Minutes of Meeting

February 22, 2018

Board of Selectmen

Town of Long Island

Present: Chair, Marie Harmon, Selectmen Joe Donovan and Paul Watts; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator.

The meeting was convened at 5:00 PM with a quorum.

Selectmen reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the February 15, 2018 meeting.

● It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 meeting. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board reviewed its weekly correspondence.

The board reviewed committee openings. There is still an opening on the Planning Board. This will be discussed with Brad Brown.

The board discussed the replacement of the trash truck. There is an option of going with a box utility truck with a tilt and lift gates that could collect the trash as well as lift the portable trash and recycle containers on Mariners Wharf and South Beach. The truck would be compatible with the Transfer Station household waste ramp and compactor. It is estimated at $60,000. This will be reviewed at the Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, February the 28th along with the budget.
There was discussion on the Mariners Wharf project. Selectman Donovan and Brian will be attending a pre-construction conference the week of February the 26th.

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve signing the formal contract with Prock Marine for the renovations and construction at Mariners Wharf. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board met with Brad Brown, Chair of the Planning Committee. There was a review of the current membership and discussion of the vacancy. Anyone interested in serving should contact Brian Dudley, Town Administrator, at townadmin@longislandmaine.org.

Brad indicated that the Planning Board is not yet done with the review of the conditional use language in the ordinances. Brad and the board discussed starting the individual sub-division paper street reviews this summer with the goal of completing them one at a time.

There was discussion on the recently amended ordinance requiring septic system inspections within two weeks of any property transfers. This is causing a hardship for owners changing titles for estate planning purposes.

Brad presented a draft of some amendment changes that could accomplish this as well as extend the two week requirement for completion of the septic system inspection to at least 30 days.

There was also discussion on removing the notification requirement to the seller of a property as they would no longer have any interest in complying with a septic system inspection requirement. The town should be dealing only with the new owner at that point.

BUDGET

The board reviewed the FY 19 budget. Selectman Donovan updated the board on the Finance Committee meetings. The final meeting for the presentation by the board of the draft budget is scheduled for Wednesday, February the 28th at the Community Center.
The board discussed some outstanding issues from their budget reviews:

- A requested budget increase from LICLOC. The board is waiting for more information.

- Reducing the budget from $7,500 to $1,500 for Solid Waste Truck Repair. This line item reduction is based on the replacement of the current trash truck with approval at the town meeting. If that is not approved, then this budget item needs to be increased by +$6,000.

- Increase the fee for disposing of lobster traps from $1 to $2 and adding a new fee for disposing of old rope at the Transfer Station.

- Introduce at the town meeting the need for a replacement ambulance with the goal of fundraising and seeking grants for most of the funds required to obtain it. It is likely that an ambulance will be around $140,000.

There was board discussion on the interior wall repairs and painting of town hall. A contractor will start the project in March.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM. The next meeting of the Board is March 01, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brian Dudley