Minutes of Meeting
May 04, 2023
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.

Attending: Joseph Donovan, Chair; Selectmen John Burke and John Wallace; Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; Amy Tierney, Town Clerk; Lisa Kimball, Treasurer, Viewing Remotely: Steve Hart; Diane Watts; Mark Greene; Rennie Donovan; Ed Rea; Brad Brown; Matt Byers; and Ed McAleney

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 April 27, 2023 (Motion passed 3-0).

➢ **Review of Communications Received:**

Selectmen reviewed communications since the last meeting. There were communications on: The proposed accumulated junk ordinance.; The town warrant articles.; The murals for the Pottery Room.; Interments at New Hill Cemetery.; A boat building class for the Recreation Department.; and, Comments on the initial parking report.

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

Old Business Updates:

1) Mariner's Wharf: Copia contractor expects to have completed 25 of the pilings wrapping by Friday. They have discovered that the Zinc runs higher on the piles than estimated by MDOT and they are awaiting further input from them. Their $625 check was received for use of the east side float.

2) Ponces Landing: Lisa sent out an email regarding an explanation of the project for the town meeting. .

New Business Updates:

1) Housing: Workforce Housing Group is scheduled to meet May the 11th.

2) Reached out to the Sheriff's Office as a follow up to our discussion with Chebeague island regarding having an island constable. Trying to coordinate a meeting with them, a Chebeague representative(s) and myself.

3) Fortis sent an estimate for replacing all of the equipment there and placing it at grade level. It is about $5,000. The test results came back within acceptable ranges and are similar to the 2020 results.

4) Another reminder that there will be a Veterinary Clinic on Sunday, May the 14th. Contact Rennie Donovan to schedule an appointment.

5) Still waiting for the 2023-2024 insurance package renewal. Boat renewal came back at +11% or +$765.

6 The required DEP biennial recycling report was submitted Monday.

7) Gravel roads meeting with the MDOT Local Roads Center was rescheduled due to the weekend storm.

8) Reached out to GPCOG and Cumberland County regarding resources to assist towns with code enforcement.

9) Reviewed some road issues with Ed McAleney. There are some blind corners at Wicked Corner where the brush needs to be trimmed back. Some new No Parking signs are needed at South Beach.

10) Forwarded pictures of downed trees across the path in the Conservation Area to Mike Lingey and John Lortie to take a look at.

11) Confirmed Keeping Warm Grant invoice and supporting documentation requirements with Cumberland County. The total of all grants awarded was $7,568.

12) Reached out to Clynk regarding island pick ups of returnables.

- **Code Enforcement Office Updates:**

No updates.

- **Town Clerk/TaxCollector Updates:**

A total of $20,6730 is still outstanding in property taxes. There were 100 vehicle registration to be done this month. ATV registrations expire on June the 30th.

- **Wellness Center Updates:**

Northern Lights will be here on May the 9th. There is a physical therapy session on May the 22nd.

The board discussed the revised town warrant articles as amended at the Board's Special Meeting on May 03, 2023. Ed Rea will forward the final proposed FY24 budget to Curt Murley for posting on the town website.

- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the final town warrant articles for the May 13, 2023 annual town meeting. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board noted that the two parking constables meet with the Town Clerk to discuss the accumulation of parking tickets on the island.
The board discussed the proposal to re-use the Marine Building on Wharf Street as a workout center for Island residents. Lisa Kimball noted that the benefits would include physical therapy programs, an improvement in island wellness, encourage new families and enhance the strength of the community. Mark Greene thought this possible utilization of the building was a good idea.

- ➢ It was Moved (Donovan), Seconded (Burke) and Voted to allow the continued exploration by Lisa Kimball of the feasibility for such a project. (Motion passed 3-0).

The board discussed planned work projects at the VFW Hall. Grub spraying, lawn re-seeding and culvert cleaning are needed. There are also plans to modify the stairway to the beach by re-locating the entry point off to the side to keep pedestrians off the septic system area. The town will handle the culvert cleaning portion of the projects. There is currently $20,000 in a VFW reserve account to pay for these projects.

Board/Committee/Project Updates:

Steve Hart discussed the latest status of legislation to delay the implementation date of LD 2003. It was agreed that the town meeting should either withdraw the proposed ordinance change warrant articles or vote them down.

Joe Donovan updated activity at Casco Bay Lines. The freight department is getting busy. The concrete pouring was delayed due to rain last week.

There is some discussion on the continued pick up of Clynk bags. Brian has reached out to Clynk to suggest a meeting to discuss options.

Meetings/Hearings:

There were no Meetings/Hearings

Public Comments:

It was noted that freighted items delivered to Mariner's Wharf have been missing off the dock. People should arrange to meet the boats when their items and materials are being delivered.

There was an inquiry as to the status of the proposed Cemetery Committee. Currently there are only two people willing to serve.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM. The next meeting of the board is Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator