Minutes of Meeting
February 02, 2023
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.

Attending: Joseph Donovan, Chair; Selectmen: John Burke, John Wallace; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator. Viewing Remotely: Matt Byers; Ed Rea; Mark Greene; Steve Hart; Ed Rea; Steve Hart; Melanie Nash; Jim Schine; Peter Thornton; Paul Thornton; Jeannie McAleney; Rennie Donovan; and Barbara Johnson.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

Old Business:

➢ **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 January 26, 2023. (Motion passed 3-0).

➢ **Review of Communications Received:**

Selectmen reviewed communications since the last meeting. There were communications regarding: Year round housing.; The availability of surplus property from Cumberland County.; A letter to the City of Portland regarding public safety at the Casco Bay Lines Terminal.; Feral Cats update.; A question regarding the Keeping Warm grant.; An update on the town-owned home on Beach Avenue.; Returnable bottles and cans.; and a request for the Zoom meeting link for the upcoming Waterfront Committee meeting.

➢ **The Town Administrator updated the Board on the following on-going items:**

1) Mariners Wharf: Awaiting the official funding grant award letter from HUD. Checking with Dan Bannon on environmental permits received for previous work and their current applicability. Still waiting to hear back from MDOT on a meeting regarding town and state responsibilities for Mariner's Wharf.

2) Heating Grant: Received, approved and processed a second application. A third application was initially rejected based on information submitted. The applicant will re-submit. Forwarded the applications and information sheets to Alana Rich for distribution.

New Business:

1) I'm registered for a day long Zoom meeting on current and proposed changes in Maine General Assistance laws.
2) I'm also registered for a gravel roads informational seminar in May through the local roads center of MDOT.
3) Communication received requesting use of the Community Center as a backup in case of inclement weather for the Linda Papkee Community Picnic.
4) Brad Brown would like some feedback on the proposed ordinance he sent regarding accumulated trash on private property. This is an item that would be required to go to the annual town meeting for approval.
5) Meeting with Joe Donovan, Senator Pierce and Representative Moriarty Monday morning to discuss issues of importance to the island.
6) Received an update from Portland Harbor Commission stating that the Governor has withdrawn $10 million from their project grant application. They are seeking letters/communications of support to override this action.
7) Received a donation request from Through These Doors. This is the agency that the Sheriff's Office referred the ongoing domestic violence calls from the same Island Avenue residence here on Long Island.
8) I have given the Selectmen a copy of current LRAP eligible projects.
9) Mark Greene sent an email regarding a Housing Coordinator position in the FY 24 budget.
10) Received an answer from our insurance agency stating that volunteers are covered under our policies for liability. Sent that information to Ralph Sweet.

➢ **Code Enforcement Office (CEO) Updates:**

The CEO is not in the office Friday, February the 3rd. Jim Nagle continues to work on the resolution to the Floyd Street multiple sheds issue.; Two of the alleged land use violations on Lot #376 have been resolved.; An Eastern Avenue plumbing permit still not submitted.

➢ **Town Clerk/Tax Collector Updates:**

Property tax bills are being mailed. Tax payments already being received from escrow companies.

➢ **Wellness Center Updates:**

NorthernLights will be on the island February the 7th and the 21st. Martin's Point will be here on February the 3rd. A soup lunch is scheduled for February the 13th. Physical Therapy resumes on February the 6th.

Meetings/Hearings:

There were no meetings or hearings this week.

Board/Committee/Project Updates:

Steve Hart briefed the board again on the issues regarding LD 2003, the state's new housing legislation. He will forward a more detailed summary to Brian for use in discussions with the town's legislative delegation.

Joe Donovan asked if the proposed new home construction sprinkler requirement ordinance, if approved by the Planning Board, would be sponsored by them or the Long Island Fire & Rescue Department.

Mark Greene noted that the Assessing Agent, Bob Konczal is working on the field data that was submitted.

Beth Marchak updated the status of the town ListServ. Sign up is available on the town website. When you sign up you will receive a confirmation email.

Ed Rea noted that the next meeting of the Finance Committee is Wednesday, February the 8th.

There was a discussion on the need to include the repair of the town gravel roads in the next CIP. There are already approved monies for roads from previous town meetings. Mark Greene asked if the town would be better served paving the gravel roads.

Joe Donovan noted that Casco Bay Lines held a workshop with employees present regarding the summer sailing schedules.

Public Comments:

There were no additional public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM. The next meeting of the board is Thursday, February 09, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator