

MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN JUNE 12, 2008

Present: Linell M. Grundman, John Kennan, Frank Pannorfi, Randal Hunt, Dana Barrette

George Dunham, Douglas Lapp, SACAT, Sandwich Enterprise, Cape Cod Times, Upper Cape Codder, Jim Voelxen, Sarah Murray, Cable Advisory Committee, Mary O’Keeffe, Comcast Government Relations Manager



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Mr. Kennan moved the minutes of May 15, 2008 as presented. Mr. Barrette seconded. Unanimous.**
- **Mr. Kennan moved the minutes of May 22, 2008 as presented. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**

CORRESPONDENCE/STATEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Mr. Pannorfi was present at the recent Planning and Development Director interviews and was very pleased with the candidates.
2. Ms. Grundman announced the Farmer’s Market will begin on Tuesday, June 7, 2:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Oakcrest Cove field and will continue every Tuesday through the summer.
3. Ms. Grundman congratulated the graduates of the Upper Cape Cod Vocational Technical School (UCCRVTs). On June 1, 34 Sandwich students graduated.
4. The Cape Cod Commission is holding a hearing on the Regional Policy Plan on Wednesday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the UCCRVTs. The report is available on the Commission website.
5. Renewable Energy Collaborative is hosting a forum at the Cape Cod Community College on Global Change, Regional Impacts, Local Responses on June 19. At 7:00, the formal program will begin with a presentation by Dr. Frumhoff on "Confronting Climate Change on Cape Cod and in New England."
6. A conference sponsored by the Barnstable County Human Rights Commission and Mass Commission Against Discrimination will be held June 19, at the Federation Church on Main Street in Hyannis 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
7. The Sandwich Housing Authority announced they have 3 vacancies available for congregate care housing. Information can be obtained by contacting Lorrie Finton at the Housing Authority.

8. The Barnstable County Human Rights Commission is sponsoring a “No Place for Hate” community informational coffee on Tuesday June, 24; 10:00 a.m. at St. John’s Church.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT

1. The Board of Selectmen will meet next Thursday at 6:00 in Executive Session with the regularly scheduled meeting to follow at 7:00; the Finance Committee has a meeting tentatively scheduled for June 24 at the Library;
2. The Town’s website has been updated and the “switch over” to the new site should be this weekend.
3. The Council on Aging reminds seniors of the Tax Credit Program, which allows seniors to receive a \$500 tax credit by working a specified number of hours in a Town department.
4. The bid has been awarded for the reconstruction of the boardwalk steps and the work should begin shortly.
5. It appears there may be a “snag” in the IMA for the solid waste transfer station. Falmouth has raised some issues, however, the services will be not be affected.
6. The Freezer Plant has finally been taken down.
7. The RFP has been issued for the Shawme Pond dam. Bids are due July 11.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

STAFF MEETING – Committee Appointments

1. Jim Voelxen has expressed interest in serving as an alternate to the Cape Light Compact. He briefly discussed his background. **Mr. Kennan moved to appoint James A. Voelxen at alternate to the Cape Light Compact through June 30, 2009. Mr. Barrette seconded. Unanimous.**
2. Sarah Murray was also present and expressed her interest in serving on the Energy Committee. **Mr. Kennan moved to appoint Sarah Murray to the Sandwich Energy Committee through June 30, 2009. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**

PUBLIC ASCERTAINMENT HEARING

Mr. Kennan moved to open the Cable TV Ascertainment Hearing. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.

Comcast Cable did a full transcript of the hearing. The transcript is entitled “Sandwich Ascertainment Hearing Transcript – June 12, 2008” dated June 30, 2008.

Additional public comment will be accepted by the Selectmen’s Office through June 26, 2008 by 4:30 p.m. **Mr. Pannorfi moved to suspend the ascertainment hearing through June 26, 2008. Mr. Kennan seconded. Unanimous.**

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mr. Dunham gave an update on the Town Neck Beach piping plover issue. He presented the Board with draft Beach Rules and Regulations. The Board discussed the draft, as well as enforcement issues. **Mr. Kennan moved to authorize the Town Manager to find funds up to \$10,000 from sources to be identified to begin enforcement program by July 4 on Town Neck Beach. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**
2. Ms. Grundman discussed setting up the summer Long Range Plan schedule to include three tri-Board (Finance, School, Selectmen) meetings.
3. John Kennan agreed to be the Board representative to the Covenant Steering Committee.
4. Ms. Grundman will be the Board representative to the Community Preservation Committee and Mr. Kennan will be the alternate.
5. Mr. Pannorfi said the Town of Falmouth sent a request to Sandwich seeking interest in sitting in on discussions regarding the Regional Wastewater Management Plan. WQAC also expressed interested in being involved in the discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Mr. Pannorfi moved to appoint Susan James to the Golf Advisory Committee through June 30, 2009. Mr. Hunt seconded. Unanimous.**
2. Board of Health Agent Dave Mason is interested in serving as the Governor’s Appointee to the Sandwich Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Due to his capacity as Health Agent he is required to receive approval by the Board of Selectmen for an exemption, which allows his participation as a Special Municipal Employee. **Mr. Kennan moved to approve exemption for Dave Mason as required by GL.C. 268A, §20C and §20D. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**
3. In light of request for use of the Oakcrest Cove field for a farmer’s market, Town Counsel has drafted a License Agreement for future groups that approach the Town for use of the field. Mr. Dunham will have the authorization to sign the Agreement. If the request could potentially be controversial, then the request will be brought to the Board.
4. The Board asked about the use of the Oakcrest cove facilities. Mr. Dunham explained the lodge is closed, however, there is full access to the beach facilities.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

Mr. Pannorfi moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation Strategy and contract negotiations and reconvening for the purpose of adjournment only. Mr. Barrette seconded. Mr. Barrette, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Pannorfi, Mr. Kennan, Ms. Grundman so moved. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Coggeshall