

Department of Public Works Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2018

Commissioners Present: George Balco, Christina Colarusso, Earl Littlefield

DPW Director: Ray Tattersall

Tisbury Finance: MaryEllen Larsen

Board of Selectmen: Larry Gomez

Absent: Ian Atchison & Tomar Waldman

Public Works Advisory Board Called to Order by George Balco at 4:03 pm

Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2018 by Earl Littlefield, 2nd by & Christina Colarusso

Approved by all.

Shade Tree By-Law: Ray

We found through the Town Attorney that I can just make that a regulation within the DPW – allows us as a Town to have a fineable offense for people cutting trees illegally and gives us the ability to protect the trees we should be protecting.

George: Should be put in New Property owner pamphlet.

LDO Update: Ray

May 1st – ready to go, just need to post with the selectmen so they put it in the paper for a couple of weeks. Posting a sign at LDO so people know it's coming –checks and cards only and transparency. Looking into the state mattress recycle program.

Beach Road/Five Corners:

Earl: What is going to happen to Water Street and Lagoon Pond with the rising tides, etc.?

Ray: Until they raise everything it's just gonna keep flooding.

George: Can we put in a solar sump pump?

Ray: The storm water group we have talked about that but it can be quite pricey.

Christine: Miami has a system but it's like 10 million.

Ray: It's been a problem for so long because there isn't a solution unless you raise the grade down there.

George: Retaining Wall?

Ray: We can't touch that it's a Barrier Beach – that's State.

Larry: We want to change it – it's Packer's property.

Christine: On State Road there's actually a groove that formed going downhill, if you were to strategically put more catch basins & leech fields on the hills . . .

Ray: The whole idea is to catch it uphill before. The SUNY kids came up with different ideas to send the water somewhere else, even using Veteran's Park. We even talked about using the old fire station lot to catch and hold it. If we can release it slowly it will minimize the flooding during a Nor'easter at high tide. The Steamship Lot, letting Veteran's Park just pond up . . .there's a lot of ideas but no one has figured it out.

Earl: It's getting deeper. What about the houses there?

Ray: The only thing being seriously talked about is raising Beach Road.

Earl: What about our roads are they going to raise their road are they gonna pay to raise our 2 or 3?

Ray: They are already talking about that Veteran's Park is going to be flooded from the tidal surge – it's inevitable.

Larry: Too many regulations . . .

Earl: Rename Beach Road to something else.

Christine: We had a big flooding issue at the business park for about 15 years with 1 basin – White Lynch got the bid put 2 huge 2K gallon tanks on both sides and it's fine. But probably not enough open space downtown.

Ray: We've cleaned all 414 catch basins – we've never done all in a year. I think a lot more has been draining than it ever was before.

Earl: I noticed 5 Corners drained off more quickly the last storm. Put leeching pits under the road?

Ray: As we're getting the high tides the water isn't strong enough to push through – it will flow through but not enough volume to push it back up.

George: What about the metal plate at 5 Corners?

Ray: Waiting for White Brothers to opens up the Asphalt Plant in the middle of April. It moves all the time – White Brothers aware of what we will be needing.

Library Community Program:

George: They wanted to put a house/box with free books to give away.

Christine: It's on town property so that's why they wanted to propose. . .

Ray: Owen Park and Lake Street – Lynn Fraker mentioned it.

George: Lots of donations and sales so lots of extra books. It's waterproof on a post.

Ray: Do we need selectmen approval . . .?

George: We should make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen that we recommend approval of this idea.

Motion to recommend approval of Library Community Program by Christina Colarusso 2nd by Earl Littlefield Approved by all.

Project Updates

Ray: Beach Road light poles all here, concrete bases should be done in a week then hopefully start early April - dig and wire trench. Awarded quote for the softball lights – will need to get done with the next 3 weeks before the osprey lay eggs. . . . they build on the highest pole. Infields are getting redone on the 17th. Volleyball going in middle of April. Pickleball Court is lined inside the basketball court. After Town Hall Meeting hopefully we get our money we'll do Woodlawn and then talk to the Historical District about paving Williams Street and if that works out maybe Church Street.

Schedule Next Meeting:

George Balco: Monday, April 30 @4pm. Earl Littlefield – 2nd. Approved by all

Town Meeting:

Ray: We're going after a new boom lift so we don't have to call in a tree company, etc. new cab & chassis for our switch and go truck so that we can have multiple trucks that can do 3 things: chipper, open, and sanding body. Liquid Brine system which will cut back on overtime and cut back on the amount of sand we're using. \$500K for road and basin work, \$32K to fix the LDO

Motion to adjourn DPW Advisory Board Meeting by George Balco. Earl Littlefield– 2nd. Approved by all.

Meeting adjourned March 26, 2018 at 4:30PM