

Approved 8/2/06
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, July 19, 2006, 4:30 p.m.

Present: Selectmen John Early, Skipper Manter, Glenn Hearn,
Guests: Gary Davidson, Linda Hearn, Chris Cini, John Alley, Barbara Day, D. Cabot, E. Mendenhall, J. Revere, R. Knabel, I. Fein, B. Potts, Joan Ames

Minutes: *S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 6/28/06. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 7/8/06. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was GH & SM in favor, JE abstained.

John Alley – Cemeteries: Skipper asked John how much progress has been made sorting out the cemetery records in the month since he was last at the BOS meeting. John said he was almost done. Glenn said he wanted to meet with John weekly for at least an hour to work on this project. He said John didn't need to worry about getting the information into a computer; that could be done later by the town. He also said he was concerned about where the cremation lots and half lots were. John early said he wanted all the information regarding the cemetery lots to be in town hall, not at John's house. He also suggested it might be easier to work with the maps if they were digitized and printed on a smaller size that people could access. Glenn asked John when they could first meet. John said he was busy so probably not until September. Skipper said that was not acceptable, he wanted a meeting sooner. It was decided that the meeting date would be firm no later than the first of August, he also felt some of the time currently being spent on other cemetery work could be redirected to this project and Jesse could do some of the trimming work needed. John Alley said he felt that ran counter to the Cemetery Superintendent's job description. A discussion of the fence followed, John Early said composite materials should be looked into, and a proper fencing company to do the installation to extend the longevity of the fencing. Skipper said he was concerned with the overall condition of the cemeteries. John Alley said the North Tisbury cemetery is not a priority because it isn't used anymore. Skipper felt that was disrespectful to the people buried there and their families. John Alley will meet with the Board again on August 2 at 4:00 p.m.

Taxis: Gary Davidson of Bluefish Taxi explained that he was trying to mirror rates in Edgartown as much as possible at the request of the airport manager. He said he was changing his request to just have the gas surcharge be 10% added to every fare – he said Edgartown will review the rates in November and he would also be open to reviewing them. Skipper asked about the luggage charge. Gary said there were times when people brought a ton of bags that take up a lot of the driver's time. He wanted charges that would allow for that.

S. Manter motioned to approve the taxi rates until November 13, 2006. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Tri-Town Ambulance Agreement: Jen explained that Rob McCarron had reviewed the agreement and had suggested a minor change in the language prior to signing, and then he also noted that there was a gap in the agreement which does not address the dispersal of funds should the tri-town ambulance dissolve, or one town pull out.

G. Hearn motioned to sign the Memorandum with the language change suggested by Mr. McCarron. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Emergency Management: *S. Manter motioned to appoint Chris Cini as the Director of Emergency Management for a term of one year. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Artisan's Fair: *S. Manter motioned to approve an amendment to the Artisan's Fair permit to allow two added dates in August. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was GH & JE in favor, SM abstained.*

Access to Counsel: *S. Manter motioned to approve the Board of Health access to counsel not to exceed \$1,000 with further approval. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Seasonal Pier Permit: *S. Manter motioned to approve a seasonal pier permit at M35 L1. G. Hearn seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was GH & JE in favor, SM abstained.*