

Minutes of Meeting
August 04, 2022
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island

Attending: Joseph Donovan, Chair; Selectmen: John Burke, John Wallace; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; Amy Tierney, Town Clerk; Dave Singo, Ed McAleney and Steve Hart. Viewing Remotely: Camille Wolfertz; Doug McCown; Rennie Donovan; Dianne Watts; and Mark Greene.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meetings.

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2022. (Motion passed 3-0).

Selectmen reviewed communications received. There were communications regarding:

- 1) Property abutting Apple Tree Cemetery and the rebate of property taxes in accordance with State law. (Note: A generous offer was received from the Thomas family last year to donate an abutting lot next to the cemetery. Upon a property survey conducted to determine the property description for the Registry of Deeds, it was discovered that the lot is already owned by the

- town. The municipal officers have the authority without application to abate up to three years of back taxes).
- 2) Use of Mariners Wharf by summer camps. It was noted by Rippleffect that another Casco Bay based group is sending campers to Long Island throughout the week as well.
 - 3) The possible transition of the island flag initiative to a volunteer group.
 - 4) Sheriff's house update. Wifi and telephone service need to be activated.
 - 5) Requests to use the Community Center. To date there have been no conflicts. Still seeking a Community Center Coordinator. Brian will re-post the vacancy.
 - 6) There was some followup on the discussion held the week prior on the burning of the whale carcass. Selectman Burke noted that he looked at the remains which are covered under a tarp.
 - 7) The Mariners Wharf inspection report was forwarded to the board by Brian.
 - 8) The Finance Committee is meeting on Saturday, August the 27th at the Community Center.
 - 9) Casco Bay Lines finally delivered the refreshed portable toilets.
 - 10) Selectman Wallace is getting an estimate for some additional swim buoys at South Beach. Boats are mooring too close to the beach.
 - 11) There was discussion on the abandoned black jeep near the New Hill Cemetery. The owner has been notified.
 - 12) Selectman Wallace noted that he may have found someone interested in doing the administrative work as the Cemetery Coordinator. If so, he would assist in the on-site coordination issues between families and contractors.

Brian briefed the board on the following:

- 1) Brian reminded everyone about the platform changes instituted by Zoom and the possibility of some disruptions.
- 2) There have been outreaches by the Long Island Historical Society, the Recreation Committee and the Oceanside Trust for use of the Community Center.
- 3) Brenda Singo reached out regarding establishing a flag replacement fund.
- 4) The portable toilets are back.
- 5) CMP has confirmed a delivery date for the replacement LED street light fixtures of August 10, 2022. Installation should begin soon thereafter.
- 6) Brian met with Rennie Donovan at the Sheriff's house. She has agreed to assist in the oversight of the facility by tracking household inventory and completing the remaining furnishing required. John Burke will dispose of the old twin mattresses from upstairs. The stairway and upstairs rug still needs to be removed and replaced with new flooring similar to the downstairs.
- 7) The town has received a \$319 refund from the 2022 MMA workers compensation trust.
- 8) Brian is meeting with CPM Construction at Ponce's on Tuesday to discuss the replacement of the three missing pilings. He is also working with GEO Consultants on the engineering/design contract for Ponce's.
- 9) Brian is meeting with MDOT next week to discuss the SHIP grant application for the Mariners Wharf wave screen project. The GEI Consultants marine survey has been received.

- 10) Brian reminded the board that they need to act on the new road services contract and the selection of an auction house for Lot #431.

The board reviewed the road services contract.

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Burke) and Voted to approve the road services contract with McAleney & Company. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board discussed the two proposals received from auction house companies to sell Lot #431.

- It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the proposal submitted by Keenan Auction Company for the sale of Lot #431.

Dave Singo discussed with the board the proposed 2022-23 deer/turkey reduction program.

Seasons:

Expanded Archery:	09/10/222 to 12/10/22
Archery:	10/01/22 to 10/28/22
Shotgun:	10/31/22 to 12/10/22
Muzzleloading:	11/28/22 to 12/10/22

****Exceptions to these dates: No Hunting on Halloween, Thanksgiving and the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Requests from Deer Reduction Committee:

- 1) Deprivation hunters with night hunting permission may hunt with bow only until 01/14/23, but excluding the week of 12/23/22 to 01/03/23.
- 2) Turkey season from 09/19/22 to 11/12/22. (**NOTE:** This is a one extra week over previous turkey hunting seasons that requires the state's permission as well as the Town's.)
- 3) LICA property hunting, i.e., the ballfield from 11/01/22 to 11/20/22 (Pending LICA Approval).
- 4) Hunters must display on parked vehicles signage indicating "Hunting in Progress".
- 5) Bait Stations: South Beach (Burke Property); Transfer Station; Conservation Area beyond Ross Road; and the Ballfield (Pending Approval) and/or Wreck Cove.

Chair Donovan expressed his concern with adding an extra week, if the State allows it, to the turkey hunting season. With only four turkeys taken last year, it does not seem to warrant an additional week. He also encouraged all potential hunters to get their applications in early.

Thirty-five deer were taken last year, eight by shotgun and four turkeys were taken, all by shotgun. There were twenty-seven authorized hunters last year with fifteen getting one or more deer. Dave indicated that the Preble Street Soup Kitchen will take a deer if it has been skinned prior to delivery to them.

Dave indicated that keeping the turkey population down helps prevent coyotes from coming to or staying on the island. He also noted the increase in the prices for corn for the feeding stations.

Chairman Donovan and Selectman Wallace think we should receive more public input before finalizing the seasons. Hopefully, that can occur during the meeting of August the 11th.

From the CEO Office: The CEO has approved the new building permit from Peter Evans. The applicant has asked to maintain his Airstream trailer on site. However, the use of the trailer has already exceeded the two six month allowances within a five year period as permitted by town ordinance. It is the recommendation by the CEO and supported by the Board, not to allow any extension of time for the trailer. It must be moved.

There was discussion on any additional fees required for use of a trailer during construction under an approved building permit. The board felt that the building permit fee covered that.

The CEO is reviewing an application for a deck replacement. However, the CEO has warned the applicant that it must meet setback requirements.

From the Clerk/Tax Collector: The Assessor's Certificate of Assessment and the Certificate of Assessment to the Treasurer are ready for signature by the board. Tax bills are printed and ready to be

mailed along with a brief summary of the new tax stabilization program for seniors.

From the Wellness Center: Maine Health has terminated their Care at Home program and will stop visits to Long Island on August the 15th. Hopefully a replacement can be found through NorthernLight. There is a trivia night fundraiser on August 31st.

Chairman Donovan then gave some updates to Casco Bay Lines. There will be some boat reductions due to staffing issues. The 5:00 AM, 7:15 AM and 11 AM boats from Portland down will be eliminated as well as the 6:05 AM off the island. Gates one through three have been cleaned up. Things are still very busy this summer at CBL.

The next meeting of the board is Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator