GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN September 4, 2020 – VIA Zoom

Meeting open @ 10:31

Present: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Debbie, Alan Wilder, Marla Garfield, Paula DiMare, Midge Frieswyk, George Shaw, Jay Merriam, Jon Winet, Leo Roy, Michelle Carvalho, Scott MacLeod, Shelly Merriam, Nina Brodeur, Asa Lombard IV

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Leo reported that the Conservation Commission will be meeting on September 11. He is hoping for a favorable finding regarding the public hearing for the installation of the above ground fuel tanks.

Ralph Packer submitted a Notice of Intent to the Conservation Commission for the removal of the under-ground fuel tanks. He received an Order of Condition after which he wrote to the Conservation Commission asking for some changes in the Order of Conditions. He received a letter back from the Conservation Commission which was written outside of a scheduled meeting. Leo hopes this issue will also be resolved at the September 11 meeting of the Conservation Commission.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

It was reported that the town received a grant from the Seaport Economic Council of \$425,000 (Town match of \$85,000) to convert part of the Coast Guard Boathouse into a Visitor Center.

The Department of Revenue will be visiting the island during the week of September 29 to conduct a financial management review.

Michael reformatted our agenda. A motion was made to accept the new agenda format. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote.

The Massachusetts Historic Survey has been completed and a report will be submitted by the end of September.

A motion was made to approve the warrants. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote.

A motion was made for the Board of Selectmen to enter into Executive Session. Duly seconded. Gail Blout – here, Sarah Berry- here, Stewart Young – here. The purpose of this Executive Session is to discuss the deployment of or strategy regarding securing personnel and to discuss strategy with respect to non-union personnel including combining multiple part-time positions that may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the town if held in open session.

We are waiting on the final Human Resources report from the Collins Center.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

Everyone should continue to wear masks, social distance and sanitize.

The signs regarding such have been taken from 4 Corners and the Main Dock. This is disappointing as everyone has been working hard to stop the spread Covid-19.

WATER:

Environmental Partners is coming to the island on September 18. The well project will go out to bid at the end of the month.

LIBRARY:

The Library is awaiting the arrival of the mason to complete the walk ways.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Harbor Management Committee is meeting on September 17 @ 9:00am.

SCHOOL:

Students in grades 2, 5 & 7 have requested registration packs. With student enrollment the budget will need to be increased. We will schedule a Special Town Meeting on October 2. There will be a Teacher position posted as well.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Conservation Commission will be meeting on September 11.

SOLID WASTE:

Michael indicated that solid waste should be run as an Enterprise Fund as it is currently running at a deficit and it would be easier to control costs.

As a reported the barge ramp needs some maintenance. The pulleys are frozen, someone is coming to look at it this weekend.

WIFI:

Cuttyhunk WIFI has been working on improvements. Michael Milanoski wants to meet with various parties to work on improving the internet overall.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Meeting adjourned @ 12:58pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

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