

GOSNOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

January 4, 2019

Meeting open @ 10:20

PRESENT:

Stewart Young, Sarah Berry, Gail Blout, Lisa Wright, Chris Sidel, Ren Davidson, Ralph Cataldo, Michelle Costa, Paula DiMare, Seymour DiMare, Lexi Lynch, Bonnie Veeder, Midge Frieswyk, Kris Lombard, Michelle Carvalho, Kari Parcell, (Cape Cod Cooperative Extension) Heather Billings and Shomita (Center for Eco Technology).

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Stewart set the schedule for the Finance Committee to plan budgets for FY2020: March 15, April 12, and May 11 (Saturday).

SCHOOL:

Dr. Midge Frieswyk presented the idea of a STEAM Academy (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) for the 2019 -2020 school year. Potentially, there will be no students in the school next year. The focus of the STEAM Academy would be Oceanographic science for grades 6 – 8. The maximum enrollment would be 20 students/week for 26 weeks, along with chaperones. The cost for this program would be approximately \$187,000/year, funding would most likely be a combination of private and public funds, tuition would be charged to participating students. Housing is a major concern and there was discussion about housing options at Avalon and Pete's Place. Gail suggested that Midge make a formal request to Avalon Board.

There is urgency in making a decision regarding the STEAM Academy so that Michelle Carvalho can plan her future.

There will be a school budget for FY2020, as there are children from Naushon.

Midge and Michelle will work on the cost of accommodations and what is available, a committee for fundraising for the STEAM Academy, and a tighter budget.

SOLID WASTE:

Reducing waste on Cuttyhunk will directly impact the solid waste budget. The current cost for a barge is \$6500.00 which includes \$1000.00 of ramp fees. There was discussion about getting a cardboard bailer which needs to be indoors as does the bailed cardboard. DEP offers grants for bailers and equipment but not for operational costs and salaries. There was discussion about food composting and household compactors. The Town of Gosnold will become eligible for the DEP grant programs and can apply from April – June with awards occurring in the fall. Asa is looking at purchasing a skid steer to load heavy items into the dumpsters; approximate cost \$50,000. Asa will work with Kari on grant programs.

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*A motion was made to approve the minutes of October 26, 2018. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.*

The Buzzards Bay Coalition will attend the next meeting on January 18 to update the Selectmen on their progress for the land acquisition.

Mary Aicardi will come to the island on February 1 to begin the human resources evaluation.

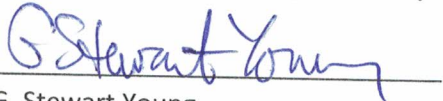
Gail has asked Bill Austin of Vineyard Land Surveying to look at a parcel labeled Exempt 12 which is adjacent to the fuel dock. The ownership of this parcel is unclear. The records are at Duke's County Registry of Deeds.

Ralph Packer has hired a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to handle permits and paperwork which is becoming more complicated. Gail has spoken to Dan Perry about creating an interim lease for one year for R.M. Packer.

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

There will be a meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee on January 29 at the Buzzards Bay Coalition.

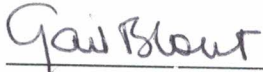
*A motion was made to adjourn. Duly seconded. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned @ 1:20.*



G. Stewart Young

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Sarah Berry



Gail Blout

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February 15, 2019