

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

February 25, 2009

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 February 11, 2009. 4 voted in favor, 1 voted present. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from February 18, 2009. 4 voted in favor, 1 voted present.

VOTE. Motion made and seconded to award a contract to Old Town Repair of Marblehead, Massachusetts for the Repair and refinishing of the exterior doors in Abbot Hall in the amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$8,400.00). All in favor.

VOTE. Transfer from Reserve Fund. Motion made and seconded, in accordance with the Chapter 40, Section 6, of the Massachusetts General Laws, to approve the request from the Finance Committee to transfer from the Reserve Fund \$34,392.58 to Fire Salaries. All in favor.

VOTE. Transfer from Reserve Fund. Motion made and seconded, in accordance with the Chapter 40, Section 6, of the Massachusetts General Laws, to approve the request from the Finance Committee to transfer from the Reserve Fund \$6,909.64 to Fire Expenses. All in favor.

MBTA. Service Plan Update. Representative Lori Ehrlich appeared before the Board to update them on the recent changes to the MBTA Service Plan. Representative Ehrlich noted that due to the Town's support and advocacy, the original service plan reductions, which would have drastically reduced and eliminated some bus routes to Marblehead, has been modified to maintain service into Marblehead by adjusting trip times and routes. Representative Ehrlich will continue to advocate on behalf of the Town to ensure that a sufficient level of bus service to the Town is maintained. Motion made and seconded to have the Town Administrator send a letter to the MBTA inquiring what the reimbursements costs to Marblehead will be due to the recent reduction in service. 4 voted in favor, 1 opposed.

CABLE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. Verizon Negotiations. Paul Rabin and Ron Olson, Cable Oversight Committee, appeared before the Board to inform them that negotiations have been completed with Verizon and the licenses are being prepared. The Committee would like to appear before the Selectmen on March 25, 2009 to have the licenses signed. Ron Olson reviewed the Bylaws for the Marblehead Community Access and Media, Inc. Motion made and seconded to approve the Bylaws as presented. All in favor.

CONDOLENCES. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of sympathy to the family of Dr. Frank Healey who recently passed away. All in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion made and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation, votes may be taken, and if they are, votes will be released at a time deemed appropriate by counsel. The Board will not reconvene in open session. On a polled vote, the Board voted as follows: Mr. Nye, in favor; Mr. Woodfin, in favor; Mrs. Jacobi, in favor, Mr. Christensen, in favor; Mrs. Belf-Becker, in favor. Adjourned to Executive Session at 8:22 p.m.

Kyle Wiley
Administrative Aide