GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN August 21, 2020 – Via Zoom

Meeting open @ 10:32

Present: Gail Blout, Stewart Young, Sarah Berry, Sarah Smith, Lisa Wright, Michael Milanoski, Michelle Carvalho, Jay Merriam, Paula DiMare, Jane MacLeod, Leo Roy, Rose Goesttsche, Sarah Lehner, Serena Hall, Wyatt Garfield, David Frothingham

BOARD OF HEALTH:

Stewart Young visited Cuttyhunk yesterday and reported that most people were wearing masks but a few younger kids were not wearing masks. In his observations, he saw a few people at the ferry dock who were not wearing masks and a person jumped off the fuel dock which has been off limits to gatherings and jumping. Regulations are in place to stop the spread of Covid-19.

WATER:

Sarah Berry had a meeting with Environmental Partners, Alan Wilder and Russell Wright and looked at the maps of all the water connections. The map shows every meter and curb stop. Wayne Perrier is part of the project as he is mapping electrical lines.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

The Conservation Commission met and will meet again on September 11.

CEMETERY:

Christine Fairchild generously donated a piece of her property to the town for cemetery expansion. The piece has been appraised and also approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The transfer to the town should occur in the next couple of months.

ASSESSOR:

THE Department of Revenue will be coming to the island to look at finances and the structure of the town.

LIBRARY:

The next stage of the building process is working on the ramp and pathways for the handicap entrance. Stewart looked at the new library and said it's a great building and a nice addition to the town. Technically the library is still closed due to Covid-19 and does not provide curb side pickup via the internet like other libraries are doing.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

The Harbor Management Committee met on August 13; their next meeting is September 17. The fish shacks and trash are the current hot topics.

FUEL FARM:

There are two projects before the Conservation Commission regarding fuel service for Cuttyhunk. Ralph Packer sent a letter asking for modification on the Order of Conditions he received regarding the removal of the underground fuel tanks.

The Town of Gosnold filed a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission regarding the installation of new above ground fuel tanks and hopes to have a decision and positive action at their meeting in September.

The temporary fuel tanks, previously located north of the solid waste area, have been moved to the powerhouse, they will be filled next week. Gas and diesel are available behind the powerhouse on Saturday and Monday 9-10:30.

SCHOOL/STEAM:

There was discussion about options for the Steam Academy and whether is should be run under the town or under a non-profit organization; this will be a good discussion to have with the Department of Revenue. The School Committee met yesterday and will be sending out an email asking the community if there is any interest in school enrollment for the 2020/2021 school year.

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Gail is working with the Seaport Economic Council in New Bedford to apply for grant for the Coast Guard Boathouse. The hope is to repurpose the boathouse into a Visitor's Center to highlight the maritime history of the Elizabeth Islands.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

The Selectmen will work on the future of public safety on Cuttyhunk.

HUMAN RESOURCES.

The Selectmen reviewed Mary Aicardi's email of July 24. She will firm up the sections on retirement eligibility and work place violence.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 11:34.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

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Sarah Berry

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