Minutes of Meeting

September 20, 2018

Board of Selectmen

Town of Long Island

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

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

Selectmen reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the meetings of September 13, 2018.

- It was Moved (Harmon), Seconded (Watts) and Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 13, 2018. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board reviewed its weekly correspondence. There was a communication regarding paper streets. The board intends to begin the paper streets review over a period of time, sub-division by sub-division, commencing with the Littlejohn/Red Sands Lane on October the 18th at 7 PM.

There was also a communication from LICLOC regarding the parking of the island CMP truck.

The board discussed the status of the Mariners Wharf project. The engineering/design firm will work with Johnson Boatyard to install additional floatation in the smaller new float below the ramp.

Brian informed the board that the new trash truck is here on the island and that he has demonstrated how the dump and lift gates work to John Burke and Jim Wilber.
Brian also informed the board that the Town of Pownal would remove the surplus fire truck from the island.

Brian updated the board on the possibility of adding the Rapid Renewal program for vehicle re-registrations. One town that is also a so-called manual town indicated that the loss of the agency fees is minimal.

The board reviewed with Brian the increases in fees for municipal solid waste (MSW) and recycling. Because of the turmoil in the international recycling market, mostly due to China’s new contamination standards, the cost for recycling disposal will increase from the current $0 per ton to $113 per ton. This will cost the island about $2,800 annually. There are also increases in other categories as well.

Pine Tree Waste has indicated that “cereal-like” boxes can now be processed together with corrugated cardboard which will keep the island’s costs down.

Brian noted that some communities are dropping recycling all together.

There was also some discussion on going to a larger container to cut down on trip fees.

There was discussion on paving. The next section of roads are scheduled to be paved in May of 2019. The contractor has requested the release of the retention funds from the last paving work they did.

The board met with Barbara Johnson, the Tax Collector to review the recent collection of property taxes. Barbara said that everything went well and all taxes, but for $17,000, have been received.

There was discussion on the on-going problem of building projects on the island without building permits. The board will review the existing penalties and consider additional increases where appropriate.

The board held its monthly Public Safety meeting. Fire Chief Will Tierney attended. Will is getting together the cost numbers for the Treasurer for the new turnout gear authorized at the town meeting. He is also working on the
SwimRun event invoices. The event coordinators will be meeting with the board in October.

There was discussion on the equipment/supply needs for the emergency shelter outside the Wellness Center and the need for new electronics for the rescue boat.

The meeting adjourned 7:07 PM. The next regular meeting of the Board is September 27, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brian L. Dudley