Minutes of Meeting
March 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; Paul Thornton; Ed Rea; Brad Brown; Toni Wilcox; Rennie Donovan; Jim Schine; Dianne Watts; Doug McCown; Ed McAleney; Peter Thornton; Steve Hart; Camille Wolfertz; and Ralph Sweet.

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 February 16, 2023. (Motion passed 3-0).

➢ **Review of Communications Received:**

Selectmen reviewed communications since the last meeting. There were communications regarding: The Finance Committee meeting and scheduled budget hearing now moved to March the 25th.; Additional information on the proposed new radio system for Long and Chebeague Islands.; The need to post a notice regarding no passing of a stopped school bus with flashing lights.; An update from Selectman Burke regarding the review of existing town ordinances.; and A reminder not to park on town roads during snow storms.

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

1) Mariners Wharf: Met with Dan Bannon of GEI Consultants. Reaching out to the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) to extend the permit that expired in 2021. MDOT Maintenance & Operations has responded to meeting with them to review state and town responsibilities. Received the official letter of grant approval for the $477,000 for the wave screen project on Mariner's Wharf.

2) Ponce's Landing: Waterfront Committee meeting again on March 16, 2023 at 2 PM. The Department of Marine Resources has reimbursed the town $19, 629 for the engineering/design work at Ponces.

3) Heating Grant: Received one more inquiry. Applicant does not meet income guidelines. Will send out another reminder notice.

New Business:

➢ **Town Administrator Updates:**

1) County is doing an inventory of food pantries in the region.

2) County doing a fire/ems survey. It was forwarded to Will Tierney.

4) GPCOG is hosting a meeting on the legislation to postpone LD 2003.

5) Setting up a meeting with John Burke and Melanie Nash to review town ordinances revisions.

6) The review committee for the CDBG grants recommended the school heat pump project. The Municipal Oversight Committee must approve which meets on March the 15th.

7) Coordinating a meeting date with Avesta to discuss with Mark Greene and I possible housing initiatives on the island.

8) Met with Joe Schnupp to discuss long term public safety solutions for the island.

➢ **Code Enforcement Office Updates:**

The CEO received an application to rebuild a dock at 940 Island Avenue.

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

All dogs have been registered on the island. Property tax payments are at 50% of the total amount due.

➢ **Wellness Center Updates:**

Northern Light will be on the island again on March the 9th. A soup lunch is scheduled for March the 6th. An application is being filed for a beach access wheelchair.

Meetings/Hearings:

There were no meetings or hearings this week.

Board/Committee/Project Updates:

Ed Rea noted that the FY 24 budget process is continuing and the next meeting of the Finance Committee is March the 8th.

Mark Greene noted that Bob Konczal is making progress on the field information he has received for the revaluation project. Mark noted the meeting hosted by the Island Institute on housing. Maine Housing has grant funds available for unbridged island communities. He also noted that the year round housing goal isn't to provide low income housing, but affordable housing for workers. The availability of water is a major consideration. Joe Donovan noted that the new state law regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) might be helpful.

Joe noted that CBL continues to work on the summer sailing schedules. The concrete pier extensions are in transit and the Machigonne is in dry dock for maintenance.

Jay Wallace noted that the Parking Committee has met three times and is in the process of writing up its recommendations. Sending a letter to the owner of the Island Avenue

condos reminding him that there is no parking in front of the condos was discussed. Steve Hart and Peter Thornton noted that the Planning Board review of the condo project required parking on the water side of the building.

Public Comments:

There were no additional public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM. The next meeting of the board is Thursday, March 09, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator