Minutes of Meeting

October 29, 2015

Board of Selectmen

Town of Long Island

Present: Chair Marie Harmon and Selectmen and John Condon and Joseph Donovan; Brian Dudley Town Administrator.

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

Selectmen reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

Ralph Sweet briefed the board on the new cemetery construction. A logging truck is taking the felled trees off the site. Gravel for reconstructing the Cushing Avenue roadway is on the way.

Ralph mentioned a new green burial process being used at some cemeteries which is far less costly. The board and Ralph will discuss this more in the future.

There was discussion on the LICLOC indemnification letter for the storage of the stumps. Steve Train initialed documents on behalf of LICLOC that allows that storage.

Zoeth Rich updated the board on the Marriner's Wharf repairs. The floats need repairs and the Fire Chief has asked for a cradle for the fire punt to be constructed. The cost for these projects is $2,000.

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Condon) and Voted to approve a contract with Colonial Woodworks not to exceed $2,000 for repairs to Mariner's Wharf. (Motion passed 3-0).

Zoeth also noted that only two floats will remain for the winter so as to avoid damage. This will leave approximately 40' of float space for the water taxis and other vessels.

Ed McAleney updated the board on the utility work at the Community Center. The septic system line is in and filled over to grade level. He has re-enforced the old water line. The back of the building has been rough graded and he will dig out a ditch for the propane line.

Pine Tree Plumbing is preparing a quote for a new water line to Town Hall.

There was a brief discussion on the need for a policy for memorial request on public property. This issue will be further reviewed in the future.

The board reviewed the draft minutes of the October 21st and 22nd meetings.

- It was Moved (Harmon), Seconded (Donovan) and Voted to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2015 board meeting. (Motion passed 3-0).

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Condon) and Voted to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2015 board meeting. (Motion passed 3-0).

Briana Warner, the Economic Development Director for the Island Institute and Nathan Johnson, a Long Island representative serving on the Island Institute board briefed the selectmen on some programs of the Island Institute.

There is an extensive broadband initiative underway with Tilson Technology that encompasses thirteen (13) island communities in Maine. Islesboro is already underway with its own project approaching $3,000,000 and Great Diamond is now serviced by Red Zone.

Briana invited the board to a conference in Rockport on November the 19th. Long Island will already be represented by Mark Greene, Curt Murley and Ralph Sweet.

A viable broadband system is a strong economic development tool.

The Island Institute is also working on Aquaculture, primarily a shellfish adaptation for lobster workers, Community Economic Planning (the concept of each island developing office co-ops) and grant writing.The Institute may return to Long Island to conduct a grant writing workshop for department heads.

Selectman Condon briefed the board on the Community Center project. He outlined some change orders that needed action.

- It was Moved (Harmon), Seconded (Condon) and Voted to approve Change Order #19 to add fire alarm wiring in the amount of $340.20. (Motion passed 3-0).

- It was Moved (Condon), Seconded (Donovan) and Voted to approve Change Order #20 to remove the vinyl trim panel for a credit of $1,200. (Motion passed 3-0).

- It was Moved (Condon), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve Change Order #21 to change to a three bay kitchen sink not to exceed $1,134. (Motion passed 3-0).

The building committee will be seeking contractor quotes for painting. Selectman Donovan expressed his desire that three (3) quotes will be obtained.

At the November 5th board meeting there will be a complete overview of where the project stands to date.

Fire Chief Papkee met with the board to review some departmental payroll issues. There was also an update on the fire truck replacement project. There will be additional testing of the apparatus. The board will vote soon on a final approval.

It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve an amended payroll for 2014-2015 LIF&R. (Motion passed 3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for November 5, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brian L. Dudley