

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY – JANUARY 25, 2010

LARKIN HALL

Chairman Michele Couture convened the meeting at 6:00 PM noting the following Board of Selectmen attending: Michele Couture, David Bedard, Mary-Jo Avellar, Austin Knight, and Elaine Anderson

Other attendees: Town Manager Sharon Lynn, Assistant Town Manager David Gardner

Recorder: Vernon G. Porter

The following are meeting minutes, in brief:

1A PUBLIC HEARING: TAX RATE CLASSIFICATION

FY 2010 Property Tax Rate

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to waive the reading of the Public Hearing.*

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Second By**: Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote, pursuant to MGL C.40,§56, as follows relative to the FY 2010 property tax:*

1. to establish a residential factor of "1"

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Second By**: David Bedard Yea 5 Nay 0

2. not to adopt a "residential exemption".

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Second By**: Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

3. not to adopt a "small business exemption".

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Second By**: Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

4. to identify \$175,622 or more in unused property tax levy capacity.

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Second By**: David Bedard Yea 5 Nay 0

1B DUNE SHACKS – Dr. Janet Whelan

Dr. Whelan gave a brief history of the Dune Shacks, and handed out information on Peaked Hill Trust (See attachment #1).

2. PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Dan Towler – Looking for people to sign up for census taking. Brochures are available around town, and also a toll free number 866-861-2010 for people to call for employment.

Cheryl Andrews – 1) Update on Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative, structure on Collaborative will remain the same. 2) Housing Authority supports Noah Taylor to fill the vacancy until the May election.

3. SELECTMEN STATEMENTS

Elaine Anderson – None David Bedard – None Mary-Jo Avellar - None

Austin Knight

Would like the details on the cost of return to compliance.

At MMA this past weekend, Governor Patrick indicated that Chapter 70 would be level funded.

Michele Couture

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to send a thank you letter to Carol Pugliese upon her retirement from the Cable Advisor Commission.*

Motion by: Michele Couture **Seconded by:** Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to send a thank you letter to Fred Biddle upon his retirement from the Finance Committee.*

Motion by: Michele Couture **Seconded by:** Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

4A BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Scott Powell as a Regular Member of the Recycling and Renewable Energy Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2012.*

Motion by: Elaine Anderson **Seconded by:** Mary-Jo Avellar Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Damon Leard as a Regular Member of the Recycling and Renewable Energy Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2012.*

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Seconded by:** Elaine Anderson Yea 5 Nay 0

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Noah Taylor as a Regular Member of the Provincetown Housing Authority with a term to expire on May 2010, Town Election, or until his successor is chosen or qualified.*

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Seconded by:** Elaine Anderson Yea 5 Nay 0

5A HARBOR ACCESS GIFT FUND

Beach Cleaning Notice of Intent

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the request of the Harbor Committee to appropriate \$2,450 from the Harbor Access Gift Fund for the revised "Notice of Intent" to the Woods Hole Group for the work required to clean up the Beach Point area; and further that the Harbor Committee advise the Shellfish Constable prior to going before the Conservation Committee.*

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Seconded by:** Elaine Anderson Yea 5 Nay 0

5B GRANT AGREEMENT PHA 33 COURT STREET

Community Housing Committee and Community Housing Specialist

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to authorize the grant agreement with the Provincetown Housing Authority for \$20,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the rehabilitation of 33 Court Street as approved by the Community Housing Council on January 12, 2010.*

Motion by: Elaine Anderson **Seconded by:** Mary-Jo Avellar Yea 5 Nay 0

5C REGIONAL MCDBG GRANT APPLICATION

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to authorize participation in a regional Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant Community Development Fund Application with the Town of Wellfleet for a grant of approximately \$750,000 for a housing rehabilitation program and a childcare subsidy program through the Massachusetts Department of Housing & Community Development.*

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar **Seconded by:** Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

5D PURCHASE & SALES AGREEMENT

Suzanne's Garden – 608 Commercial Street

MOTION: Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to sign and execute a purchase and sales agreement with Jonathan Sinaiko for the purchase of the property located at 608 Commercial Street, also known as Suzanne's Garden, as authorized by the April, 2009 ATM.

Motion by: Austin Knight Seconded by: Mary-Jo Avellar Yea 5 Nay 0

6A PAMET LENS OVERSIGHT GROUP - UPDATE

No additional comments other than what is in the report attached to the agenda item.

6B TOWN MANAGER'S – BUDGET #123 & 240

MOTION: Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to rescind previous Budget 240 and approve Inspections in the amount of \$18,025 thereby bringing the total budget to \$157,002.00.

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar Seconded by: Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

Approve an increase of line item 52702 in Budget 123 – Miscellaneous Travel by \$50 per month for a total of \$4600 in Miscellaneous Travel.

Also in Budget 123 - Conventions & Seminars - line item 52071 add \$500 to send Assistant Town Manager David Gardner to the 2011 MMA Convention.

MOTION: Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to the above changes thereby bringing the total 123 budget to \$258,102.

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar Seconded by: Austin Knight Yea 5 Nay 0

6C DOG FOUNTAIN UPDATE

MOTION: Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve Plan D.

Motion by: Mary-Jo Avellar Seconded by: Elaine Anderson Yea 5 Nay 0

6D TOWN MANAGER FOLLOW-UP

Wind Turbine – Private developer withdrew his bid. Maggie Downey would still like to have a conversation with Provincetown on this subject.

Set up meeting with Maggie Downey for Renewable Energy.

6E OTHER – Nothing at this time

7. CLOSING STATEMENTS

Mary-Jo Avellar – ConCom and DPW in other towns have arrangements to work with each other.

Michele Couture – Talked with Beth O'Rourke about PSA's for Town Boards, and you can talk to her whenever you want to have yours done.

Austin Knight - Discuss Representative to Cape Cod Commission at next meeting.

David Bedard – None **Elaine Anderson** - None

Motion to adjourn by Elaine Anderson at 8 PM

Minutes transcribed by: Vernon G. Porter, Secretary to Board of Selectmen
January 27, 2010