

Minutes of Meeting
April 14, 2022
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island

Attending: Marie Harmon, Chair; Selectmen: John Burke & John Wallace; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; Amy Tierney, Town Clerk; Lisa Kimball, Treasurer; and Steve Hart. Viewing Remotely: Toni O'Donnell; Joe Donovan; Mark Greene; Paul Thornton; John Lortie; Dianne Watts; and Doug McCown.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 07, 2022 as amended. (Motion passed 3-0).

Selectmen reviewed communications received. There were communications regarding an aquaculture lease off Cow's Island and a planned review meeting on April 20th; a planned Coast Guard training session on search and rescue; and an inquiry as to the town ordinances on vessel tie ups at Mariners Wharf, especially if overnight berthing is allowed.

Brian briefed the board on the following:

- 1) CPM Construction has started the MDOT project replacing some wave screen that was removed for the new pilings; the application for a Congressionally Directed Spending grant was submitted to Senator Susan Collins Office; an informational summary of the recent history of the Mariners Wharf project will be sent out prior to the town meeting; an informal inquiry has been made as to the disposition of the portable ramp used in February following the storm damage to the floats.
- 2) The Maine Department of Marine Resources is reviewing the submitted grant applications for a Coastal Program planning grant. The town has an application for Ponce's Landing.
- 3) Street sweeping is scheduled from April 18th through April 21st. Notices have been sent out. A follow up notice will be sent reminding residents that they can park on Island Avenue behind town hall during this time so as to keep the parking lot clear.
- 4) The State Legislature's housing bill is still being debated despite MMA opposition.
- 5) The town's Public Officials and General Liability policies now exclude coverage for claims based on communicable disease, viral or bacterial, i.e., Covid claims.
- 6) The work is completed for our annual worker's compensation coverage audit. The town has received a rebate in the amount of \$644.
- 7) The County is conducting a public health survey. Brian has forwarded that to Dr. McCann.
- 8) The Library and the Friends of the Library are holding a joint Zoom meeting Saturday morning at 9 AM.
- 9) The wi-fi installation for the Fire Station is scheduled for April the 18th.

The CEO has returned a dated building foundation permit since the codes have changed since the initial permit was filed. Two internal plumbing permits have been filed. The Hardshell Cafe submitted a revised site plan review application today.

From the Clerk's/Tax Collector's Office, Bob Konczal was on the island April 13th. Outstanding property taxes due are \$26,000 made up of 19 parcels. The town report is at the printers.

At the Wellness Center's the physical therapy program is going very well. Covid booster shots were given to 30 people on Sunday. There will be an Earth Day cleaning project sponsored by the Wellness Center.

Joe Donovan gave a brief report on the Casco Bay Ferry terminal renovation project. Interior lighting in the waiting area and the new quiet room are nearly done and the final parking lot paving should start soon.

Steve Hart noted that the Planning Board is meeting on April the 18th to begin the site plan review application for the Hardshell Cafe. Also, there are also two members whose terms are expiring that would like to be reappointed.

Mark Greene noted that the Maine Housing Foundation has earmarked \$3,000,000 for island housing projects. He would like to see the board review the site between Wreck Cove and the Transfer Station as a possible future location for cluster housing.

As a courtesy, Joe Donovan announced to the Selectboard that he will be a candidate for the position being vacated by Marie Harmon.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM. The next meeting of the board is Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator