

Minutes of Meeting
May 19, 2022
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island

Attending: Marie Harmon, Chair; Selectmen: John Burke & John Wallace; Selectman-Elect Joe Donovan; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; Amy Tierney, Town Clerk; Lisa Kimball, Treasurer; Karen Norcross. Viewing Remotely: Dennis McCann; Brenda Singo; Mark Greene; Matt Byers; Jean McAleney; Steve Hart; Joe Donovan; Rennie Donovan; Dianne Watts; Janice Avignon; and Wes Wolfertz.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 12, 2022. (Motion passed 3-0).
- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Harmon) and Voted to approve the annual town meeting minutes of May 14, 2022. (Motion passed 3-0).

Selectmen reviewed communications received. There were communications regarding the Genesis housing initiative and follow up on the amended warrant articles passed at the annual town meeting.

Brian briefed the board on the following:

- 1) Brian has reached out to the Sheriff's Office to execute the summer patrol contract.
- 2) The bid specifications for the sale of Lot #431 are being drafted.
- 3) A request has been made to update the road paving estimates.
- 4) Information for the renewal of the Town's insurance package is being gathered.
- 5) The auditors postponed their pre-work session at town hall due to Covid.
- 6) Brian has asked CPM Construction to move their barge so that the floats and ramps for the east side of Mariners Wharf can be put in.
- 7) GEI Consultants, the town's marine engineering and design firm, will be doing an in-depth review of the Mariners Wharf underlying infrastructure following the winter storms next week.
- 8) Brian needs to get back to town counsel regarding their recommendation that the Board needs to have an independent investigation regarding an unauthorized banking incident on April 22, 2022.

- It was Moved (Harmon), Seconded (Burke) and Voted to conduct an independent banking and personnel investigation as to a banking transaction on April 22, 2022. (Motion passed 3-0).

Dennis McCann spoke on the current rise in Covid cases across the country. He noted that masking has become a personal decision.

There was an update from Joe Donovan on the renovations at Casco Bay Lines. Staff training is underway and striping of the parking lot is next.

Janice Avignon noted that there needs to be an implementation committee following the approval of the new Comprehensive Plan. There is a planned open house in July to discuss the plan further.

From the CEO: There were no new permits requested. Two approved permits are still pending the fee payment. The Planning Board sent its Findings of Fact on the site plan review for Hardshell Cafe. The town's attorney has received a communication regarding a lot access issue.

From the Town Clerk/Tax Collector: There were 88 people at the annual town meeting. There is a primary election on June 14th. Business license renewal letters have been sent out and the public hearing is June 16th for the annual licenses. There are still six delinquent properties representing \$9,133 in outstanding taxes due.

At the Wellness Center: there are seven regular attendees at the weekly physical therapy program. Grants are being sought for nhandicapped access ramps for homes and the South Beach pathways. Soups continue to be delivered to island residents.

Selectman Wallace spoke about rumors circulating on the island and requested a public forum to discuss the issue. It was noted that the motion approved earlier in the board meeting to conduct an independent investigation is part of the same issue that these rumors are based upon and that perhaps it would be best to complete that process first. Two members of the public supported the request.

Jean McAleney noted the need to obtain her state licenses prior to June 16th so she can get her FSE license approved at that time.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM. The next meeting of the board is Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator