GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN December 6, 2019

Meeting open @ 10:15

Present: Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Lisa Wright, Dale Lynch, Kris Lombard, Paula DiMare, Michelle Carvalho, Midge Frieswyk, Seth Garfield

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

There was discussion about Packer fuel and the DEP compliance. Wyatt Garfield volunteered to organize a committee to evaluate the fuel issues. The DEP upgrades could cost as much as \$400,000 if the operation continues as we know it. The committee will evaluate the fuel farm as it exists now or come up with some new ideas. Could above ground tanks be considered? Not only are there DEP regulations, there are also Coast Guard regulations. It is a complicated situation.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of October 25, 2019. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

WATER:

All of the meters have been read and Dale found 6 meters which are not working and will be replaced. There was a leak at Symonds which no one knew about and they used 243,000 gallons. Dale asked the Water Commissioners if they should be charged the full amount. He also asked about 13 questionable services, if those qualify as additional services.

There was discussion about water and some of the estimates provided by Environmental Partners for the two large projects. Sarah will speak with them about this.

SCHOOL/STEAM:

Michelle and Midge gave an update on STEAM progress. Michelle has been busy recruiting in many ways. Any new idea takes time to develop. There is a potential commitment from New Bedford for Fall 2020, and Falmouth is waiting for funding to commit to Spring 2020. Wellesley Public School is interested in Spring 2020 and Monomoy in June. Michelle is working on raising other funds. The STEAM office is located in the school. Stewart thanked Michelle for her concise reports.

There was discussion about converting the school from oil heat to electric or propane as the school needs a new oil tank which is about \$2400. There is concern about the future of oil availability on the island. Lisa is working on getting Mass Save to visit the island and evaluate the energy efficiency of the school and town hall.

POLICE/FIRE/1ST AID:

Seth reported that a new battery has been installed in the fire truck. He runs the 1st Aid truck once a week. As a did a good job plowing during the last storm.

ASSESSOR:

Kris reported that she spent time at Vision with Steve Ferreira. They are finishing the year end and have 4 legitimate sales which all sold over their assessed values. Steve feels the assessments need to be increased.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 1:09.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Wright.

Sarah Berry

G. Stewart Young

Gail Blout

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