GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN January 9, 2023

Meeting open @ 10:30 AM

Meeting took place at Gosnold Town Hall and via Zoom

In person: Sarah Berry, Gail Blout, Stewart Young, Sarah Smith, Lisa Wright, Seth Garfield, David Warr, Paula DiMare, Charmaine Gahan

Via Zoom: Bill Ardinger, Dale Lynch, Christine Fairchild, Leo Roy, Marla Garfield, Nancy Wilder, Sean Uiterwyk, Alden Anderson, Carlyn Nunes, Jonny Winet, Paul Lehner, Philip Houha, Rosie Goettsche

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

A good portion of time was spent on reviewing the FY 2023 budget. Sarah will work on updating our grant/obligation list to make sure it is current.

BOARD OF SLECTMEN:

Sarah Smith reported that she is working on finding a new rural utility billing module which will save time with invoicing and people could see their accounts online and pay their bills online if they choose to.

A motion was made to approve the warrant for the Special Town Meeting on January 23, 2023. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote. The warrant will be posted today.

There was discussion about the AED (defribulator) in town hall; it should be easily accessible at all times.

There was discussion about job performance reviews and who should conduct them. There should be a list of suggestions and concerns. Sarah believes there should be a salary scale for all town positions.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER:

Stewart has been working with Bob Ferullo who's the Municipal Police Training Committee Executive Director. Bob is reaching out to various sources to help find a candidate for Cuttyhunk.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

The vehicle efficiency policy has been sent in. The town will need to work on an energy reduction plan.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

There was discussion about the drainage of waste water from the fish dock businesses. Karen Walega has been working on a solution that will satisfy the Board of Health and also the plumbing code.

Currently Gosnold is not on the list of nitrogen sensitive areas so new Title V regulations, if passed by DEP will not affect Gosnold.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

HMC will be meeting on January 21. They will be discussing the public toilet building and the RFP for the fuel farm concierge.

ASSESSOR:

Sarah Smith reported that she and Pam are working on the FY 23 tax rate and tax bills should go out in mid-April. The new auditor is working on the 2021 audit. Department heads should begin working on their 2024 budgets.

ELECTRIC LIGHT:

There was discussion about the role of the Electric Light Board which previously consisted of 3 individuals, now it's part of the Selectmen's position. Sarah believes this should be a board with professional capabilities that will manage the electric light budget, set rates, research technology and manage the department and work on a succession plan with the current manager.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 1:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Sarah Berry

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Gosnold Board of Selectmen February 24, 2023