by Cabral's resignation during the time it would take to train an inexperienced person.

As you are aware, the central dispatch system was funded by Town Meeting to begin in October, 2007. It will require that we advertise for and interview applicants for an additional full-time along with several part-time dispatchers. Hiring Traci for the summer allows us to forego a separate interview process in June to fill Cabral's position and instead have one interview process in the fall for all the positions.

APPROVED

APPROVED

5/21/07



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
1 BRYANT LANE
FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719
www.fairhavenpolice.org

TELEPHONES ^{7B}

Dial 911 Emergency
(508) 997-7421 Non-Emergency
(508) 997-1344 Business
(508) 997-3147 Fax

GARY F. SOUZA
CHIEF OF POLICE

DONALD A. JOSEPH
LIEUTENANT

May 9, 2007

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
40 Center St.
Fairhaven, MA 02719

RE: No Parking Sign – Bryant Lane

Gentlemen:

I respectfully request the Board designate the Bryant Lane side of the island in front of the police department parking lot as a no parking zone and authorize installing a "No Parking" sign.

The area is on the east side of Bryant Lane adjacent to the island between the north and south entrances to the police department parking lot. (See attached diagram)

Vehicles parked in that area restrict the visibility of vehicles exiting the PD parking lot which has resulted in numerous near crashes. Those parked vehicles also greatly limit the room for vehicles traveling on Bryant Lane as there are usually vehicles parked on both sides of the street in that area.

Most of the vehicles that park in that area are owned by employees and I can issue an order concerning the practice but I ask that some "teeth" be put in the prohibition by posting the "No Parking" sign. Further, often people coming to the station on business often park in that location instead of driving into the parking lot.

Respectfully

Gary F. Souza
Chief of Police

APPROVED
5/21/07

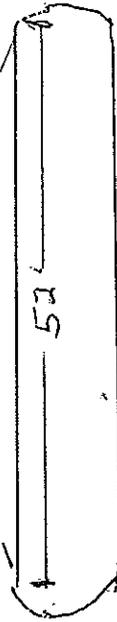
RECEIVED
2007 MAY - 9 P 12:29
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FAIRHAVEN MASS

PROPOSED NO PARKING ZONE
BRYANT LANE



BRYANT LN.

PROPOSED NO PARKING ZONE



P. D.
PARKING
LOT

POLICE
BUILDING

WASHINGTON
STREET

PROPOSED SELECTMEN'S MEETING SCHEDULE
SUMMER OF 2007

MAY 21	(MAY 28 TH MEMORIAL DAY)
JUNE 4	
JUNE 18	
JULY 2	(JULY 4 TH IS WEDNESDAY)
JULY 16	
JULY 30	
AUG 13	
AUG 27	(SEPT 3 RD LABOR DAY)
SEPT 10	

Town of Fairhaven Board of Selectmen

Proclamation

Whereas, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

Whereas, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets and highways, public buildings, and solid waste collection; and

Whereas, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

Whereas, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction, is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works officials; and

Whereas, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform,

Now, therefore, we, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Fairhaven do hereby proclaim the week of May 20 to May 26, 2007 as

“National Public Works Week”

in the Town of Fairhaven, and we call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works and to recognize the contributions which public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Given under our hand and the Seal of the Town of Fairhaven this 21st day of May 2007.