Gosnold Board of Selectmen April 22, 2022 In person at Cuttyhunk Town Hall and via Zoom

Meeting open @ 10:30 AM

In person:

Stewart Young, Sarah Berry, Lisa Wright, Sarah Smith, Ian Walsh, David Warr, Seth Garfield

Via Zoom:

Gail Blout, Leo Roy, Carlyn Nunes, Diane Croswell, Jon Winet, Mark Rasmussen, Sara & Paul Lehner, Sean Uiterwyk, Paula DiMare, Marla Garfield, Trish Hulley

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of February 25, 2022. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote.

Gail made a motion to accept the Municipal Vunerability Grant in the amount of 1.5 million and authorize Stewart Young to sign on behalf of the Town of Gosnold. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote.

Leo Roy pointed out that this particular grant is not a reimbursable grant; we will get the money upfront which will help tremendously with our cash flow with the water/well projects.

The Selectmen unanimously approved the Buzzards Bay Coalition pump-out extension from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2027.

A motion was made to approve the FY22 10-year revaluation with Vision Government Solutions for \$34,000. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll Call: Stewart Young — here, Sarah Berry — here, Gail Blout — here. Unanimous vote.

The revaluation will be completed by Vision which includes full measurement of property lines; lists of exterior features and interior features will be listed only if the owner is home for interior access. Vision hopes to conduct their work from April 25 – July 15. Once completed the tax rate will be set and bills will be released.

The Selectmen reviewed their committee guidelines which they hope to complete and have available to current committee members and new members as well.

A motion was made to authorize Gail Blout to sign the Seaport Economic Grant on behalf of the town for the dredging design and permitting around the marina. Duly seconded. Stewart Young – Here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – Abstain. The motion carries.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

The Annual Town Meeting warrant will be signed at next meeting May 6.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Sarah Berry spoke with Rick Smith of Westport who might be a back-up person for public safety as he is not currently certified.

Stewart will move forward with negations with Matt Gutwill for a summer Police Officer

FUEL FARM:

The Coastal Zone Management Grant match of \$53,000 needs to be on the Annual Town Warrant for approval.

WATER PROJECT:

Leo reported that the 5.5 million is now available for the water/well projects so they are moving ahead with sourcing of the materials. The project should begin in early May.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

We are hoping to schedule the town building energy assessment soon.

FUEL FARM:

Gail reported that Ralph Packer asked the Conservation Commission for permission to move forward with the site cleanup. Ralph is waiting for the letter from the Conservation Commission; Ralph has promised to keep the Conservation Commission informed of the start date.

INTERNET:

Verizon has been in touch with Sarah Berry regarding new technology they want to explore for the town.

SOLID WASTE:

Stewart asked if it might be helpful to have a Solid Waste Committee to help with significant changes to the programs we currently have in place. The Harbor Committee had a lively discussion about these changes at their meeting last week. HMC feels that trash disposal should be easy for the boaters.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Meeting on 4/30 - Town Hall and Zoom options.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

HMC met last week and was able to give a couple of people annual moorings who have been on the waiting list for 20 years +/-. HMC is working on the status of a couple of moorings in questions. The FY 2023 budget is in draft form. The next HMC meeting will be on May 7; the harbor and wharf budgets will be finalized then. The Foth contract was approved to analyze the marina configuration, considering sea level rise in the future.

SCHOOL:

Currently there will be no students in school in the fall.

LIBRARY:

The Trustees are trying to figure out the best place for a flag pole. We could put a flag off one of the buildings as the footprint is small with many utilities underground. Placement of a pole may be challenging and expensive.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned @ 12:54 PM.

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

Gàil Blout

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