

GOSNOLD SELECTBOARD

June 30, 2023

Meeting open @ 10:30 AM

Meeting took place at Gosnold Town Hall and via Zoom.

In person: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Lisa Wright, Sarah Smith, David Warr, Phil Houha, Fran Veeder, Seth Garfield, Bonnie Veeder, Michael Milanoski

Via Zoom: Stewart Young, Leo Roy, Marla Garfield, Jon Winet, Ann Gary, Michelle Carvalho, Alden Anderson, Dorothy Garfield, Sean Uiterwyk, Kevin Nunes

SELECTBOARD:

There was discussion about the property insurance for the town as Brian Murphy of HUB International tried to bind coverage and is unable to do so; our insurance expires today. Many insurance companies will not bind coastal property due to climate change. Brian will work with the Mass Fair Plan to get coverage. Sarah Smith has been in touch with the Massachusetts Municipal Association and will work with them to get a quote and possible coverage beginning July 1, 2024.

Seth reported that he had been asked by a town official to take pictures of the rockpile and was verbally accosted by a resident and later threatened by that same person. Seth could file a formal complaint and finds the situation to be very frustrating.

The town's phone system is down and Daryl will come over tomorrow to fix it.

Alden Anderson reported that he and others are working on organizing a 5K for August 5 @ 8:30 AM, during fireworks weekend. They are hoping for 100 – 150 participants and monies raised will be split between Cuttyhunk Climate Action Network and the Fireworks. Insurance coverage has been submitted. Alden is hoping to make this an annual event.

GREEN COMMUNITY:

We are waiting on a letter from Margaret Frieswyk supporting the Energy Reduction Plan.

FUEL FARM:

Weather delays have caused welding delays. The pressure test should happen on July 7 and fuel can be delivered anytime after July 6, then Weights & Measures will come over during the week of July 10, with the hopes of selling fuel around July 14.

ASSESSOR: Pam Bunker and Sarah Smith will come over to the island next weekend.

LIBRARY: Bill Archer and Chris Hart are working on fixing the door. The July raffle is underway and the library will be open next week with the full-time summer schedule.

HARBOR:

There was a complaint made against an island resident who said inappropriate comments to an employee at one of the wharf shacks. George Isabel spoke to the resident and a letter from Town Counsel is forthcoming.

WATER:

The 2022 Consumer Confidence Report has been submitted to the DEP. Water bills have gone out.

STEAM/SCHOOL:

Michelle reported that the weather station in the school may have been damaged due to the lightning strike. The butterfly garden will be installed in the front of the school.

ELECTRIC LIGHT:

Seth reported that 2 transformers were hit and damaged during a lightning storm. We had 2 new transformers on hand and 1 rebuilt transformer which Seth and Wayne installed.

FIRE/FIRST AID/POLICE:

Seth reported there was a 911 call due to an oven fire caused by a mouse nest.

HIGHWAY:

Seth reported that a company will come over to examine the pipe by the drain at Conway's property; they'll dig out the pipe and put a camera down the pipe.

A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 11:54 AM, unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

Gail Blout

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

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September 8, 2023