

GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

August 1, 2022

Meeting took place at Cuttyhunk Town Hall and via Zoom.

Meeting open @ 10:36.

In person: Sarah Berry, Gail Blout, Stewart Young, Sarah Smith, Lisa Wright, Nancy Wilder, Marla Garfield, Isabel Day, Paula DiMare

Via Zoom: Leo Roy, Jon Winet, Paula DiMare, Sara & Paul Lehner, Sean Uiterwyk, Horace Garfield, Shawna Buckley.

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A motion was made to approve the minutes of July 5. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

Nancy Wilder is concerned about the speed of vehicles once the roads are paved as currently people are driving too fast. This is a safety issue as well as a quality-of-life issue.

The town applied for additional funding from the Coastal Zone Management Resilience program for the fuel farm tank installation, site work, dock and pipe dispensing, mobilization and transportation. This amount is \$861,296.00 with a town match of \$287,098.00. With the first grant the total project would be \$1,148,394.00.

Sarah Berry will talk to Will Saltonstall about the bunkers repair to satisfy Audubon.

Gail reported she went to Chatham on July 26 for a grant award from the Seaport Economic Council. This is for the dredging design and permitting for the basin area for \$300,000; town match is \$60,000.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

Dan Perry is working on the authority of the Electric Light Advisory Board regarding a fee on the electric bills.

CEMETERY:

Gail had asked residents to indicate which kind of fencing they would prefer to see at the cemetery.

16 – Split Rail

9 – Granite Posts

1 – Wrought Iron

A motion was made to approve the amended cemetery regulations of 8/1/2022. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

ASSESSOR:

Sarah Smith reported that the tax rate will hopefully be set by the end of August, with tax bills going out in mid-September. Assessor Dawn Barnes will be leaving and recommends moving forward with Pam Bunker who is currently the Chilmark Assessor. When finished, the new valuations will be posted on the Gosnold website. The town does have Venmo now which can be used for people making donations.

LIBRARY:

There is a library benefit with local music on August 15 from 5 – 6:30.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

The School Committee is working on a building use policy. The application for STEAM to become a 501c3 (non-profit) has been submitted to the IRS.

FUEL FARM:

Ralph Packer will be removing the pipes on the dock and will excavate the contaminated soil. Common Sense will be present when the pipes are removed from the dock.

WATER PROJECT:

There was discussion about the bad dust along Gosnold County Road and up Bayview Drive to Bayberry Hill Road and the lower part of Broadway due to the construction and the drought. Leo reported that EP does not recommend using salt water to spray down the roads. The contractor has been using calcium chloride and potable water for the dust control when they are here. We need to conserve water as well; residents need to practice water conservation.

Dig It will begin drainage work on Broadway on August 8 which will last for a couple of weeks. After the stormwater work the week of August 15, then the well field work will begin. Paving will start after Labor Day and will be very disruptive for about a month.

A motion was made to approve Change Order #1 for Pawtucket Hot Mix of \$190,175.00 for a total of \$947,530.00. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

TAX CLASSIFICATION HEARING.

Lisa read the notice for the annual Tax Classification Hearing. Assessor Dawn Barnes recommends there be a single tax classification for the Town of Gosnold. *A motion was made to accept the recommendation of Dawn Barnes. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.* The public hearing will stay open until the new valuations are set.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 1:25 PM. Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Sarah Berry

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

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November 4, 2022