

Draft Chilmark Board of Selectmen July 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Present: Chairman Jonathan Mayhew, Warren Doty, Bill Rossi, Tim Carroll, Jonathan Revere, Jonathan Klaren, Joan Malkin, Lenny Jason Jr., Pam Bunker, Ann Smith, Nancy Gardella, Christine Flynn, Dr. James Weiss, Chuck Hodgkinson, Dennis Jason, Trevor Maciel, Kristen Palma and Remy Tumin.

Minutes:

Draft minutes from Board of Selectmen's June 19, 2012 meeting were reviewed, an amendment was made. Mr. Rossi moved to approve the minutes as amended, Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Arts of Martha's Vineyard:

Ann Smith the Executive Director of Featherstone Center for the Arts presented "fall for the arts" an Arts MV event scheduled for October 2012. Nancy Gardella Director of the MV Chamber of Commerce and Christine Flynn the Director of Community Development of Martha's Vineyard Commission are collaborating with island artists to extend the shoulder season.

Ms. Smith said that 4% of the islands economy is from arts & culture, 10% if you include interior design. Ms. Smith hopes that this collaboration to extend the season will boost the numbers more. Locally in Chilmark the Yard will be participating in the "fall for the arts". Ms. Smith said that Arts MV will be updating the progress of "fall for the arts" for interested parties to learn more and to participate.

Chairman Mayhew thanked Ms. Smith, Ms. Gardella and Ms. Flynn for their presentation.

Up Island Regional School District Committee:

Mr. Doty recommended appointing Robert Lionette as the Chilmark's representative on the UIRSDC. Mr. Lionette would be fulfilling the term for the next three years. Mr. Rossi said he was very pleased with both Melissa Moore and Robert Lionette applications and ultimately chose Mr. Lionette because he has children at the Chilmark School. Mr. Doty moved to appoint Mr. Lionette to the UPRSDC. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

The Rotary Club of Martha's Vineyard

The Rotary Club of Martha's Vineyard requests the use of the Community Center on Sunday October 14, 2012. Mr. Carroll said they would like to use the facility as an aid station for their annual fundraiser, 2012 Bike Tour of Martha's Vineyard.

Mr. Doty moved to approve the request by the Rotary Club of MV. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Target Cancer Fundraiser:

Kristen Palma is present to request permission and collaborate with the Town of Chilmark in an event she is planning with Chris Fischer at Beetlebung Farm. This fundraiser will be a food and music event this August 5, 2012.

Target Cancer Fundraiser continued:

Ms. Palma explained that her husband founded Target Cancer before he died of a rare cancer. Ms. Palma and her brother Paul Poth run Target Cancer to help fund research for rare cancers like cholangiocarcinoma.

Mr. Doty requested that the event be limited to 200 persons.
Sgt Klaren of the Chilmark police department offered police support if needed.

Mr. Doty moved to endorse this fundraiser for Target Cancer on August 5, 2012 with the approval of the board of health for the food service. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Conservation Commission:

Joan Malkin was present to introduce herself and ask that the Selectmen appoint her to the Conservation Commission. Mr. Hodgkinson said that the position Ms. Malkin would be to fill the remainder of Richard Steves's term.

Mr. Rossi moved to appoint Ms. Malkin to the seat on the Conservation Commission expiring May 2013.

Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Appointments:

Mr. Carroll said that the Police Chief and Highway Superintendent positions were inadvertently left off the appointment list and asked that Brian Cioffi be appointed Police Chief and Keith Emin be appointed Highway Superintendent.

Mr. Rossi moved both appointments. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Chairman Mayhew asked Mr. Carroll to be the Chilmark representative on the Martha's Vineyard Commission. This appointment would be through December 31, 2012.

Mr. Mayhew moved to appoint Mr. Carroll the Chilmark Selectmen's Representative on the Martha's Vineyard Commission. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Squibnocket Beach

Squibnocket Beach parking lot repairs were completed by John Keene Excavation on June 27th. Mr. Rossi said that Keene Excavation did a great job. Mr. Carroll said he did not receive a single complaint while the road was closed for the repairs.

Mr. Doty moved to authorize payment of the bill submitted by Keene Excavation in the amount of \$5,800.00. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Pasture Road Association:

Chairman Mayhew asked Bill Rossi to attend the Pasture Road Association meeting as representative of the town of Chilmark. Mr. Rossi said he would be happy to do so. Mr. Carroll said he would supply Mr. Rossi with the agreement. Mr. Carroll had a bill from the association

asking that the town pay \$1,685.00 to DECA for more work that was needed and done to the road in FY12.

Mr. Doty recommended Mr. Rossi authorize paying this bill if he finds it appropriate after this next association meeting.

