



## Town of Boothbay Office of the Town Manager James D Chaousis II

To: Board of Selectmen From: James D Chaousis II

Date: 11/23/2013

Sub: Agenda for 11/27/2013

### Goals and Objectives @ 6:30 PM

This memo is designed to explain the items on the agenda for the next meeting.

### Dave and Ruth Alley RE: 2005 Consent Agreement

- Mr. and Mrs. Alley would like to talk to the BOS regarding the 2005 consent agreement made with the Town and the previous owner of the property.
- They have met with Code Enforcement on several issues regarding their property but it is in a Federally protected Resource Protection area, which has hampered their progress
- They have decided to work exclusively on their home but it is restricted by the consent agreement that
  was not imposed on them but on the previous owner. They buy the consent agreement with the
  property.
- I have included the consent agreement for your review.
- I spoke with the couple the other day and told them that their options are to comply with the consent agreement or discuss with the BOS if they would remove it but the Town is bound by law to make them comply.
- While I am sympathetic with their dilemma the consent agreement can be complied with reasonably, protects the property against the previous attempts to subvert the ordinance, and protects the neighbors who are very astute to the history of the property.

### **Reports**

- Fireworks Request
  - o The Chamber of Commerce has transitioned fireworks to the Town of Boothbay Harbor
  - o For the purposes of funding request, the request will come from the town
  - o I will submit the request in the budget review process but thought it was necessary to report at this time
- FY 2013 Audit
  - o The audit is complete and in your mailboxes.
  - o I also sent an electronic version via email
  - I am working with the auditor to have a personal discussion with the BOS but we haven't nailed a date yet
- BOA Appeals Report
  - o As I sent via email, the BOA found the cell tower application complete
  - O They mandated that the technical data be reviewed by a third party reviewer and the applicant reimburse the town that expense
  - o The scheduled the hearing for 1/28/2014 at 7 PM and the report will be available 1/10/2014
- Comprehensive Planning Committee
  - o Enclosed in your packets is a piece of information about goals and policies
  - o I would like to point out page 10, Action F.2-3, #2. There was a lot of discussion on this and it was ultimately removed.
  - o I will use it as the example of the Comp Plan progress and compromise





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- FY 2015 Budget
  - Included in your packet is the budget timeline
  - o I would like to discuss and see where the BOS would like to deviate
- Goals and Objective
  - o I will try to organize the results of the non-compulsory polling information
  - o I was trying to help the process. I'm sorry if I offended Selectmen
- STM Timeline/Survey
  - o I will have the latest survey results at the next meeting
  - I have prepared a timeline for a Special Town Meeting to aid in the discussion of reconsidering the questions
  - I realize that people talk to the elected leaders but they often take their frustrations out on the staff at the office. Some people have been very negative and nasty about the Selectmen considering reintroducing the questions.
  - O Personally, I think the TIF and bond was a great idea but we didn't sell it well enough to get a majority. The poll may be able to tell the BOS why but I DO NOT support reintroducing the question out of fear for the destructive nature it will have on the community and the destructive nature it will have on the office and other priorities.
  - o I think the rift between the minority Selectmen and management is already detrimental to our mission and I fear it will only get worse.
- Department Reports
  - We will meet in the afternoon on Wednesday to discuss department current issues
  - I included in your packets a little example of a minor victory that our staff has accomplished.
    - Previously Building Permits were printed at the local printer
    - The staff with the assistance of technical assistance has modified our internal Code Enforcement database program to automatically create building permits. We will simply buy card stock in the future and print the new permits. Good job Dan, Lori, and Vicky!

#### **Old Business**

- BRAS Budget Committee Request
  - o The ad for outstanding requests has been out for two editions of the newspaper
  - The only applicant has been Mr. Leonard
- Social Media Policy
  - I have not sent this out for legal review because I want to know it contains all the necessary changes that the BOS require
- Spirit of America Nominee
  - We discussed a 2013 nominee but got busy with the TIF project
  - We can still nominate someone before the end of the year if the BOS decides to or we can nominate one to be recognized in 2014 around Town Meeting

#### **New Business**

- Giving Tuesday
  - Please see the correspondence in regards to Giving Tuesday in your packets
  - o I have prepared a resolution if the BOS is inclined to do so.