

Aquinnah Board of Selectmen  
Minutes of Meeting 7/5/2011  
Aquinnah Town Hall Selectmen's Mtg Room

Members present: Jim Newman, Chairman, Beverly Wright

Also present: Adam Wilson, Town Administrator, Sgt Paul Manning

The meeting began at 5:35 pm.

The Board took up acceptance of prior meeting minutes

Beverly made a motion to accept the minutes from 6/21. Jim seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

Beverly made a motion to accept the executive session minutes from 6/9 & 6/21. Jim seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

-The Board took up the review of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting July 12<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion about the 3 different articles. Jim said it was important for the Town to get together and finish funding for the Tri-Town Ambulance. There was a short discussion about the finances needed to rehabilitate the West Tisbury School.

-Jim asked Paul to have the flag at half mast for the rest of the week in memoriam for Michelle Laurie.

-The Board reviewed a letter from the Wampanoag Tribal Administration for the planned Powwow that will occur September 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>.

-The Board took up town appointments and reappointments. Jim said that there should be a policy of appointing and reappointing every year all those who work for the Town as well as those appointed by the Board to serve on various community review committees. Board Members and Adam reviewed the appointed terms listed in the annual town report. There was discussion about tying in reappointments with job performance evaluations. Adam stated that he wants to restart the evaluation process and have it done for everyone in the month when they were 1<sup>st</sup> hired. Adam emphasized the need for reappointments to prevent the concept of “volunteering for life” with various committees. There was discussion about having a staggered term system so that entire boards/committees wouldn't turn over all at once.

There was a request from Buddy Vanderhoop to be reappointed as Chairman of the Shellfish Committee.

Beverly made a motion to reappoint Buddy as Chair of the Shellfish Committee for one year. Jim seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

-Jim read a list of special police officers to be appointed for the 2011 - 12.

Beverly made a motion to reappoint the Town's special police officers for one year. Jim seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

Beverly asked if all the employees listed in the report be reappointed.

Jim made a motion to reappoint the following people for July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012:

Jay Smalley, Judie Jardin, Wenonah Madison, Margie Spitz, Angela Waldron and Angela Cywinski from Town Hall, Paul Manning, Ryan Ruley and Steven Mathias from the Police Department. Beverly seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

Beverly asked about the employee parking lot repairs. Adam said that Jay has been working on repairs to the road leading into the lot, including regarding the driveway.

Adam had Board Members sign off on several expenditure warrants.

-The Board motioned to recess until 7:00 pm to meet with the Shellfish Committee.

The meeting recessed at 6:05 pm.

-When the Board reconvened at 6:55pm, Jim announced that the Shellfish Committee had asked to postpone until July 19<sup>th</sup>.

-Adam reported that Peter Temple, Chair of the Planning Board, had put in a request for Counsel on the matter of NSTAR requesting a special permit to relocate their poles on Moshup's trail. Jim and Beverly signed off their approval of the request. Beverly asked that the referral form indicate that requests must come from an entire committee and not just one individual. Adam said he would change the form to reflect that instruction. Jim said that should also apply to the Board of Selectmen with a majority favoring Counsel's opinion.

Beverly motioned to adjourn. Jim seconded.

**The Board voted 2 – 0 to approve. The motion passed.**

-The meeting ended at 7:15 pm.