

GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

May 6, 2022

Meeting Open @ 10:36

In person attendance: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Lisa Wright, George Shaw

Zoom Attendance: Stewart Young, Judith Archer, Adam Pachter, Carlyn Nunes, Charmaine Gahan, Paula DiMare, David Warr, Dorothy Garfield, Margaret Frieswyk, Jon Winet, Leo Roy, Marla Garfield, Philip Houha, Sean Uiterwyk, Serena Davis Hall, Nancy Wilder, Bill Ardinger

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

*A motion was made to approve the minutes of March 11, 2022. Duly seconded. So moved. Stewart Young – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote. (Sarah Berry was not at the meeting at this point)*

Discussion about the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Two additional articles were added per Dan Perry's instructions.

*A motion was made to approve the Town of Gosnold match of up to \$42,400 for the Coastal Zone Management Grant of \$212,000 for fuel farm improvements and the Town of Gosnold match of up to \$37,400 of the \$106,000 USDA equipment grant for solid waste and electric. Duly seconded. So moved. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote.*

*A meeting of the Finance Committee was convened. A motion was made to approve the appropriation budget for FY23 with the total of \$1,316,942. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote. The meeting of the Finance Committee was adjourned @ 11:16 AM.*

Gail will be asking for additional money from CZM for the fuel farm, the grant will go in June 1. Foth is working on hard numbers for the fuel farm installation.

The town appropriated \$150,000 from harbor special projects for the fuel farm. Additionally, \$20,000 has been added into the FY23 budget for fuel farm operations.

Gail submitted a grant to Seaport Economic Council for \$300,000 for dredging design and permitting grant application. Town's match would be \$60,000; this would allow us to be shovel ready to when it's time to dredge.

*A motion was made to approve the certificate of the town for the land acquisition for the parcel at Tower Hill for \$160,000. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote.*

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

#### WATER:

Leo reported the water project weekly update had been posted on the website and Paula sent out the notice as well. All went well with the week's work; Dig It is almost at 4 corners and will move along next week. Expecting fill material to come next week on a barge. Notice to Proceed will go to Pawtucket Hot Mix on Monday to start the Tower Hill. The town employees have been very helpful; Dale, Russ, Wayne and Seth.

Bypass systems have been installed by DiMare's and bypass pipe is by Coast Guard Hill.

#### CLIMATE ACTION PLAN:

Jon Winet that they will be meeting with Vineyard Way and will travel to the Vineyard on June 9 via Seahorse. They will be producing public information. Jon hopes there will be information about the CPA at town meeting.

FUEL FARM: Gail will get in touch with Ralph for an update.

#### WIFI:

Discussion about WIFI, as the Cuttyhunk WIFI will be replacing most of their equipment this year. They are asking for a long-term agreement with the town to utilize the Coast Guard Boat House. They would like a commitment from the town before spending funds on Wifi infrastructure. Stewart will ask for Town Counsel's opinion. Cuttyhunk WIFI is a private business and the Harbor Committee subsidizes some costs to provide WIFI access to the marina and increasing service to the harbor. Leo suggested asking for a list of equipment they will be purchasing, especially if the town and Cuttyhunk WIFI enter into a contractual agreement.

The town already pays \$3500/year for WIFI. Sarah will write a list of questions for Dan Perry and Cuttyhunk WIFI.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER:

Matt Guttwil and Stewart have been working together to work on schedules and job description. The Board of Selectmen will ask Dan to draft a contract for employment. They are working on compensation, they put in \$10,000 salary in police budget, along with dockage fees.

#### BOARD OF HEALTH:

Two septic systems to review from Karen Walega for Pete's Place.

#### BUILDING DEPARTMENT:

Maybe it's time to review the building permit fees as it is confusing and unclear what the fees are. David Warr suggested that we review the permit process to loop in the ConComm.

#### USCG VISITOR CENTER:

Will Saltonstall was in touch with the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Red color is important for the roof, metal would be acceptable but they would prefer asphalt. The door on the west side may replace a window, interior will be cleaned up. It would be good to get the go ahead so we can order the materials.

CONCOMM:

Michael Parker resigned from the Commission; Stewart thanked him for his service. This is an appointed position; annual appointments will be posted next week. ConComm will be meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup>. David is terribly disappointed by Michael's resignation as he has been instrumental to the Conservation Commission. He was one of the founding members of the commission.

ELECTRIC LIGHT:

Electric Light Commissioners need to vote on the ELC budget at next meeting.

LIBRARY:

Lisa has been working with Dorothy on getting a computer for public access. Paula asked about our needs for WIFI and we will respond to her.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Midge reported the Selectmen have received the school budget. No children are slated for enrollment next year at this time.

An insurance issue canceled STEAM trips from the Falmouth school district. Midge would like to thank the people who have participated. There are 7 upcoming trips for May and June; along with a September overnight camp. Work being done on the school house will be paid for by ESSR grant money.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

The committee will finalize and vote on the wharf and harbor budgets at a meeting tomorrow 5/7 @ 10:00. Foth will be coming over soon to look at the marina floating docks and our next big project will be the rebuilding the public restroom.

*A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Roll Call: Stewart Young – here, Sarah Berry – here, Gail Blout – here. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned @ 12:26 PM.*

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Wright.

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G. Stewart Young

  
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Sarah Berry

  
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Gail Blout

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September 23, 2022