

GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

June 25, 2021

Meeting open @ 10:33 at Cuttyhunk Town Hall and via Zoom.

Present in person: Gail Blout, Lisa Wright, Sarah Smith, Dale Lynch, David Warr, Seth Garfield

Remote participation: Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Adam Patcher, George Shaw, Chip Bradish, Bev Prevost, Jon Winet, Marla Garfield, Michael Milanoski, Leo Roy, Serena Davis, Slater Anderson, Dawn Barnes, Fran Veeder

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A motion was made to accept the minutes of May 13th. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll call: Gail Blout – here, Sarah Berry – here, Stewart Young – here. Unanimous vote.

A motion was made to appoint the following positions. These three positions were previously elected. At our June 19 Annual Town Meeting it was voted to change these positions to appointed.

Highway – Seth Garfield

Town Clerk – Lisa Wright

Treasurer – Sarah Smith

Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry abstained.

A motion was made to appoint the following to the Cultural Council: Rebecca Garfield, Dede Frothingham, Emily Anderson and Teri Bordenave. Appoint Shellfish Constable for Nashawena: Jim Reynolds. Duly seconded. Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

A motion was made to appoint the Electric Advisory Committee: David Parker, Paul Elias and Dale Lynch. Duly seconded. Roll call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

A motion was made to appoint Adam Patcher to the Finance Committee. Duly seconded. Roll call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

There was discussion about jumping off the dock which is a tradition and how to best make it work. Many are very worried about an accident as there are many people jumping and also boats in the channel.

Stewart made a motion to thank Gail for all of her hard work. Stewart will become the Chair of the Board of Selectmen as of July 1. Duly seconded. Roll call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.

Sarah Smith reported that Eric is working on updating QuickBooks. He will be added to the cloud. Sarah will get an updated financial statement after she inputs the latest warrants.

WATER:

Leo reported on the meeting he and Dale attended at Environmental Partners. EP admitted to some of their mistakes and lack of deliverables. He is getting a punch list together and also trying to get the three major projects in alignment. Hopefully, the projects will be bid on in mid-October. *A motion was made to approve Contract #2 for the watermain replacement dated 6/23/2021, and Contract #4 for the water system improvements program and to allow Gail Blout to sign on behalf of the town. Duly seconded. Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.*

Dale Lynch thanked the Selectmen for supporting him during all of the Environmental Partners discussions. The Selectmen agreed that Dale can contact Michael Ohl for advice along the way if necessary. *A motion was made to give Dale Lynch a stipend of \$250.00/week, retroactive to January 1. Duly seconded. Roll Call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote.*

SOLID WASTE:

There will be an ongoing discussion regarding a household fee to help bridge the solid waste deficit gap.

ASSESSOR:

Dawn Barnes introduced herself on Zoom. Dawn is our new Assessor.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

The backup generator is at the powerhouse and operational.

Leo reported the new lobster shack is too large for the space. The available space is 80 square feet, the new shack is 120 square feet. The vendors will be charged \$350 for the violation.

There was discussion about the use of slips. There should be one boat per slip and the boat should be that of the person renting the slip space.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

The State regulations have been canceled. Masking for unvaccinated people is still recommended.

AVALON:

There was an Artist Residency with two public events last week.

CONSERATION COMMISSION:

David Warr is happy the temporary generator is at the powerhouse.

LIBRARY:

The library will be open normal hours beginning next week. The Trustees have hired Anna Burns to digitize the collection.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Roll call: Gail Blout – here, Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned @ 12:34.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

Approved: August 6, 2021