

GOSNOLD SELECTBOARD

July 15, 2023

Meeting open @ 10:30

Meeting took place at Gosnold Town Hall and via Zoom.

In person: Gail Blout, Sarah Berry, Stewart Young, Sarah Smith, Lisa Wright, Michael Milanoski, Fran Veeder, Allen Decker, Van Spaulding, David Warr, Sean Uiterwyk, Bonnie Veeder, Jennifer Lynch, Dale Lynch, Seth Garfield, Ben Sadler, Duane Lynch

Via Zoom:

Carlyn Nunes, Rosie Goettsche, Diane Croswell, Phoebe Lambert

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The Spaulding family donated a Conservation Restriction to the Buzzards Bay Coalition. The IRS is auditing the transaction so the Spaulding's may receive a tax deduction for their donation. The Buzzards Bay Coalition is editing the boiler plate language in the document which is a statutory amendment, this does not change any part of the Conservation Restriction. *A motion was made to approve the amendment to the Spaulding Conservation Restriction held by the Buzzards Bay Coalition. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.* The Selectboard thanked the Spaulding Family for their generous gift.

There was discussion about pollution insurance for the fuel farm. As owners of the property we are required to have insurance. *A motion was made to acquire a two million dollar policy for pollution liability insurance for \$5,341.00 for one year. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.*

Gail and Leo met with the Woods Hole Group regarding alternative solutions to stabilize Barges Beach. There is about \$50,000 left over from a previous contract so they will use that to come up with a conceptual design. *A motion was made to approve the contract with the Woods Hole Group. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.*

Paul Lehner asked Gail for a letter from the Selectboard, allowing Paul to install solar panels on his house. Gail will get Paul the letter

*A motion was made to approve the minutes of May 13, 2023. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote.*

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER:

Lisa was in touch with the Bridgewater State College internship program. They may have candidates in the Criminal Justice program that would be interested in being the Public Safety Officer on Cuttyhunk. Lisa will be back in touch with them in early 2024 to hopefully find a person for the position for summer 2024.

#### FIRE/1<sup>ST</sup> AID/SAFETY

Seth reported on the large lightning storm we had early this morning. He shut the power off at 4:44 AM. Several transformers were struck and damaged. Seth and Wayne are replacing and/or repairing transformers. Porter's chimney was struck and damaged as well. The Selectboard thanked Seth and Wayne for their help in getting the power restored.

#### WATER:

Dale introduced Ben Sadler who is a licensed Plumber and has an Operator in Training license. Ben may be interested in taking the Water Manager position.

#### FUEL FARM:

The final agreement between the Operators and the Town still needs to be signed. The fence has been installed, the fuel shed roof is complete and the siding is nearly done.

#### ASSESSOR:

Sarah Smith and Pam Bunker came to the island last weekend and Pam was able to start her 10-year assessing cycle. The conversion from Vision to PK has begun.

#### BOARD OF HEALTH:

Karen Walega came to the island for the annual inspection of food businesses. Everyone passed.

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

The Conservation Commission will be meeting on August 14. There will be a visit to Naushon in October to review the projects there.

#### CUTTYHUNK CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK:

There was an incident of a bird disturbance on Barges Beach. There needs to be better communication with boaters so they are aware of the protection of birds and to not walk or let dogs walk through the roped off areas.

#### ELECTRIC LIGHT:

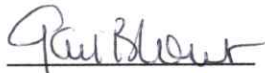
There will be a rate increase for the July billing. The Electric Light Commissioners need to determine the new rate at the next meeting.

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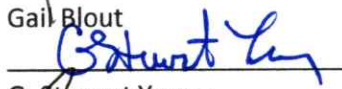
There is an event on August 12. There will be a presentation by Samuel Harps about Paul Cuffe who was born on Cuttyhunk. Samuel has written a play about Paul Cuffe's life and will share his experience and a video with the public.

*A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Meeting adjourned @ 1:10 P.M. Unanimous vote.*

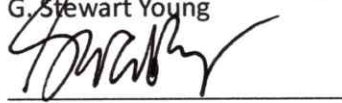
Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright



Gail Blout



G. Stewart Young



Sarah Berry

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October 20, 2023