

Town of Gosnold Selectmen's Meeting
July 5, 2022
In Person and by Zoom

In attendance:

Stewart Young, Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Sean Uiterwyk, Brian Murphy, Charmaine Gahan, Alden Anderson, Leslie Gray, Christina Watkins, Seth Garfield, Paula DiMare, Diane Croswell, David Warr, Marla Garfield, Baldwin, Seth Garfield, Michael Milanoski

Solid Waste

Alden Anderson and Nancy Wilder met with Asa Lombard a few weeks ago.

Alden Anderson reported that there are three needs:

- Signage to help answer questions about waste coming off of boats.
- Educating the public that they need to be provided bags: messaging that we have no obligation to take anchored boats' waste;
- Answering questions from residents about set hours for the transfer station to be open. People are wondering what to do with their household waste if they can't have it picked up.

Other details include:

- There is a noticeable reduction in the amount of garbage at the dock.
- Hours at the transfer station need to be set so people know.
- Frog Pond does collect the fee, but they don't necessarily hand out bags.
- Asa feels listened to.
- Enforcement is important.
- The dumpsters from last summer are being rented out.
- Construction waste will be addressed in the fall.

Seth Garfield

- On July 18th, there will be a Public Hearing on Cuttyhunk Shellfish's Aquaculture Permit.
- Underage driving still happens, especially on the rentals. The seasonal flyer will include a note about underage driving.
- Six speed bumps have been delivered. Seth will put them out during the day.
- July 4th was a very busy dock jumping day: it seems to be a phenomenon we can't stop; can we ask the safety person to have a life ring and watch after the ferry leaves. Seth will find the no jumping sign. Michael added that one plan might be to add a floating dock around the gas dock. No one is supposed to jump until the stern approaches the Ponzecchi dock. But once someone jumps everyone jumps. It's reasonable to ask the safety person to be observant.
- Channel: dinghies are on the south side; it needs to be patrolled. People pull their boats up where they're not supposed to be; they let their dogs loose. BBC/Audubon owns the land but Harbor is responsible for the water side. Audubon monitors the birds; BBC

manages the property. Flyers could be half sheet with information. Signage is clear enough: one sign with the message with the two messages.

- Seth will keep a log of emergency calls.
- The snow fences are helping at Church's Beach. There should be no parking up toward the neck or beyond the parking area.

Electric Light

Wayne Perrier reported on the wiring in the fish shacks.

- The fish shacks were wired 15 years ago.
- There is a lot of power being drawn down there now.
- Each shack has 60 amp service.
- He will be going into the shacks to do some work.
- He is concerned about the power that is being drawn down at the marina.

Insurance

Brian Murphy reported on Town Insurance.

- If the town has appropriate signage at the wharf, the Recreational Use Statute does insulate the town somewhat from liability at the dock.
- The actual cost of Worker's Comp is coming in under the estimate. He recommends moving the Worker's Comp back to MEGA, with the possibility of backdating it to July 1st.
- The Selectmen discussed covering voluntary folks.
- Brian Murphy reviewed town's insurance.

Stewart Young made a motion to transfer the Workman's Comp insurance to MEGA. A roll call vote was taken: In favor: Stewart Young, Sarah Berry, Gail Blout. The motion passes.

(Internet connection lost at 11:42 a.m.)

Climate Action Plan

Stewart Young reviewed the Climate Action Plan put together by Martha's Vineyard Commission. When it is re-formatted, he'll distribute it. It's an entry card to apply for various kinds of grants related to climate change.

Project Inventory

The project inventory will be reviewed by Selectmen.

Fuel Farm & Packer Fuel Spill Mediation

Michael Milanoski reported on the Fuel Farm project.