BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

September 24, 2008

Board met in session at 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at Abbot Hall.

Present (constituting a quorum):

Jackie Belf-Becker, Chairman Harry C. Christensen, Jr. Judith R. Jacobi James E. Nye William L. Woodfin, II

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from September 10, 2008. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from September 17, 2008. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD CULTURAL COUNCIL. Interview. Appointment. Betsy Morris appeared before the Board to be interviewed for a position on the Cultural Council. Motion made and seconded to appoint Betsy Morris to the Marblehead Cultural Council with a term to expire in May 2011. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD COUNSELING CENTER. Gift to Town. Paul Crosby, Director Marblehead Counseling Center, appeared before the Board to present the "Silver Loving Cup" given in honor of the late Samuel Hobbs in 1932 to the Hobbs Memorial, as a gift to the Town. The Silver Cup was given by Mr. Hobbs former employees in loving memory hoping that it will serve as an inspiration to those who follow us to realize that sooner or later in one way or another; loyal, faithful service always receives its reward. Motion made and seconded to accept as a gift to the Town the "Loving Cup" and to place it in the custody and care of the Historical Commission. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of thanks to the Marblehead Counseling Center. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Tag Sale. Marblehead Yacht Club. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from P. Douglas Burgess, Marblehead Yacht Club, to use the Cliff Street Boatyard for a marine tag sale on October 4, 2008 from 9:00am – 12:00noon. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Block Party. Motion made and seconded to approve a request from Polly Kelloway to block Brown Street, between Nanepashemet and Cutter Court, on Sunday, October 5, 2008 from 4:30 – 6:30pm. All in favor.

Mr. Christensen recused himself from the meeting.

ZAIKA RESTAURANT. Kulwant Jhikka, owner of Zaika Restaurant, appeared before the Board as it relates to a complaint received by Alwin Alkonis, also present. After discussion motion made and seconded that Zaika Restaurant is not required to keep the back doors of the restaurant closed. All in favor.

Mr. Christensen returned to the meeting.

OLD AND HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION. Interview. Appointment. Cheryl Boots appeared before the Board to be interviewed for a position on the Old and Historic Districts Commission. Motion made and seconded to appoint Cheryl Boots to the Old and Historic Districts Commission with a term to expire in May 2009. All in favor.

COMCAST. Internet Service to Town Buildings. Motion made and seconded to forward correspondence received from Comcast as it relates to free internet service to the Town Buildings to Paul Rabin, Chairman of the Cable Oversight Committee for review and clarification. All in favor.

MBTA. Preliminary 2008 Service Plan. Residents are reminded that the MBTA is still taking written comments regarding bus service to the Town of Marblehead. Comments should be sent to MBTA Service Planning Unit, 45 High Street, Boston, MA 02110 or email: serviceplan08@mbts.com. For more details and complete list of all meeting locations as well as a copy of the plan go to http://www.mbta.com.

Motion made and seconded to send a letter to Rick Patoski, MBTA Advisory Committee, requesting that all correspondence he receives from the MBTA regarding the 2008 Service Plan and any upcoming meetings or hearings be forwarded immediately to the Selectmen's attention. All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to forward a copy of the letter the Board submitted to the MBTA relating to maintaining the current level of bus service to the Town to Ferdinand Alvaro, a Marblehead resident recently appointed by Governor Patrick to the nine member State Board that governs the MBTA. All in favor.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:45pm. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley Administrative Aide