

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**October 20, 2022**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Town of Long Island**

Attending: Joseph Donovan, Chair; Selectmen: John Burke, John Wallace; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; and Jim Wilber. Viewing Remotely: Ed Rea; David Donovan; Mark Greene; Melanie Nash; Steve Hart; Diane Watts; Paul Thornton; and Lou Sesto.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meetings.

- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of October 13, 2022. (Motion passed 3-0).

Selectmen reviewed communications received. There were communications regarding: PFAS chemicals in firefighting foam (Fire Chief is reviewing LIF&R inventory); Parking lot lights (Repairs have started); FY22 audit report distributed; Water quality results accepted by the State (Town rating may improve); Moorings on Cow Island; Johnson Hill Street light adjustment request; Need for street lights on Apple Tree Lane during the winter months; suggestions for town ordinance on accumulated trash and junk; Seal carcass on Fowlers Beach; Update on island resident willing to do design work for a new fire station; recyclables; and an update on the deer reduction season.

Brian briefed the board on the following:

- 1) Senator Breen has re-scheduled for 5:30 PM on Thursday, October the 27th for a legislative update.
- 2) Auction of Lot #431: I spoke with Phil Saucier regarding the deed. He has forwarded it and the board needs to approve and sign the Municipal Tax Release Deed. I will file the Transfer Tax Declaration form. I spoke with Amy regarding the assignment of

property taxes and their proration for this fiscal year. Expenses came in \$4,900 below the 10% buyer's premium.

3) Waterfront Committee: Laurie Wood would like to serve. First meeting set for November 10th at 2 PM via Zoom.

4) Johnson Hill subdivision: I spoke with a resident there complaining about the light not working properly. I told him that I needed the pole number and will have CMP adjust it.

5) Cardboard compactor maintenance service scheduled for next week. Awaiting a firm date. Asked them to service the trash compactor as well.

6) Beach Avenue culvert scheduled to be cleaned out next week.

7) Winter Parking Notice: Draft of public announcement to be sent out.

The board discussed the sale of Lot #431.

- It was Moved, Seconded and Voted to approve the Municipal Tax Release Deed as prepared by town counsel for Lot #431. (Motion passed 3-0).

From the CEO Office:

1. The owner of the property with three sheds picked up and returned new building permits.
2. Again, there was no response from the plumber for the 20 Eastern Avenue project.
3. Additional structural details requested by the CEO were sent in for shed on another property.
4. A permit for a garage project is being reviewed.

From the Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

1. Election day counters and workers are all lined up. There have been 28 absentee ballots issued.
2. Dog licensing for 2023 has started with 3 renewal licenses issued.
3. There are now 19 parcels owing \$11,728 in property taxes.
4. The deadline for the State Property Tax Stabilization program is December the 1st. A total of 18 applications have been issued and an additional 30+ are potentially eligible.

From the Wellness Center:

1. There will be a virtual auction after Thanksgiving.
2. There is a soup lunch scheduled for Monday, October the 24th.
3. The Casco Bay Lines Quiet Room is finished.

Steve Hart updated the board on the recent Planning Board meeting where a proposed requirement for new home construction to include a sprinkler system was discussed. Representatives from the State Fire Marshal's Office did not participate in that meeting. The large upfront cost, ongoing maintenance and impact on the island water supply were noted.

Mark Greene updated the board on the continued progress of the property data gathering phase of the revaluation process. Mark also noted that the Island Institute was holding a meeting on the proposed lobster regulatory issues.

Joe updated activities at Casco Bay Lines. There was an Operations Committee meeting reviewing the past summer season which saw a lot of passenger, freight and other traffic issues. The inconsistency of the arrival/departure times for the morning freight boat is a direct function of freight volumes. He also noted that Clink has been slow to pick up the metal cages at CBL which could impact the future of the program.

Dianne Watts updated the board on her review of returnable bottles and cans options and the possible acquisition of a glass crusher. Melanie Nash suggested using the Island Institute as a resource to see what other Maine islands are doing in this area.

There were no other public comments. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

The next meeting of the board is Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator