

**MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

June 4, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Dickerson, Chairman
Stephen Cushing
Jonathan Henry, Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Dawson, Town Administrator
Thomas Magauran
Ted North
Carol Sanz
Rico Ferrari
Steve Kokkins
Matthew Bernat (Sippican Week)
Michael DeCicco (Standard Times)
Chris Reagle (Sentinel)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Dickerson announced that the meeting would be televised, video recorded by ORCTV, and audio recorded by Town of Marion staff. A list of the materials reviewed at the meeting will be attached to these minutes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the minutes of the May 21, 2013 meeting. VOTE: 3-0-0

APPOINTMENTS

Sherman Briggs – Discussion regarding appointment to Town Boards

NOTE: Mr. Henry recused himself and left the room.

Mr. Briggs has submitted a letter of resignation from the Conservation Commission. Mr. Dickerson stated that Mr. Briggs has served on the Conservation Commission for more than 20 years, has also served on many other committees including the Bird Island Lighthouse Restoration Committee and the Planning Board, and has served the Town well over the years. Mr. Dickerson thanked Mr. Briggs for his service and dedication to the Town; Mr. Cushing agreed.

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to accept Mr. Briggs' letter of resignation effective immediately. VOTE: 2-0-0

ACTION ITEMS

NOTE: Mr. Henry rejoined the meeting.

Discussion – Employee drug testing policy

The Board agreed to take this under advisement until the June 18 meeting.

Water Commitment - \$1591.67 (5/20/13)

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry to move the commitment. VOTE: 3-0-0

Water Commitment - \$9888.53 (5/29/13)

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry to move the commitment. VOTE: 3-0-0

Credit Memorandum – 10 South Street - \$604.05 (5/15/13)

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry to approve the credit memo. VOTE: 3-0-0

Discussion – Update of Baywatch project

The following issues were discussed:

- Ownership of land parcel - Mr. Dawson explained to the Board that prior to approval of the amended comprehensive permit there was a separate agreement between private parties. There had been earlier discussion whether the Town should own a parcel of wetland located at the rear of the property. The Board agreed that the Town should own the land and have the Sippican Lands Trust hold a conservation restriction; Mr. Dawson will check if a Town Meeting vote is required.
- Board Liaison – It was agreed that Mr. Henry would continue to act as liaison between the Board and the developer.
- Sewer connection – Attorney Witten was asked if the developer has the ability to grant connection to the sewer line to someone other than or in addition to the project. He answered no; the connection is for the units and cannot be bartered.

Letter to Tabor Academy regarding Community Service Day

A letter thanking Tabor Academy for work done during Community Service Day was signed.

Water Abatement Request – 221A Wareham Street

An abatement request application containing information from the property owner and Mr. Zora was reviewed and discussed. According to Mr. Zora the increased water flow was the result of a substantial leak that went undetected for 50 days. He noted that the water was not consciously used and did not enter the sewer system; Mr. Zora recommends that \$5912.70 of the sewer bill be abated. After discussion it was agreed that the Board would vote on the sewer portion of the bill tonight and continue the discussion regarding the water use at the June 18 meeting.

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry to abate the sewer portion of the bill by \$5912.70. VOTE: 3-0-0

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Update – Natural History Museum

Mr. Dawson told the Board that the work will begin this week and will be done in 3-4 weeks. The Department of Public Works will be working with the contractor throughout the construction.

Summer Meeting Schedule

The Selectmen's summer meetings will be held July 9, August 6, and August 20 at the Police Station.

Policy regarding second meter for water service

Mr. Zora and representatives from Tata & Howard will meet with the Board on June 18 to discuss permitting and second meters for water service. Mr. Henry requested that some information be available for the Board to review prior to the meeting.

Recent filing with State Ethics Commission

Mr. Dawson provided the Board with a finding by the State Ethics Commission that there was no further need to pursue recent allegations.

CORRESPONDENCE

Discussion of the correspondence was waived with the following exceptions:

#6 – Letter from VFW inviting the Selectmen to the Fourth of July parade

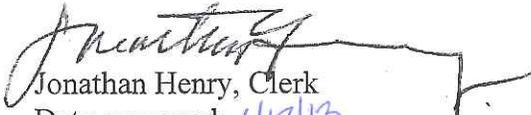
#9 – Letter regarding reduction in DOT funds

#8 – Letter from Lori Schaefer regarding Music Hall Advisory Committee and Historical Commission

Mrs. Schaefer is resigning from both Boards. The Selectmen praised her past service and efforts and agreed that she would be sent a letter of thanks.

The Board voted at 7:45 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for contract negotiations with non-Union personnel and also for strategy related to ongoing litigation. The Board will not be returning to regular session. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,


Jonathan Henry, Clerk
Date approved: 6/18/13

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DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT MEETING – June 4, 2013

Meeting minutes – May 21, 2013

Letter from Sherman Briggs announcing resignation from Conservation Commission

Employee drug testing policy (draft)

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Water abatement request – 929 Point Road

Planning Board request for comments – 380 Wareham Street

Letter from Lemay Music regarding busking at 119 Wareham Street

Notice of Dept. of Telecommunications and Cable Public Hearing (Comcast)

Letter from DMF - Amendments to commercial permit conditions for harvest of oysters

ZBA request for comments – 307 Converse Road

Letter from Rodney Hunt inviting Selectmen to Fourth of July Parade

Email from Thomas Magauran regarding infrastructure improvement project (5/29/13)

Letter from Lori Schaefer regarding Music Hall Advisory Committee and Historical Commission