Special Town Meeting:

The STM is scheduled for August 6, 2012 at 8:00 pm. The warrant will have two articles. Mr. Doty began discussion of Article one which he read: To see if the town will vote to approve Menemsha Harbor projects funded by the Commonwealth known as Phase Three. Such plan being on file in the office of the Town Clerk. Mr. Doty said this is very general and there will be debate about the structure of the docks. Mr. Carroll said it's very general for the posting but there is another Selectmen's meeting scheduled prior to the STM to be able to finalize the plan.

Mr. Rossi recommended that the Selectmen use the plan suggested by the Harbor Advisory Board but adding wooden planking on top of the concrete floating dock.

Harbor Master Dennis Jason spoke about the numerous injuries each year that happen on the fixed dock. Mr. Jason endorses the concrete floating dock plan. Mr. Jason said he took a survey of the boaters who were in the harbor over this past week and the consensus is a preference of a floating dock. Mr. Jason said that the material of a concrete dock is safer; fire damage would be minimal if any.

Mr. Hodgkinson said that Bellingham Marine could supply Eppi mahogany wood planking on top of the concrete dock at cost of \$3.00 a square foot. That is approximately \$5,000.00 - \$6,000.00.

Chairman Mayhew said the Selectmen's office has received a letter from Debbie Hancock against having concrete floating dock; she is supporting Marshall Carroll's opinion of rebuilding dock as is.

Mr. Jason spoke of his concerns of covering the concrete with decking for esthetic reasons when concrete is a non skid material. Chairman Mayhew agreed.

Mr. Doty summarized that there will be a single plan that the STM will be approved, disapproved or withdrawn. Mr. Doty moved to approve wording of article one as written. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to approve the following request of the Community Prevention Committee: to see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Housing Reserve Fund the sum of \$75,000.00 to continue funding of the Chilmark Housing Year-Round Rental Conversion Program, managed by the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority.

Mr. Rossi said he would abstain from discussion and motion of this article as he receives money from a tenant who receives some funding.

Article 2 Continued...

Mr. Doty moved to approve the wording as written for article two. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 2 Ayes, 1 Abstention (William Rossi)**

Harbor:

Harbor Master reported to the Selectmen that the channel makers are now back on station in Menemsha Pond. Mr. Jason said a piling has been replaced near the south end of the floating dock that was new last year. It was damaged somehow, possibly a boat hitting it very hard. He did not know the cause, but saw to its replacement.

Mr. Jason said he would like to bring everyone's attention to Assistant Wharfinger Trevor Maciel and commend him for his quick action at preventing a potentially devastating accident to a boater in Menemsha Harbor on July 1, 2012. Trevor Maciel is a newly hired staff member. At this time Chairman Mayhew presented Trevor Maciel with a commendation signed by all three Selectmen praising his quick action in preventing a serious injury on the harbor.

MIIA Insurance Credits:

Mr. Carroll explained that the Town insurance provider MIIA offers credit towards insurance cost. The Town employees attended some of the courses and the Town of Chilmark has received \$2,000.00 credit but it could be as much as \$4,000.00 if all departments participate in training for this coming year. He asked the Selectmen to reconfirm their request to all departments to participate in the MIIA Rewards Program. The Selectmen agreed.

Board of Assessors Temporary Hire:

Mr. Carroll asked that the Selectmen appoint Samantha Bunker as a temporary clerical assistant. Mr. Doty moved to appoint Samantha Bunker as a temporary clerical assistant. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Buy Back Time, Assistant Assessor:

Mr. Carroll reported that Pam Bunker had earned 39.43 hours of compensatory time that she felt she would be unable to use and was requesting that the Town buy-back at this time. Mrs. Bunker had been required to spend an inordinate amount of extra time during this year's Triennial Revaluation of property values and then responding to Mass. DOR requests for additional information over a number of months.

Mr. Doty moved to approve to buy back time from Pam Bunker. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Mr. Carroll asked that his concern that it was not a good idea to spend a warrant article for salaries go on record. There was discussion. Mr. Doty moved and Mr. Rossi seconded a motion to pay out of the budget. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Ken Iscol Complaint letter to Building Inspector and Board of Appeals:

Chairman Mayhew spoke of a letter that Mr. Iscol sent to the Board of Appeals asking that the Building inspector not grant the Zoia's a certificate of occupancy. Mr. Jason said that if the building code is satisfied he will not deny a CO. He also said that CO has not yet been requested.

Mr. Rossi said that there is a ZBA hearing scheduled for July 25, 2012 that will address this complaint. Mr. Rossi said that our Zoning bylaws are antiquated. Mr. Jason agreed and said that the town should have a special permit process to work within the rules.

At 9:10 pm Chairman Mayhew moved to adjourn. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Draft minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase.