

MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN FEBRUARY 19, 2009
Human Services Building, Quaker Meetinghouse Road
7:00 p.m.

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

Douglas Lapp, SACAT, Sandwich Broadsider, Sandwich Enterprise, Craig Mayen,
Wendy Kiedeisch, Carl Johansen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No minutes were presented for approval.

ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Mr. Lapp announced that Booster Bar and Grill withdrew their appeal to the ABCC. Once the withdrawal has been confirmed with the ABCC, the Board will need to impose the two-day penalty at a future meeting.
2. Invitations to bid have been sent out for improvements to the Moody Drive drainage. This is one more project that compliments the efforts being done to get the shellfish beds open.
3. The Town Hall renovation project manager and architect are tentatively scheduled to come in early March to give a thorough presentation on the project.
4. The informational meeting regarding performance contracting will be scheduled at a time also convenient for people from the School Department as they are the largest energy users.
5. Mr. Dunham was able to include the High School track project as part of the new federal stimulus package. \$3.3 million for the stadium was requested.
6. Mr. Barrette and Ms. Grundman said they would like to see what temporarily moving departments from the Town Hall during the renovations will be, as well as the other ancillary costs and where that money will come from.

CORRESPONDENCE/STATEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Mr. Kennan announced the Tri-Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 24 will be at 16 Jan Sebastian Drive.
2. Mr. Hunt said the SEIC forum held several weeks ago will be run on SACAT's, Channel 15, this Saturday.
3. Ms. Grundman and Mr. Kennan attended a Community Action Committee meeting with the entire Cape delegation geared towards budgets and human

services. Ms. Grundman also noted Senator Murray's letter in the *Cape Cod Times* stating she is in favor of reforms not raising taxes.

PUBLIC FORUM

Carl Johansen read a statement into the record regarding the use of Oak Crest Cove.

STAFF MEETING – TOWN TREASURER – Craig Mayen

Mr. Lapp explained Mr. Mayen is present to get the Board's signatures on a note for the initial "soft" costs for the Town Hall Renovations. The initial borrowing totaled \$100,000 for architect design fees and this note is for the remaining \$200,000 of the initial costs. Once the full project is borrowed, the temporary borrowing will be rolled into the larger bond. Mr. Mayen said \$90,000 has been spent to date. Mr. Lapp said there are no bills pending but the project manager and architect have been hired and a contract signed. Mr. Barrette said he would not vote on anything until he understands what the total cost of the project will be, including costs to move the staff temporarily. Ms. Grundman said they would wait on signing the temporary bonds until they see the presentation. Mr. Pannorfi does not agree since he said the Board is obligated since the contracts have been signed. Mr. Pannorfi said the increases in the estimates have changed due to things found when the professional architect was hired. He also said that they hope to put the project out to bid in Mid-March which will give a final cost for the project prior to Town Meeting. Mr. Barrette said a 50% cost increase is a huge miss and do not want to have to go back to Town Meeting for more money in the future. Mr. Pannorfi said the bid results will avoid that.

APPOINTMENT TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Ms. Wendy Kiedeisch was present and introduced herself. Ms. Kiedeisch has a background in environmental planning. **Mr. Kennan moved to appoint Wendy Kiedeisch as an associate member to the Conservation Commission through June 30, 2009. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**

OLD BUISNESS

1. The Board reviewed and approved the letter supporting the Cape Reliability Bill.
2. Mr. Lapp reviewed the budget updates with the Board. The Board would like Departments to come in to discuss their capital requests. Mr. Pannorfi disagrees with using the \$1.2 million received from the tax title property auction for the general budget since the Board promised it would be used for capital items. Mr. Hunt said the problem is where would \$1.2 million come from to balance the budget? Mr. Hunt also felt vehicle excise will be down, and Mr. Mayen previously mentioned investment income will be down as well. Mr. Pannorfi discussed the ambulance fund and possibly using more from that fund for the operating budget. The Board questioned the vehicle purchases on the capital list. Mr. Hunt noted that the difference is \$350,000 between a 3% and 2% budget. Mr.

Pannorfi said at least some of the \$1.2 from the tax title property sale should go into stabilization. Mr. Dunham has suggested that the School Department come up with a portion of the 9C cuts, however, the School Department doubts it will have any funds to turn back in. There is a tri-Board meeting on February 24th and the Board hopes all present will be in agreement will be on the same page regarding the budget.

3. Mr. Kennan mentioned that the EDC is working on revisions to the sign code bylaw.

NEW BUSINESS

Vocational Technical School Superintendent Kevin Farr invited the Board to a district meeting for Selectmen on Monday, March 2, at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

ADJOURNMENT

8:50 p.m. **Mr. Kennan moved to adjourn. Mr. Pannorfi seconded. Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Coggeshall