



**Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall Hearing Room  
October 27, 2009  
Regular Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Selectmen Jim Hoben. Selectmen present: Bud Groskopf, Jerry Sullivan, Erik Tolley and Suzanne McAuliffe. Also Attending: Town Administrator Robert C. Lawton Jr. The Board of Selectmen gave the pledge of allegiance.

## **Public**

None

## **Airport Update**

*Represented by Airport Manager Bud Breault and Chairman BMA Dan Santos. Mr. Breault gave an update to the Board on Noise Abatements and informed the Board of an online tracking program where anyone can track the location and altitude of any aircraft being tracked from Barnstable Airport. There is a 10 minutes delay for security purposes. Ms. McAuliffe suggested putting a link on the Town website giving the public instructions on how to properly submit a complaint to the Airport Commission. Mr. Santos spoke about different fees and incentives for airlines flying later in the day. Wildlife assessments, plans for a new Air Traffic Tower and GIS Zone Air Mapping are some of the new projects that have begun. Mr. Breault reviewed Terminal entrance modifications and roadway changes.*

## **Cape & Vineyard Electric Co-Op 1<sup>st</sup> Hearing**

*Represented by Maggie Downey and Joe Soares. Ms. Downey gave a presentation through PowerPoint of the history of the Cape & Vineyard Electric Co-op which focuses on the pursuit of renewable energy projects. There are thirteen members: Towns of Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Dennis, Eastham, Edgartown, Mashpee, Orleans, Tisbury, Cape Light Compact, Barnstable County and Dukes County. Ms. Downey reviewed the rights and obligations of membership. Mr. Groskopf asked what the potential downside of joining. Ms. Downey mentioned that this organization equals a time commitment since it is so complex. Therefore the member has to be patient on results. Mr. Lawton mentioned that the Finance Committee recommended the membership to go forward. Charlotte Striebel spoke as the Town's representative to the Cape Light Compact and as the vice president of the Cape Light Compact Governing Board, stating that she is in full support of the Town of Yarmouth joining the Co-op. Brian Bragington-Smith spoke about stressing the benefits of supplying to local resources becoming a priority rather than exporting to foreign entities. Chairman of the Energy Committee Steve Gavin agreed with the direct benefit to the local area being a priority, as well as rate stabilization. Ms. Downey mentioned that a School District can benefit contractually. Charles McLaughlin, Co-Op's Director, spoke about water districts being qualified to become members.*

## **FY11 Budget Discussion**

*Mr. Lawton updated the Board on the progress of FY11 Budget. He has directed each Department Head to reduce their FY10 budgets by 4% and to describe the impacts of the reductions. Mr. Lawton mentioned that Chief Walker initiated a Department Head meeting to brainstorm on available options to better cooperate internal services. Mr. Lawton is more concerned with the School budgets due to the upcoming State aid reduction announcements from the Governor.*

Mr. Hoben mentioned that he will be absent at the next meeting due to surgery and felt that since all five of the Selectmen were present at this current meeting and the next time there would be a full board wouldn't be till December that an appointment to the Board of Health should be voted on this evening. Ms. McAuliffe updated the Board on her interviews for the Board of Health seat which is currently held by Tanya Daigneault. Ms. McAuliffe feels that the current Board of Health needs a change in membership and her recommendation is no reflection or any one individual but to bring balance of the functioning to the Board of Health and therefore recommends Charles Kelliher for appointment of a three year term. Mr. Hoben asked that there be no comments from the audience.

**MOTION:** To move that the Board of Selectmen to appoint Charles Kelliher for a three year term to the Board of Health.

**Motion by:** Jerry Sullivan    **Seconded by:** None

Ms. McAuliffe discussed her concern with the current functioning of the Board of Health and feels that change of the current dynamic. She said that its not about issues with time or any particular issue but about interactions within the Board. She hopes that the Selectmen take advantage of this opportunity to look at the big picture and create a solution. Mr. Hoben mentioned that he feels Ms. Daigneault is the most qualified and therefore should be reappointed. Ms. McAuliffe restated that it wasn't about qualifications but rather dynamics within the Board of Health and that Mr. Kelliher has both the qualifications and capacity to be brought on the Board. Mr. Tolley agreed with some of Ms. McAuliffe's points but feels that Ms. Daigneault is not the personality needing to be replaced. Mr. Groskopf also agreed with Ms. McAuliffe's basis for replacing Ms. Daigneault however he did not feel Mr. Kelliher was the correct choice. Ms. McAuliffe said that she had a second choice and wondered if the Board would entertain a motion for appointment of Brad Goodwin.

**MOTION:** To move that the Board of Selectmen to appoint Brad Goodwin for a three year term to the Board of Health.

**Motion by:** Jerry Sullivan    **Seconded by:** None

Mr. Hoben asked if Ms. McAuliffe would support reappointment of Ms. Daigneault and Ms. McAuliffe stated that at this time she would not support reappointment. Mr. Groskopf asked if the two newest members of the Board of Health had expressed their frustration with a strong personality and asked not to be reappointed. Ms. McAuliffe said that one new member had expressed their frustration and pressure but did not state that they did not want to remain on the Board. She is aware that Tanya does want to be reappointed however Ms. McAuliffe requests that the Selectmen support the Appointments Chairman since she has done the work, made the interviews and come to the Board with her recommendation. Ms. McAuliffe stated that she will not support a motion to keep the current membership of the Board of Health as is.

**MOTION:** To move that the Board of Selectmen to reappoint Tanya Daigneault for a three year term to the Board of Health.

**Motion by:** Jim Hoben    **Seconded by:** Bud Groskopf    Yea 3    Nay 2

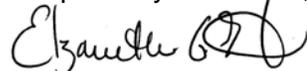
Ms. McAuliffe resigned immediately as Appointment Chairman.

## Adjourn

**MOTION:** To move that the Board of Selectmen to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm.

**Motion by:** Jerry Sullivan    **Seconded by:** Erik Tolley    Yea 5    Nay 0

Respectfully submitted,



Elizabeth G. Hartsgrove