

**MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOVEMBER 13, 2008**

Present: Linell Grundman, John Kennan, Frank Pannorfi, Randal Hunt, Dana Barrette  
George Dunham, Douglas Lapp, SACAT, Sandwich Enterprise, Upper Cape Codder,  
John Tzimirangas, John Theriault, Tom Keyes, Carl Johansen, Bill Carig, Shawn  
Murray, Barbara Lewis, students of High School Civics Class

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Grundman acknowledged Veterans' Day.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Mr. Kennan moved the minutes of October 30, 2008. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Mr. Hunt abstained. Motion passes 4 ayes to 1 abstention.**

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

- The next tri-Board meeting is scheduled for November 29, 7:00 p.m. at the High School.
- An agreement has been reached with the Town Hall Historic Preservation Architect, McGinley Kalsow and Associates, LLP. Preliminary work has already begun.
- The Local Comprehensive Plan, supported by the Planning Board. was sent to the Cape Cod Commission Planning Committee. The hearing will be conducted by the Commission on January 5.

**CORRESPONDENCE/STATEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mr. Kennan attended an Eagle Scout Ceremony for Kevin McAuliffe and noted that this is quite an achievement.
- Ms. Grundman announced that the Sandwich Chamber Holly Days begins November 28 and North Pole Express tickets are on sale.
- The Cape & Island Selectmen's meeting is Friday, November 14 at the Cape Cod Community College.
- The public comment period for the cable ascertainment hearing has passed and no additional comments were received.
- Mr. Hunt announced the new SACAT cable studio is close to completion. They are hoping to have a "painting party" and will be announcing it on the SACAT scroll once the date is determined.

- The Patrons for Performing Students performance of *The Crucible* is November 21, 22 and 23 at the Grange Hall.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

- Shawn Murray spoke about last week’s public forum and parliamentary rules. Mr. Johansen and Bill Carig spoke about the legal procedures followed regarding the fire station citizens petition. Mr. Johansen asked that his comments be added to the permanent record (attached). Barbara Lewis spoke about the citizens’ petition and Town Meeting vote.

### **STAFF MEETING**

#### **ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES REPRESENTATIVE TOM KEYES**

Mr. Keyes gave an update on Assembly issues, the Regional Policy Plan, and the County budget. Mr. Keyes stated he needs to vote on the Regional Policy Plan and would like additional input from the citizens of Sandwich.

#### **GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE – UPDATE ON RECENT ACTIVITIES**

GAC Chair John Tziorangas and John Theriault gave a brief history of the Committee and noted that they are looking for a new member. They discussed on-going projects for the Golf Department including the ADA improvements to the clubhouse and the Business Plan RFP. Mr. Tziorangas also discussed how they are “looking out of the box” for ways to increase the revenue at the course, including possibly offering a play and stay combination package utilizing the cottages at Oak Crest Cove, potential field usage, and energy efficiency options. Mr. Pannorfi said he is impressed with their creative thoughts and mentioned he would like to see lighting improvements in the clubhouse. Ms. Grundman mentioned performance contracting for energy costs and Mr. Tziorangas briefly responded.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- The Board discussed the citizens’ petition and Town Meeting vote on the East Sandwich Fire Station. They also discussed Mr. Johansen’s comments that the Finance Committee should have made a recommendation on any financial articles, including petition articles. The Board would like clarification on this. They also discussed Town Council’s opinion letter on the vote, as well as the financial implications. Mr. Hunt has heard there is “a movement” for another citizens petition to re-vote the East Sandwich Fire Station article. Mr. Dunham gave different scenarios of what would happen to the money depending on if the tax rate has been certified if there is a second vote.
- Mr. Dunham noted that the Charter has not been signed off by the Legislature yet.

- Each Board member will prioritize their goals and objectives and give them to Mr. Dunham to collate.
- Mr. Pannorfi discussed a meeting he attended on Wednesday regarding the Textron settlement.
- The Board discussed the Strategic Plan weekend. Mr. Barrette would like to see an outside facilitator to run the workshops. Mr. Dunham said a lot of work has been done and can be part of the workshop including the long-range plan, the executive summary of the LCP and budget information.
- Ms. Grundman mentioned having the group that gave a presentation on Performance Contracting to the School Department make the presentation to the Selectmen. Mr. Lapp stated that it might be better to have someone come in from the State to do an overview of the process, not the group that appeared before the School. The group, Ms. Grundman referred to, is in the business and has a “product” to sell so it would be better to hear about it from a neutral party.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

- Mr. Carl Johansen spoke about the public forum process and feels there should be more interaction between the Board and the speaker. The Board addressed Mr. Johansen’s comments by stating there needs to be a balance between public forum and getting the town business done. Mr. Dunham noted that often times public hearings and pre-scheduled agenda items have been put off because of lengthy public forums and the business meeting needs to come first. Mr. Barrette said the School Committee’s public forum is limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Mr. Kennan suggested the first public forum be related to agenda items only and the second can be on other items.
- Bill Carig spoke about the use of free cash. He also mentioned what would happen if the Town were to lose Mirant. Mr. Dunham said the Town has been keeping abreast of the issue and has been in discussions with Mirant.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

10:30 p.m. **Mr. Pannorfi moved to adjourn. Mr. Barrette seconded. Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Coggeshall