

MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2008
7:00 PM

Present: Selectmen – Suzanne McAuliffe, Jim Hoben, Bud Groskopf, Dr. William Marasco; Town Administrator – Robert C. Lawton Jr., Jerry Sullivan – absent.

Public

Peggy Hunter – St. Patrick’s Day Parade March 8, 2008

The St. Patrick’s Day Parade Committee members inform the Board about the parade including the hours as well as the parade route.

Bob Isadore

Mr. Isadore informs the Board about the poll workers. He believes that the poll workers need training. He reviews the findings from the Democratic Town Committee’s non-patrician study of the last election.

Ms. McAuliffe – Asks if the Board could get copies of the results of the study.

Cliff Carol

Mr. Carol – He informs the Board that there is an upcoming Minerals Management hearing on March 10th, 2008, at Mattacheese Middle School at 6:00p.m. with regards to the wind farm. He also updates the Board on recent issues with the wind farm, including the draft environmental impact statement.

Hearing

New All Alcoholic Common Victualler License for Bass River Grille @ the Bass River Golf Course

Ms. McAuliffe – She states that Bill Moran is present on behalf of the Bass River Grille and Jim Armentrout the director of the golf department is also present. She indicates that she will be running the hearing because Mr. Sullivan is absent. She informs the Board the hearing is for a transfer of a liquor license to Bill Moran for the concession stand at the Bass River Golf Course.

Mr. Moran – He speaks about his background in restaurants. He states that over the next few weeks they will overhaul the facility by cleaning as well as bringing in new equipment. He says that the biggest change is the rotation of the bar to view the water instead of the parking lot.

The Board asks various questions related to the seating at the bar and outdoor area.

Mr. Armentrout – Speaks about the hours of operation. He states the typical hours allow the bar to stay open an hour later than the closing of the course, unless there is an event or a tournament and then the hours may be extended pending approval of the golf department.

Ms. McAuliffe – She asks is there is any public comment. No one comes forward.

Mr. Groskopf – Motions to approve the transfer of the license. Mr. Hoben seconds.

VOTE 4-0 (Mr. Sullivan – absent)

Government Oversight Committee – Review of ATM Date Change

Members of the Government Oversight Committee are present to discuss the ATM date change.

Charlotte Striebel – She introduces the Committee. She indicates that the Committee voted to recommend to the Selectmen that the ATM date be changed to the first Tuesday in May with the election to be held on the second Tuesday of May. She states that this date change would result in the Yarmouth ATM held on the same day as the Town of Dennis therefore the Committee proposes to open Town Meeting on the first Monday in May. She says the purpose of the change is to allow for more residents in the Town will be back on the Cape for the summer season, as well trying to allow for less time between Town Meeting and the election.

Ms. McAuliffe – She asks Ms. Striebel to clarify if the date change is to be for the first Monday in May or the first Tuesday in May.

Ms. Striebel – She states that if the was going to be a problem with the School Committee being at both the Dennis and Yarmouth Town Meetings that the Government Oversight Committee is not opposed to having ATM be on the first Monday in May.

Dr. Marasco – He speaks about the benefits of having more voters at ATM.

Ms. Striebel – She states that the Committee has asked several towns what their process is with regards to ATM dates. She indicates that only Provincetown and Yarmouth have their ATM in April every other town on the Cape has their ATM in May.

Mr. Hoben – He also states that the Town should do more advertising in order to draw a larger crowd to Town Meeting.

Ms. McAuliffe – She tells the Committee that the Selectmen would like to put the date change on the warrant for the first Monday in May with the election on the second Tuesday in May.

Mr. Groskopf – He motions to amend the warrant article date as indicated above. Dr. Marasco seconds.
VOTE 4-0 (Mr. Sullivan absent)

2008 ATM Article Recommendations

Mr. Lawton – He informs the Selectmen of the articles that the Board still needs to make recommendations on. The Selectmen agree to remove the estimated water receipts article from the warrant.

A discussion takes place between the Board, with regards to recommending specific articles for the warrant.

Selectmen's Items:

Minutes Approval dtd 12-04-2007 and 12-18-2007

Mr. Hoben – Moves the minutes with amended changes. Second. **VOTE 4-0**
(Mr. Sullivan absent)

Town Administrator Items

Mr. Lawton – He speaks about what is on the consent agenda.

Dr. Marasco – Motions to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Hoben seconds. **VOTE 4-0** (Mr. Sullivan Absent)

Mr. Lawton – He speaks to the Selectmen about scheduling the interviews for Police Chief. He also states to the Board that Mona Solmonte the Executive Assistant to George Allaire came up with an idea to use the senior citizen volunteers for the tax work-off program to survey the town in order to reduce the number of street lights as a cost saving measure.

Mr. Groskopf – He states that “Tell it to Bud Time” will be moved back to Thursday, March, 13th at 1:00p.m. at the Senior Center.

Mr. Hoben – He informs the Board that the second annual housing summit will be taking place on Thursday, March 6th, at 5:30p.m. at the Moose Lodge and a spaghetti dinner will also be provided.

Ms. McAuliffe – She informs the Board that the Cape Cod Commission will be meeting in the hearing room on February 27th at 5:30p.m. to discuss land use mapping.

Adjourn

Ms. McAuliffe – Calls for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Hoben – Motions to adjourn. Mr. Groskopf seconds. **VOTE 4-0** (Mr. Sullivan absent)

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:49 p.m.

**BOARD OF SELEMEN'S REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2008
CONSENT AGENDA**

Donations made to the Police Department:

1. 1-25-08 Town of Dedham	\$270.00
2. 2-01-08 City of Springfield	\$135.00
3, 1-18-08 Town of Holbrook	\$150.00
4. 2-01-08 Town of Sandwich	\$270.00
5. 2-05-08 U.S. Dept of Interior National Park Service	<u>\$135.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$960.00</u>

**Additional Donations made to the Police Department
from Cape Cod Chapter of Mass Association of Insurance Women, Inc.**

\$ 50.00

Additional Donations made to the Police Department

2-26-08 Town of Hull	\$405.00
2-26-08 Town of Middleborough	<u>\$405.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$810.00</u>

**Donation made to Natural Resources for Animal Control
Department by IFAW**

50.00

Donations made to the Fire Department:

Gifts	\$100.00
Donation OE ANON Meeting room Station II	<u>\$100.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$200.00</u>

DATE: February 26, 2008

APPROVED: 4-0 (Mr. Sullivan absent)