

Selectmen's Meeting – July 28, 2008

Mr. Silvia, Dr. Bowcock and Mr. Murphy were present.

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

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of July 14, 2008. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2008 executive session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of July 21, 2008. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### BOAT RAMPS & WATERFRONT RECREATIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Tim Cox, Chairman of the Boat Ramps and Waterfront Recreational Property Committee, was in attendance to suggest the boat ramp at Hoppy's Landing be named the "Jim Holmes Memorial Boat Ramp". Dr. Bowcock motioned to name the boat ramp at Hoppy's Landing the "Jim Holmes Memorial Boat Ramp". Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. Dedication ceremony for Hoppy's Landing is scheduled for September 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Silvia summarized the letter from the Police Chief regarding the creation of "Sick Leave Bank" for Jaunna Adesso. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to create a "Sick Leave Bank" for Jaunna Adesso, to be a one time individual situation, and the Board of Selectmen will work out the details with the Union(s). Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia read the letter from the Police Chief regarding a request for Parking Control Signs on Spring Street. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the following Parking Control Signs: Sign 1: Locate at east end of Spring Street Garage driveway, 12" east from where the Town concrete curbing begins and approximately 12" inside curbing on the unimproved sidewalk. The sign would be in front of utility pole #251/24 and have an arrow pointing west. Sign 2: Locate west of Spring Street driveway 3 feet west of utility pole #251/23 in front of the residence at 91 Spring Street. This would place the sign 10 feet back from the resident's driveway and be placed between the curbing and improved sidewalk. The arrow would be pointed east. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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#### NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Silvia read the letter from Kevin Villa, Shellfish Constable, regarding the Memorandum of Understanding for the re-opening of shellfish beds on the western side of Sconticut Neck. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the MOU. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Silvia read letters from Earl Faunce and Ronnie Medeira requesting appointment to the Cable Advisory Committee. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Earl Faunce a full member of the Cable Advisory Committee and Ronnie Medeira an Associate member. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Mr. Silvia read Shane Sher's letter of resignation from the Sustainability Committee. (See attached.)

#### NSTAR ELECTRIC

Mr. Silvia read the letter from NSTAR Electric stating petition #6673 to install a new pole on Timothy Street will be withdrawn. (See attached.)

#### VETERANS' SERVICES

Mr. Silvia read the letter from James Cochran, Veterans' Agent, requesting Edith Silva be appointed to the open clerical position in the Veterans' Department. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Edith Silva. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Silvia read the letter from Joe Booth of Dyer Brown SouthCoast Architects recommending the contract for Town Hall Exterior Restoration be awarded to NER Construction Management, Inc. of Randolph. (See attached.) Dr. Bowcock motioned to award the contract to NER Construction Management. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Silvia read the letter from Yvonne Lacoste and Paula Barry requesting stop signs be installed at the intersection of Oxford Street and Castle Avenue. The letter will be forwarded to the Police Department for a recommendation.

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Logan Wood submitted a request for appointment to the Conservation Commission. Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Logan Wood an Associate member of the Commission. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Erika Correia Senior Clerk in the Tax Collector's Office. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

“Switch over” to the new water plant is scheduled for this evening. The Board reminded residents to check water in washing machines prior to washing white cloths.

Due to rain, the North Fairhaven Improvement Association Fun Fair was postponed to this coming Sunday. The Board thanked all the volunteers who were there this past Sunday.

Farmer's Market will be held on Sunday's from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. thru October 19, 2008.

Concerts at the Town Hall are scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays thru August 21, 2008.

Director of the Council on Aging has suggested meetings with department heads two to three times a year.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve use of the Town Hall if it rains on Sunday, August 17, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. for an “interfaith” service hosted by the Unitarian Church. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:05 p.m., Dr. Bowcock motioned to go into executive session to discuss the Police Report regarding an incident involving the Manager of the VFW, personnel/operational issues in the Harbormaster Department and not to reconvene in open session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous. Roll call vote 3-0.

Jan St. Germain  
Secretary