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BOARD OF SELECTMEN**
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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TUESDAY DECEMBER 14, 2015
COUNCIL ON AGING
227 CHACE ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS**

Call to Order at Lee J. Baumgartner calls the meeting to order. Others present are Selectmen Paul G. Sadeck and Town Administrator Jack Healey, State Representative Carole Fiola, Ken Fiola and Lauren Moreau.

Ken Fiola explains the land has been sold and they intend to work through the winter and open in Fall 2016. Lauren Moreau ask when the 2nd shift will start. Mr. Fiola says should be starting now. Mrs. Moreau's concern is for the residents on So Main Street with the night lights. Mrs. Fiola says they have coverings on the lights she already looked into it. They call them hood lights. Amazon wants to be a good citizen to them. The Board of Selectmen has not heard anything about the lights from residents. Mr. Fiola says their MEPA permit requires them to have covered lights on them. Mrs. Fiola asks about hiring process. Mr. Fiola says towards the 1st quarter of 16 they should begin. It will be with the Career center and they are starting a list. There is 1st preference to Fall River and Freetown but there is not percentage. Selectman Sadeck asks about the average wage. Mr. Fiola says between \$35,000 with 401K. Selectman Sadeck asks if there have been any inquiries from delivery companies like Fedex and UPS regarding opening a facility here. Mr. Fiola said he heard FedEx wants to open Seekonk/Swansea line but nothing from UPS. There is a 4 acre parcel here and it could potentially be used for something to that effect. Mr. Fiola will continue working toward developing this because they own this land. Moving on to the Churchill and Banks property Mrs. Fiola says she would like to talk about. Mr. Fiola says they have filed their environmental impact report. They have been told what they need to do. This should take 12-16 months to get through the permit process and he thinks they will be successful. Then they can develop it. Then they will start with water and sewer for grant applications. Selectman Baumgartner said he attended a meeting recently and they wanted to grow hydroponic tomatoes. Selectman Sadeck asks if they will have the same issues with the artifacts? Mr. Fiola doesn't know. Sewer Language in the Environmental Bill, Selectman Sadeck wants to know how much money is available. Mrs. Fiola says 1-1.8million in the bond. This is just for Freetown. Mr. Fiola says you need to see how much sewer you need and then see how much private you can get. Then you can see how much state backing you can get. Mrs. Moreau asks about the Land use permitting. The Reps will ask and get back to her. Mrs. Fiola will make sure that Mr. Healey gets this. Selectman Sadeck asks about Southcoast Rail. Mrs. Fiola says this has been a step back since the new administration. They are evaluating it.

Motion (Sadeck/Baumgartner) to adjourn at 9:31 am. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ali Golz, Administrative Assistant