

# The Town of Barnstable

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# HYANNIS MAIN STREET WATERFRONT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MINUTES SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission Ordinance under Chapter 112, Article III of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, you are hereby notified that a hearing was held at Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA Selectmen's Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 7:00 P.M. on **Wednesday, September 16, 2009** 

Members Present: George Jessop, Chairman, Barbara Flinn, Marina Atsalis, Joe Cotellessa,

Alternate Members Present: William Cronin, Meaghann Kenney

**Staff:** Steve Seymour

# Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes of September 02, 2009

Motion duly made by Barbara Flinn, seconded by Joe Cotellessa to Approve the Minutes of

September 02, 2009 as Submitted VOTE: So Voted Unanimously

#### New Business

Certificate of Appropriateness

Talita Camilo dba Magnolia Flowers & Gifts, 29 North Street, Hyannis, Map 327, Parcel 001 Represented Talita Camilo

New Sign

No representation present

Motion duly made by Marina Atsalis, seconded by Barbara Flinn to Continue the Certificate of

Appropriateness to October 07, 2009.

**VOTE: So Voted Unanimously** 

## **Informal**

Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District Sample Units of Big Belly Solar Compactor

Represented by Scott Lajoie, Hyannis Main Street BID and Bill Eddy of Big Belly Solar Compactor A sample unit was available to the members for their review and Mr. Eddy demonstrated the workings of the compactor. There is a 35 gallon inner bin which has a total capacity of approximately 5-1 which equals 175 gallons. Trash is deposited through a "mailbox" slot and when it gets to a certain height, there is an electronic beam/sensor that tells it when to compact. You do not have to wait while it is compacting as trash can be deposited at the same time. Empty it weighs 30 pounds and fully compacted 40-45

pounds. Runs on solar and can go 3-4 weeks before it needs sunlight. The customer maintains and the company provides warranties. Mr. Eddy stated that maintenance is minimal – a battery replacement every 4 years or so. The battery is an of-the-shelf motorcycle battery. When the unit gets full a flashing yellow light will detect an "almost full" indicator and then a red flashing light will indicate it is full. Someone would need to monitor the units or there is a wireless option to monitor via computer. Meaghann Kenney asked if there are any compactors currently in Historic areas. Mr. Eddy stated that they are located in Philadelphia outside of Independence Hall and in Boston at Fanueil Hall. There are 4,000 units worldwide in cities, parks and stadiums. On Cape Cod, locations include beaches in Harwich and at the Cape Cod Community College. The Department of Conservation in Massachusetts also has locations in Scusset Beach, Nickerson State Park and various places in Falmouth. Marina Atsalis pointed out that these locations on the Cape seem to be at larger areas such as parks and beaches. Main Street is a much smaller scale and this Commission has objected in the past to containers businesses put out and they should object to these. Bill Eddy commented that the current trash cans can get full, overflowing and can be tipped over and create more of an eyesore. Marina Atsalis suggested that perhaps the DPW needs to come out more often than the current 3 days per week. Because the trash receptacles are overflowing and getting tipped over is not enough of a reason to change to these units. This Commission spent an enormous amount of time and research to determine guidelines for benches, lighting, tree grates, etc and trash receptacles. She views the units as a wonderful idea for beaches, parks and conservation areas but not on Main Street. George Jessop stated that he recalls that the flared top of the trash barrels can be anchored to the ground to deter them from being tipped over. Steve Seymour reported that he has been contacted by DPW with regards to these units and inquired if there would be an option to locate the units somewhere other than Main Street or perhaps the Village Green or is there a way to enclose them so that they are more acceptable. George Jessop reminded members that at one time there was discussion to enclose newspaper dispensers and soda machines, however, the Commission ended up banning both along Main Street altogether. Barbara Flinn noted that she wouldn't be opposed to one perhaps on a trial basis somewhere along the Harbor. Chairman Jessop reminded all that this discussion is simply an Informal Review and suggests that a Formal Application be submitted with exact number of units and suggested locations.

## **Public Comment**

None

Having no further business before this Commission, William Cronin moved and Joe Cotellessa seconded to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:40pm.

VOTE: So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted, Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary