

**Minutes of Meeting
March 26, 2020**

**Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island**

Participating: Joe Donovan, Chair; Selectmen John Burke & Marie Harmon; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator. Joining via video or telephone conferencing: David Donovan; Rennie Donovan; Mark Greene; Steve Hart; Doug McCown; Ed Rea; and Wes Wolfertz.

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

Selectmen reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. (Note: There was no board meeting on March 19, 2020 due to the closing of Town Hall because of Covid 19.)

- It was Moved (Harmon), Seconded (Donovan) and Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 12, 2020. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board reviewed correspondence received. Communications regarding Covid 19 were deferred until later in the meeting.

There was discussion on the Transfer Station. The use of an outside attendant from the mainland to help load the truck will be discontinued for the immediate future. On island manpower will be used.

The board discussed the sinkhole that had developed on the Bunny Hop. The hole will be temporarily repaired for now pending a more in depth review of the engineering and drainage issues associated with it.

Brian briefed the board on the following:

- 1) His discussions with two local marine contractors to provide annual inspections and necessary repairs to Mariners Wharf and Ponce's Landing;

- 2) Replacement of the outside contractor with island personnel for the weekly curbside pickup of trash;
- 3) Procedural changes on general assistance during the Covid 19 pandemic;
- 4) Transfer Station fees;
- 5) The old ambulance and trash truck will be advertised as surplus property.

Ed Rea joined the discussion with the board on the proposed budget and process from this point on. The materials that were to be presented at the public budget meeting on Saturday, March the 21st have been posted on the Town website. If necessary, the Town can continue under the current year budget if the annual town meeting can't be held before July the 1st due to Covid 19.

Brian noted to the board that the revised agreement with Pine Tree Waste is ready to be approved. This will be further discussed at the April 2nd board meeting. Brian noted the increased costs of recycling and the need to consider its possible elimination.

Amy Tierney gave an update from the Code Enforcement Officer on some pending permits.

The board discussed the Covid 19 pandemic and its continued impact on the island. A major concern still is the return to the island of people that have spent the winter elsewhere and the need to self-quarantine.

There was also discussion on whether or not to postpone the annual town meeting. This decision will be deferred for a few more days. In the interim, Town Hall will remain closed for public business and visitors at least until Tuesday, April the 14th.

The board opened the meeting up for public comment.

Mark Greene will be participating in a teleconference meeting with the Island Institute on Friday, March the 27th and will forward the summary of that discussion.

Steve Hart noted that there is no deadline from the State of Maine for the required changes that need to be made in the local shoreland zoning ordinance. The Planning Board report is an extensive document that needs thorough vetting

and public review and comment. There is a possibility that a special town meeting may have to be held for that report and its recommended changes. The report is now available on the Town website.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM. The next remote broadcast meeting of the Board is April 02, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley
Town Administrator