BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES

August 13, 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

Anthony M. Sasso, Town Administrator

MINUTES. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from July 23, 2008. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from August 11, 2008. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Breast Friends Walk. Sara Bryant Smith appeared before the Board requesting permission to run the 3rd annual Breast Friends Walk on Sunday, October 5, 2008. The Walk will start at 9:00am at Devereux Beach; proceed down the causeway and around the neck and finish at Devereux Beach. Motion made and seconded to approve this request subject to approval from the Marblehead Police, Fire and Recreation and Parks Department, receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and the usual rules and regulations. All in favor.

MARBLEHEAD CULTURAL COUNCIL. Interviews. Appointments. Joanne Johnston and Marshall Harris appeared before the Board to be interviewed for a position on the Cultural Council. Motion made and seconded to appoint Joanne Johnston to the Marblehead Cultural Council with a term to expire in 2010. All in favor. Motion made and seconded to appoint Marshall Harris to the Marblehead Cultural Council with a term to expire in 2010. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Abbot Hall. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Susan Livingston to use Abbot Hall on Thursday, October 23, 2008 from 7:00 – 9:00pm for a citizen's hearing to discuss the Salem Power Plant subject to the usual rules, regulations and fees, receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and payment of custodial fees. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Block Party. Motion made and seconded to approve the request from Betsy Rooks to block off a portion of Pickwick Road (between #9 – 18) for a block party on Monday, September 1, 2008 from 2:00 – 7:00pm. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Temporary Fence. Motion made and seconded to approve a request from Jeffrey Tucker, Siemasko & Verbridge, to place temporary fencing at 354 Ocean Avenue for a period of 3 months and to authorize the Town Administrator after the 3 month period to approve the continuance of the temporary fence on a month by month basis, not to exceed the initial 6 month request and subject to receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance. All in favor.

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY. Devereux and Smith Street. Selectmen reviewed and discussed information relating to placement of stop signs at Devereux and Smith Streets. Motion made and seconded to authorize the Marblehead Police Department to conduct a traffic count at this intersection one week in August and one week in September and to report their findings back to the Board. All in favor.

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY. Parking Regulations. Crowninshield Road and Beacon Street. Motion made and seconded to implement the following parking regulation: "Beacon Street – No Parking, Tow Zone, Here to Corner on the northerly side of Beacon Street beginning at a point located 28 feet west of the westerly sideline of Crowninshield Road and extending in an easterly direction to Crowninshield Road." All in favor. Motion made and seconded to authorize the Town Administrator and Chief Picariello to review the site and report back to the Board. All in favor.

PERMISSION. Use of Fort Sewall. Motion made and seconded to invite Nicholas Smith, Crypto Paranormal Investigations, to the next Board of Selectmen's meeting to discuss his request to use Fort Sewall. All in favor.

MAIL. Waldron Court Place. Motion made and seconded to authorize the Town Administrator to request a "Private Way" sign be placed at Waldron Court Place. All in favor.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. Permit to maintain existing pier. A letter from Carl Paschetag was read notifying the Board of his intent to file an application with the DEP to maintain an existing dock/pier at 16 Indianhead Circle.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. Application Deadline Extension. The Board of Selectmen has extended the deadline to accept letters of intent from all interested parties who would like to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals as a full time member. Letters of intent should be submitted to the Board of Selectmen, Abbot Hall, 188 Washington Street, Marblehead, MA 01945 by Wednesday, September 24, 2008 at 5:00pm.

CONGRATULATIONS. OKO's. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of congratulations to the OKO's Veteran Fireman's Association of Marblehead for their victory last Saturday in Newbury, with a winning pump measuring 207 feet. All in favor.

CONGRATULATIONS. 100th Birthday Celebration. Motion made and seconded to send a letter of congratulations to Ben Chadwick in honor of his 100th Birthday. All in favor.

FORT SEWALL COMMITTEE. Dedication. USS Constitution. On Thursday, September 18, 2008 at 4:00pm a commemorative plaque memorializing the visits of the USS Constitution to Marblehead will be dedicated at Fort Sewall. The public is invited.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:15pm. All in favor.

Kyle A. Wiley
Administrative Aide