

TOWN OF GOSNOLD SELECTBOARD

July 28, 20123

Meeting took place at Gosnold Town Hall and via Zoom.

In person: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Lisa Wright, Sarah Smith, Fran Veeder, Mayhew Seavey, David Warr, Duane Lynch, Dale Lynch, Wayne Perrier, Paula DiMare, Robert Galibois, Cape & Islands District Attorney and Jessica Elumba, First Assistant

Via Zoom:

Jonny Winet, Sean Uiterwyk, Marla Garfield, Gigi Brandes, Bill Blakey

Meeting open @ 10:30 AM

SELECTBOARD:

Robert Galibois, Cape & Islands District Attorney introduced himself along with the First Assistant Jessica Elumba. Rob has 64 employees and hears about 10,000 cases/year. Jessica is the first woman to hold the position as First Assistant. Their biggest challenge is dealing with mental health issues and they are launching a mental health court to assist with those cases. They believe in diversity, equity and inclusion and engagement in all communities. The Selectboard summarized Gosnold's needs for a Public Safety Officer and Rob and Jessica will come up with some ideas for staffing that position.

There have been complaints about late night dock parties.

DEP is requiring that the barge for the fireworks is moved $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile away from the bird nesting site on Barges Beach. The barge will move to the north and the Selectboard will work with the Buzzards Bay Coalition to control foot traffic.

Off shore wind mitigation funds may be available for view disruption. Possible sites include: Tarpaulin Lighthouse, Cemetery and USCG Boathouse.

Bill Blakey and Gigi Brandes attended the meeting on Zoom to discuss the Marine Renewable Collaborative; a MIT Program for marine renewable energy, specifically wave energy and the study of its social impacts.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

All paperwork has been submitted and we have received approval from the Attorney General's office from May town meeting.

ASSESSOR:

Pam Bunker is working on the abatement request for Naushon.

AVALON:

1 case of Covid has been reported, the person has been asked to mask and isolate when inside and mask if venturing out.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Conservation Commission will meet on August 14.

ELECTRIC LIGHT:

Wayne reported that 38 solar panels were damaged by lightning. The inverters were damaged and the batteries were drained to 30%; he rented a temporary generator from RA Mitchell. Mitchell will work on getting the 4 generators up to 100%. Wayne is getting estimates on the solar equipment repairs.

Mayhew Seavy of PLM explained that the electrical rate should be reviewed for FY 2024 and for the FY 2023 overage of +/- \$100,000 mostly caused by spikes in fuel. He reviewed the distribution rate and the fuel rate. Overall usage is much higher in the summer months and there is less solar output in the winter months. There was discussion about the marina and the extra load on the powerhouse due to the operation of the marina and large boats demanding more power. Mayhew will continue to work with Wayne and Sean to determine the electric rate going forward.

WATER:

Gail met with Dale and Russell on July 20 and then she met with representatives at the DEP to better understand the requirements of water testing. The Water Manager should be the one to conduct water testing on a monthly basis. We may be able to get waivers on some of the tests. Ben Sadler and Doug Murphy were both mentioned as possible new candidates for the water position.

FUEL FARM:

Duane reported that the fuel farm is getting close to completion and he will be working with SRS on Monday.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 1:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry