

Selectmen's Meeting – January 26, 2009

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

Also in attendance was Jeffrey Osuch.

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

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of January 12, 2009. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the minutes of January 12, 2009 executive session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Meeting Schedule

1/28/09 - 6:30 p. m. @ Town Hall - SEMASS meeting.

1/29/09 – 7:00 p. m. @ BPW – Finance Committee will meet every week except the week of February school vacation.

Discussion of Police Dispatchers and other union contracts negotiations must be done in executive session.

Articles for Town Meeting received and the sequence order will be drawn at next meeting 2/9/09.

Mr. Ouch suggested that the Selectmen contemplate scheduling meetings with other departments on other nights rather than within the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting to discuss budget request for fiscal year 2010 and fiscal year 2011.

The Board was advised as to an e-mail received from the Lt. Governor's office regarding the President's Stimulus Plan requesting that the Town submit the top three projects.

A meeting with the Finance Committee, BPW and the Board of Selectmen should be scheduled to discuss expenses of snow removal.

Presented to the Board was an invoice in the amount of \$4,499.00 from NER for Change Order #2, request #5, for payment. Dr. Bowcock motioned to have Mr. Silvia sign Change Order #2, Request#5 in the amount of \$4,499. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The contract for the Town Accountant was submitted and was reviewed by Town Counsel for the Board of Selectmen's approval.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve and sign the contract. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

ANIMAL SHELTER GIFT ACCOUNT

A donation in the amount of \$25.00 from Arthur & Loretta VonHacht was gratefully accepted.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

A letter from the Historical Commission stating the vote of support to relocate the Tourism Office to the Academy Bldg. was submitted to the Selectmen. The board requested to hold this matter over until their next meeting on 2/09/2009; the Selectmen requests input from the Commission regarding how the change will take place and the utilization of space.

WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the contracts with Frades Disposal, Inc. and Howland Disposal services, Inc. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

HOMECOMING DAY FAIR

Mr. Silvia abstained from the discussion and vote. The Board commended Myra and Curtis Lopes on their many years of dedication and services to this event making it successful each year and wished Mr. & Mrs. Dawicki continued success with this event in the future.

Mr. Murphy motioned to approve the date of June 27th for the Homecoming Day Fair. Dr. Bowcock seconded. Vote was 2 for and 1 abstained. Motion carried.

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the request by the Historical Society for the use of the auditorium on March 13th from 7-9:00 p. m. and to waive all fees. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

COMMON VICTUALER LICENSE

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve the Common Victualer License for Mermaids Seafood Restaurant & Grill, 15 Sarah's Way. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

2009 LICENSE RENEWALS

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve Car Repair License for Jiffy Lube. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve Common Victualer License for Subway, 20 Sconticut Neck Rd. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

The Board was made aware that two licenses still have to be renewed, Mazda & Fairhaven Getty. The problem has to do with Bldg. Dept. issues. The Board discussed that if the issues are not resolved a hearing will be held for non compliance.

APPOINTMENTS

CDBG 2009 Application – Public Hearing

Mr. Silvia opened the hearing at 7:00 p. m. Mr. Roth was present to explain the scope of the project and the funding. Discussion ensued.

Dr. Bowcock motioned the application of CDBG 2009. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Roth also requested that Mr. Silvia continue to be Environmental Certifying Officer, which Mr. Silvia agreed to serve. Dr. Bowcock motioned to appoint Mr. Silvia Environmental Certifying Officer. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

DRAFT AUDIT REPORT – EAST FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL PROJECT

Mr. Nunes, Finance Director, was present to explain that the \$400,000 would close the East Fairhaven School Project and that the Town received the maximum allowed by the State for the project. Discussion ensued. The Board stated that they were quite pleased with the way the project proceeded and managed to come in on time and on budget.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to sign the Audit Report. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

CAR REPAIR LICENSE

Sullivan Tire Co., Inc. has applied for a Car Repair License at 9 Plaza Way (K Mart Plaza), which would encompass oil changes, tire replacement, alignments, etc., everything except transmission repair and auto body work. The hours of operation would be Sunday – Saturday, 7:00 a. m. – 6:00 p. m. and tentatively opening sometime in April. Discussion ensued.

Dr. Bowcock motioned to approve a Car Repair License for Sullivan Tire Co., Inc. at 9 Plaza Way, operating hours 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun.-Sat. with compliance of all other departments. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS

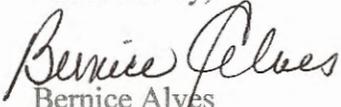
The Board expressed their condolences to the family of Pauline Amaral as to her recent passing.

Mr. Silvia mentioned his attendance at the MA Municipal Asso. Meeting in Boston and the Governor's discussion of future State funding and aid.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m., Dr. Bowcock motioned to go into executive session to discuss Police Dispatchers, future contract negotiations for other departments, Ms. Darwin's case and a letter from Joanne Rego and not reconvene in open session. Mr. Murphy seconded. Vote was unanimous.
Roll call vote 3-0.

Submitted by,


Bernice Alves
Principal Clerk