GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN December 18, 2020

Meeting open @ 10:30am

Present: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Lisa Wright, Michael Milanoski, George Shaw, David Frothingham, Paula DiMare, Jon Winet, Phil Houha, Sara & Paul Lehner, Marla Garfield, Chuck Adelsberger, Dale Lynch, Terri Lowell, Asa Lombard IV Board Members Participating Remotely: Gail Blout, Stewart Young

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of November 6, 2020. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote. Roll Call: Gail Blout – Here, Sarah Berry – Here, Stewart Young – Here.

Sarah Berry will sign the warrants, Lisa will take them to the mainland for Gail to sign.

Covid-19 cases continue to climb. The Selectmen/Board of Health encourage all to continue to social distance, sanitize, wear masks and not gather in large groups during the upcoming holidays.

WATER:

Chuck Adelsberger of Environmental Partners reported that DEP is behind on permitting. Once the well design is approved it will go to USDA for approval; then it will go out to bid. Work will be done in the fall. There has been no response from DEP regarding the pump test.

PIPE REPLACEMENT PROJECT:

Chuck presented Amendment #1 for the pipe replacement project totaling \$35,390.00. *A motion was made to approve Amendment #1 for the pipe replacement project. Duly seconded. So moved.*Unanimous vote. Roll Call: Gail Blout – Here, Sarah Berry – Here, Stewart Young – Here.

PLAYGROUND:

The Playground Committee will be sending out a fund-raising letter hoping to raise \$50,000 for the new playground estimated at costing \$100,000. Their next meeting will be on January 9. The Buzzards Bay Coalition will handle the collection of donations for the town.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Michael Milanoski reported that Ralph Packer will remove the underground fuel tanks sometime next year. He reported the Conservation Commission voted against (3-2) the Notice of Intent filed by the town for the installation of 2 above ground oil tanks. There will be challenges for the island due to the lack of a reliable fuel service for residents, visitors and boaters. The town took this project on as there is no current contractual agreement with Mr. Packer, no private entity has stepped up to provide fuel. Mr. Packer will continue to provide fuel to the winter residences which require home heating fuel and to the powerhouse as well.

ELECTRIC LIGHT:

It's hopeful the solar will be working at 100% capacity soon. The Electric Light Commissioners may extend the winter electric rates longer than January, February and March.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

Stewart Young is heading up this project to apply to make Gosnold a Green Community through the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. There will be a presentation on January 8 or 22nd.

LIBRARY:

Gail reported that the \$6000 that went from the operating budget to stabilization needs to go back to the operating budget so that we will be eligible for state aid.

COAST GUARD BOAT HOUSE VISITOR CENTER:

Visitor Center Committee will meet next month.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned @ 11:16am.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

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G. Stewart Young

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Approved via ZOOM – February 5, 2021