

Approved 5/27/09
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, May 13, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

Present: Selectmen Dianne Powers, Skipper Manter, Richard Knabel, Jen Rand

Guests: John Alley, Margot Parrot, Beth Toomey, Danny Rossi, Jamie Craig, Neil Maciel, Prudy Burt, Harriet Bernstein, J. Ames, B&B Day, E. Mendenhall, J. Hickey, B. Potts

Minutes: *R. Knabel motioned to approve the minutes of 4/15/09. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Tactical Team Mutual Aid Agreement: Jamie Craig introduced himself as the Commander of the Tactical Team. He explained that all six towns, the Sherriff's department and the State Police were members. He said the language of the agreement was okayed by all the island chiefs and then reviewed by counsel. Richard asked if there was anything excluded from the mutual aid agreement in terms of what they would respond to. Jamie said that anything the exceeded the capability of the officer's response could qualify for assistance from the tactical team. He said as Commander he would be called and determine if a response was warranted. Chief Toomey noted that each town was always available to the other towns under the basic mutual aid agreement. Other aspects of the agreement were discussed including the funding mechanism, which basically states that each town is responsible for expenses incurred by their officer.

R. Knabel motioned to sign the Tactical Response Team Mutual Aid Agreement. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was RK & DP in favor, SM abstained.

Cemetery Lots: Jen said she had asked John to come because he had sold 1/3 of a cremation lot, and the cemetery sales were not really set up to for that so she wanted John to talk to the Board about how to proceed. John said there are only 15-17 cremation lots remaining, where this was a single burial it did not make sense to sell a whole lot. Skipper expressed concerns about keeping track of who was buried in which part of the lot. Dianne suggested setting up a planning session soon to address expansion of the cemetery and mapping of the cremation lots.

Cemetery Database: Glenn said he had planned to use the CPA money to hire someone to finish the data entry into the cemetery tracking database. He said he thought it would be best if he could hire someone in town hall because they have access to the computer and the database. Jen said it was possible that because it was CPA money applied for by a private citizen the town would not have to conduct a normal hiring process.

Personnel Board Appointment: *R. Knabel motioned to appoint Margot parrot to serve out Maeve Sheehan's term on the Personnel Board. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Lambert's Cove Beach parking: Dianne read a letter from the Parks Committee agreeing with Chief Toomey's recommendations to not allow parking on the corner opposite the parking lot. Five spots will be created next to the parking lot. Richard said he was willing to try it for a year. Skipper asked why there had to be any employee parking right at the parking lot, he felt they could all park down the street.

S. Manter motioned to adopt the parking regulations at the beach and to send a letter to the Parks Committee suggesting that all employees be asked to park down the street. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

School Lease: *S. Manter motioned to renew the lease with the Up-Island School District. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Historic Preservation Restriction: *S. Manter motioned to sign the HPR with the First Congregational Church. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Fundraiser Event Permit: *S. Manter motioned to allow the fundraiser for Tom Osmer at the MVAS on 5/17/09. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Garden Club Plant Sale: *S. Manter motioned to approve the Garden Club Plant Sale on 5/23/ & 5/24. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

TH Change Order: *S. Manter motioned to approve the town hall change order. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Habitat for Humanity House Storage: The Board discussed a request from habitat to store a donated house on Bailey Park road until they are able to use it. If they are not able to use the house they have stated they will remove it. The Board was concerned about liability and who actually owns the house. Jen will follow up with Habitat.