

# TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2009

### LARKIN HALL

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

Other attendees: Town Manager Sharon Lynn, Municipal Finance Director Alix Heilala

Recorder: Vernon Porter

The following are meeting minutes, in brief:

#### 1A PUBLIC HEARING – CURB CUT REQUEST – 9 CONANT STREET

Chairman Couture read the Public Hearing Notice into record.

Public in favor or against – None

**MOTION**: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote, pursuant to Provincetown General Bylaws Section 11-6-2, to*

*a) Approve the request of Yvonne J. Colligan to establish a curb cut at 9 Conant Street (Assessor's Map 07-2-017-0-R) (Res3 Zone).*

*b) A plan is provided showing the actual location of the proposed curb cut.*

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

#### 1B JOINT MEETING WITH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Rehab of Town Hall / Architect presentation of painting preparation of Town Hall and landscaping.

Historical Commission Members present: Eric Dray, Polly Burnell, and Stephen Milkewicz. Definitely want to see the outside stairs as part of the rehab.

Other attendees: Bill Meyers – Superintendent, and Clarence Whatmough – Clerk of the works and Mark Almeda.

Mark mentioned that the paint on the building is guaranteed for 15 years.

Austin Knight – wants a schedule of future maintenance so town can plan expenses, and also suggest we secure the figures needed for removal of trees for our June meeting.

Mary-Jo Avellar would like to reconsider using non-slip bricks. Current bricks are dangerous.

#### 1C ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL UPDATE

Provincetown Economic Development Council

Members present: Stephen Melamed, Michelle Jarusiewicz, Greg Howell, Bonnie Campbell, and Consultant Mr. Robert Leaver President and CEO of New Commons.

Michelle Jarusiewicz gave a brief overview on what the EDC has been doing, and what the future projects are.

Mr. Leaver mentioned that there are six sectors of the economy focus point for the future, broken up into two groups: Three for development i.e. 1) Health Assistance (Wellness, Assisted Living, and Health Care); 2) Water, Harbor, Fishing; 3) Arts, Culture, and Education. The three to keep focused on are: Construction, Tourism, and Knowledge and Information Economy. For the fall – run workshop for business community.

Next year – how to take Campus Provincetown to the next level, and the production of tourism indicators .. some key measures that tell the town how things are going with tourism.

Next joint meeting scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2009.

## 1D BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S RULES OF PROCEDURE

Adoption of Rules of Procedure

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to adopt their Rules of Procedure as previously amended and adopted on May 26, 2006.*

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

## 2. PUBLIC STATEMENTS

David Atkinson - Pollarding the trees at town hall would help save them, and would cost much less for the town than replacing them.

Sgt. Carrie Lopes – Here to speak tonight as your Civil Rights Officer, and to fill you in on the work being done on the hate crime that happened over the Memorial Day weekend. Everything has been forwarded to the District Attorney's office, the Attorney General's office, the Anti Defamation League, and to the No Place For Hate Committee New England. The ADL No Place For Hate Committee New England is suggesting that Provincetown hold a community response meeting as a result of the hate crime.

Barbara Rushmore - 1) Want Selectmen to write a letter re: Bike Path on Moors Road. 2) Trees in front of town hall – can have them prune now for less than a \$1K. 3) Need for regulations to protect trees in public ways instead of cutting them down.

## 3. SELECTMEN STATEMENTS

Austin Knight

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to support a Pubic Forum on No Place For Hate.*

**Motion by:** Austin Knight      **Seconded by:** Elaine Anderson      **Yea 5    Nay 0**

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to send a letter of support, by Town Staff, to the CCNS and the Department of the Interior for the Bike Trail.*

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

Trees at town hall should be saved as best as possible. If a pruning procedure will do that, then I will let town staff take care of that part of it.

We need to come up with a policy where we monitor water gallonage.

Request through Town Manager – May thru October – daily usage of water gallons.

Mary-Jo Avellar

Evaluation of our employees. – Schedule for end of month.

June 19, 2009 will be the first meeting of the newly reconstituted CCNS Advisory Commission. I received a call today that the North end of the parking lot at Herring Cove Beach - where everybody likes to go and watch the sunset – that when the Seashore bulldozed the sand, they didn't shore up the beachside, and there is a fear that the parking lot could be crumbling.

