Minutes of Meeting
May 01, 2024
Board of Selectmen
Town of Long Island
(NOTE: All Selectboard meetings are recorded and available on the town website.)

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.

Attending: Joseph Donovan, Chair; Selectmen John Burke; John Wallace. Brian Dudley, Town Administrator; Amy Tierney, Town Clerk; and Jane Oldfield Spearman.

Selectmen previously reviewed the weekly Town Warrants.

Old Business

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the last meeting.

- It was Moved (Burke), Seconded (Wallace) and Voted to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 24, 2024 (Motion passed 3-0).

➢ **Communications:**

Selectmen reviewed communications since the last meeting. There were communications on: The upcoming annual town meeting.; Island culverts.; A planned visit from the Island Institute.; LICA sponsored a volunteer clean up of Fowlers Beach last Saturday.; A Vet Clinic on June the 2nd.; and, The preparations for the annual town audit.

Town Administrator Updates:

1) Waterfront: MDOT will be forwarding the grant contract for the approved $250,000 SHIP grant for the wave screen repairs at Mariner's

Wharf. They are very confident that the funds will now be available in the coming year and not the originally approved FY26 cycle.

The contract for the approved CDBG grant of $60,000 will be sent out in early June. This grant is for the completion of the design/engineering specifications and oversight of the bid process.

2) Storm Damages: Brian completed the portal registrations for the storm damages from the January storms. The next step will be the assignment by FEMA of a Program Manager and registration with the Treasury Department.

New Business Updates:

1) The Cumberland County meeting on a collaborative community effort for animal control officer services is planned for the week of May 6th.
2) The representative from All State Materials Group is planning on touring the paved roads on May the 8th.
3) Brian and Emma have sent a draft of a professional services contract to Carol White and her geological work for the Ground Water Committee.
4) A representative from the Maine Local Roads Center of MDOT will be coming to the island to inspect roads and culverts.
5) The Maine Department of Health & Human Services will be conducting a routine general assistance program audit in June.
6) Brian will be meeting with Bernstein Shur to discuss a claim notice.
7) MMA is conducting a follow up fiscal health survey.

➢ **Code Enforcement Office Updates:**

The CEO is working on several filed building permit applications. The Fowlers Beach cottage destroyed during the January storms is awaiting a permit from the Maine DEP to demolish the building. Two internal plumbing permits have been issued as well as a SSWD on Beach Avenue.

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

The Annual Town Meeting is Saturday, May the 4th. State primary election is on June the 11th. There are still eighteen properties outstanding in their property tax payments. Auto renewal reminder notices for May and June have been sent out. The tax base data is being updated.

➢ **Wellness Center Updates:**

Northern Light was on the island today. The nurse visits on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Seven vaccines were administered today. There will be a 4 week gut health series on the island in June. USM student nurses did a health fair on April the 25th. A Martins point physician is visiting on May the 9th to see his patients.

Meetings/Hearings:

There were no meetings or public hearings.

Board/Committee/Project Updates:

The board discussed the annual town meeting on Saturday, May the 4th. Joe noted that the annual town report is available on the town website and that a QR Code will be at the annual town meeting to download the report.

It was noted that attendees at the meeting should arrive early and receive their voting credentials. Once the meeting starts it is difficult for the staff to register someone to vote.

Joe Donovan updated activity at Casco Bay Lines. The search for a new General Manager continues with a candidate hopefully chosen in June. The CBL board approved the proposed rate increases which will now be reviewed by the Maine Public Utilities Commission. Summer schedule modifications are still being reviewed.

Public Comments:

Jane Oldfield Spearman updated the board on the Maine Coastal Communities grant application. This is in conjunction with Chebeague Island. She also discussed the "Calling Your Bluff" educational series on coastal erosion. There is a symposium on July the 23rd at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute as well as an on island tour and presentation on invasive species with state officials on August the 2nd.

Respectfully Submitted
Brian L. Dudley, Town Administrator