

Gosnold Board of Selectmen
February 19, 2021

Meeting took place via Zoom.

Meeting open @ 10:31.

Present:

Board of Selectmen: Gail Blout, Stewart Young, Sarah Berry all participated remotely. Others present: Lisa Wright, Michael Milanoski, Sara & Paul Lehner, Dix Leeson, Ned & Bev Prevost, Phil Houha, Terri Lowell, Dale Lynch, Slater Anderson, Tally Garfield, Michael Hale, Nate Berry, Diane Croswell, Leo Roy, Marla Garfield, Jon Winet, Nancy Wilder, Paula DiMare, Charmaine Gahan, David Warr, Ralph Cataldo Sean Uiterwyk, Ann Conway, Jay Merriam, Bob Elmore, Chip Bradish, Seth Garfield

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of January 22, 2021. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

Michael Milanoski reported that the IRS is auditing the town to review the employees who receive 1099 forms versus W2 forms. Some employees receive both forms. Sarah Smith and Michael Milanoski will be the contact people.

A motion was made to expend \$2500.00 for the deer count survey. Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

Stewart is reviewing the Community Development Strategy which is an ever-changing document. It should be updated annually.

Warrants will be distributed for approval.

Two business licenses were approved for Cuttyhunk WIFI and Cuttyhunk Energy.

GREEN COMMUNITY ACT:

Stewart is waiting to hear back from David Parker as there will be a fee added to the electric bills equaling 1/20 of .01 cent/KWHR. The application is due July 1.

ROAD/WALL/DRAINAGE PROJECT:

Foth is researching ways to address the pipe at the Barry pond. The project will begin April 1 and finish June 15. A staging area is required.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

The Board of Health/Board of Selectmen would like to remind everyone to continue to wear masks and social distance even after being vaccinated. Double masking is also recommended.

WATER:

Peer review will take place on February 26 from 9:30 – 11.

ASSESSOR:

The Selectmen may hire an interim Assessor and post a permanent position. The new Assessor would take classes and train for certification. The Department of Revenue audit should be complete next month and they may make recommendations on how to best handle this transition.

FUEL:

Ralph Packer has agreed to let the town use the temporary fuel tanks for the summer season for town vehicles and the harbor boat only.

SOLID WASTE:

Michael Milanoski reported that the department will purchase 2 trailers to move the hoppers back and forth from the solid waste area to the fish dock. This will require fewer trips and Asa can move the trailers with the truck versus the bobcat. Michael, Asa and Seth are working on reconfiguring the solid waste area to make it safer and more efficient.

COAST GUARD BOAT HOUSE VISITOR CENTER:

Gail reported that she asked Michael to consider a place for a visitor center restroom while they are reconfiguring the solid waste area. The rescue boat will be suspended from the ceiling. More design information will be forthcoming in March.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

The Conservation Commission will be meeting @ 1:00pm.

PLAYGROUND:

Gail visited the island along with the playground committee. Some things to consider are: the water easement, handicap entrance leading to the walkway to the library, the walking path to Rose Cottage and the access to the Houha's barn ramp.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Letters will go out to the shack tenants asking them to self-certify that each one meets the criteria for having a building.

Moorings and pilings which are rented will now cost \$100/year, non-rented are \$50.00/year. There will be a \$5.00 environmental fee on town moorings, commercial moorings and transient slips that will be used to offset the cost of solid waste. This will eliminate paying for the disposal of trash at the trailer.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 12:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

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Approved via Zoom – March 19, 2021