Report on the meeting for the Transportation Center meeting. Mr. Bedard attended on his own, and not a representative of the Board of Selectmen.

David Bedard - None at this time.

Elaine Anderson

Notice that our Parking Revenues are down, and hope that our citizens will support the automated parking station for Ryder Street at the Special Town Meeting, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Noticed that our water withdrawals are up this year for each month. That is a disturbing trend. So, we need

to put on our conservation hat, especially during the summer months.

A reminder that Lilly Tomlin is on her way in August, and I hope all will attend. This benefit will help our Pilgrim Bark Park. Please go out and look at this beautiful new park.

I attended a Lower Cape School Summit at the Orleans Town Hall on the Concept of Regionalization of Schools on the lower cape. There is going to be an Open Public Forum at the Nauset Middle School on June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 3, and they are very anxious to have input from the community. Everyone is welcomed.

**Michele Couture**

Congratulate the Town Manager, the Finance Director, and the Finance Department for an incredible achievement which will save the town (who knows how much money in the years to come) for receiving a higher grade in our Standard & Poor's Bond Rating, from an "A" with a positive outlook to an "AA" rating.

USDA Community Facilities Program – Ron Kuntz has identified approximately \$100-\$106K that Provincetown could potentially benefit for Town Hall, and this will be part of my discussions with him and DPW Director David Guertin tomorrow morning. He has been in contact with Mr. Guertin, and we plan to speak in length with him tomorrow morning about how we can secure this money for town hall. We will hear about the Mass Historic.

Mass Historic - \$100K will be out on Wednesday.

The VSB – Civic Plus is the new company taking over the VSB website as well as updating the town website. Will take around six months or more.

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to send a letter to Senator O’Leary asking him to support full funding for AmeriCorps.*

**Motion by:** Michele Couture      **Seconded by:** Mary-Jo Avellar      Yea 5    Nay 0

**4. APPOINTMENTS**

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Catherine Brouillet (Cathy Reno) as a Regular Member of the Community Housing Council with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Molly Perdue as the Housing Authority Representative on the Community Housing Council with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Char Priolo as a Regular Member of the Council on Aging with a term limit of December 31, 2010.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Gregory Howe as a Regular Member of the Economic Development Council with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Stephen Melamed as a Regular Member of the Economic Development Council with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Melville Cote as a Regular Member of the Harbor Committee with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*

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

**MOTION:** *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appoint Martin Huey as a Regular Member of the Harbor Committee with a term limit of June 29, 2012.*



Motion by: David Bedard

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

**5F BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE #1074**

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to rollover Bond Anticipation Note #1073 due June 15, 2009 into Bond Anticipation Note #1074 in the amount of \$6,220,000.00 dated June 15, 2009 at 1.9% (\$3,237.80) interest payable at maturity to Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank on June 25, 2009.

Motion by: David Bedard

Seconded by: Elaine Anderson

Yea 4 Nay 0

**6A PAMET LENS OVERSIGHT GROUP – UPDATE** - Meeting cancelled. No report.

**6B TOWN MANAGER FOLLOW UP**

Skate Park painting will be done next Tuesday, June 16, 2009 from 3 to 5 PM and supervised by Mr. Motta.

**6C OTHER** - None at this time.

**7. MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETINGS**

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the minutes of May 11, 2009 (Regular Mtg.) as printed.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the minutes of May 18, 2009 (Special Mtg.) as printed.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the minutes of May 21, 2009 (Special Mtg.) as printed.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the minutes of May 26, 2009 (Regular Mtg.) as printed.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the minutes of June 1, 2009 (Special Mtg.) as printed.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: Austin Knight

Yea 4 Nay 0

**8. CLOSING STATEMENTS**

Austin Knight - None

David Bedard - None

Elaine Anderson

***MOTION:*** Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to send a letter of congratulations to Conservation Agent Brian Carlson upon the town being awarded \$2000 toward the purchase of a desktop computer by the Norcross Wildlife Foundation, Inc., Wales, MA.

Motion by: Elaine Anderson

Seconded by: David Bedard

Yea 4 Nay 0

Michele Couture – Have Town Counsel visit to do workshop for Zoning Board of Appeals

Motion to adjourn by Elaine Anderson at 9:30 PM

Minutes transcribed by: Vernon G. Porter, Secretary to Board of Selectmen  
June 29, 2009