

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 2 January 2008 at 6:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Town and County Building, 16 Broad Street, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Patricia Roggeveen, Whiting Willauer, Allen Reinhard and Michael Kopko. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Willauer noted the Nantucket Angler's Club will be hosting a free boating safety course given by the Coast Guard for children between the ages of 12 and 16, next weekend from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nantucket resident John McLaughlin provided comments on the following topics: support for a gasification facility; need for brushcutting and repairs by the DPW at certain locations around town; committee appointments; town budgetary issues, and the VFW building.

Attorney Steven Cohen, representing Myles Reis Trucking, spoke about an on-going site assignment hearing before the Board of Health; Waste Options of Nantucket; and, the feasibility of a gasification facility.

Approval of Minutes of 12 December 2007 at 6:00 PM; 19 December 2007 at 6:00 PM. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent of the meeting.

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 30 December 2007. The payroll warrant was approved by unanimous consent of the meeting.

Approval of Treasury Warrant and Pending Contracts for 02 January 2008. The treasury warrant and pending contracts were approved by unanimous consent of the meeting.

Request for Acceptance of Donation for Purchase of Park & Recreation Equipment. Mr. Kopko moved to accept a donation of equipment for the Backus Lane skate park for the Park & Recreation Department from the "Ozone Surf Classic"; seconded by Mr. Chadwick. So voted.

Liquor Licensee/Queequeg's: Request for Approval of Application for Pledge of License. Kevin Dale, attorney for the licensee, explained the application and spoke in favor. Mr. Kopko moved to approve; seconded by Mr. Chadwick. So voted.

Review of 2008 Preliminary Draft Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Ms. Gibson reviewed the various proposed articles and a discussion followed with regard to said articles. It was agreed that warrant articles would be discussed further at the Board's January 9, 2008 regularly scheduled meeting.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS/COMMENT

Adoption of FY 2009 General Fund Operating Budget Recommendations. Chairman Willauer reviewed a spreadsheet outlining proposed expense increase requests and noted that the Board anticipates approving most of the Town Administrator's recommendations which incorporate some changes made at the December 26, 2007 meeting. Nantucket resident John McLaughlin spoke in opposition to all expense increase requests. Some discussion followed regarding various items and

the Board reiterated its agreement to approve the Town Administrator's recommendations, with modifications already discussed. Discussion also ensued regarding the potential tax rate impact, if an operating override is proposed, and the importance of educating the community and convincing voters why an operating override may be necessary. Mr. Chadwick moved to adopt FY 2009 general fund operating recommendations and forward them to the Finance Committee; seconded by Mr. Kopko. So voted unanimously.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Approved the 23rd day of January, 2008.