

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 5:00 PM

Katharine Cornell Theatre, 51 Spring Street, Vineyard Haven, MA

Melinda F. Loberg, James Rogers, Jeff Kristal

Members Present: Melinda Loberg, James Rogers, Jeff Kristal

Others Present: John Grande-Town Administrator, Pam Bennett, Kirk Metell-Interim DPW Director, Chris Cassidy-Water Works Superintendent, Officer Bill Brigham-Police Department, Chief Schilling-Fire Department, Tracey Jones-Ambulance Coordinator and Bill Straw-Energy Committee, Jon Snyder-Finance Director, Amy Houghton- Tisbury School Building, Chair.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Beach Road Weekend: After Event Review

For the Event held on August 9-11th, the Town received revenue of \$40,000.00 (Forty Thousand Dollars) from the applicant for application and field rental, \$25,000 deposits and \$33,000 for payroll. Who paid bill for staff who worked during the concert? It is being paid out of the \$33,000.00 we received. We had many towns involved. We estimated \$33,000 and \$31,000 paid to date.

Police Department -Officer Brigham stated that the weekend was a success, there were no arrests only three protective custody and two had showed up in that condition. Had a good plan. All departments worked together, and other towns assisted. Noticed the handicap parking could set a few more spots and did bring in four portable light towers, would need 2 or 3 more to accommodate nightfall. No complaints about access to houses or driving.

Fire Department- Chief Schilling said they planned logistics in advance with the promoter and his staff. It went well, the promoter was very helpful and cooperative. No issues with vendors they all complied with local regulation and standards. Security was very tight. Thank you to the Sheriff's department for communications. A special thank you to Deputy Gould who tied their system into the mobile command unit. A Thank you to First Net, The entire Sheriff's office and bus drivers.

Ambulance- Tracy Jones stated there were no problems, there was a constant flow in the first aid tent, most minor, a few people were sent to hospital but went off without a hitch. No problems getting ambulance in or out. Would need to have baby station.

Department of Public Works- Kirk Metell stated there was a lot of planning and details. Everything was worked through. DPW took care of road closures and letting people in and out. The field took some damage due to rain, but promoter paid for repairs. Member Loberg visited field and notices some struggling grass. Would like to have a plan for future on how we make sure we balance the needs of the usual users and the concert. We need to be mindful. Member Rogers asked if in the future we can come up with protective measures and ways to rejuvenate. Kirk Metell stated the promoter went to extreme measures to help protect the field. They brought in soil and seed, but we could not control the rain. He stated that next time they should have an expert in the field to help address the concerns to keep the field intact.

Waterworks- Chris Cassidy. Event was Successful had many meetings with Adam and kept us informed of any changes so they could provide water. In process of being reimbursed and I have offered to store material for next concert if do it.

Resident feedback on the event: Overall the feedback was positive in relation to all aspects of the event. The only additional concern was the noise decibels that need to be specified going forward.

Member Kristal made the motion to allow the concert to take place and at a later date discuss specific dates. Unanimous.

Regional Emergency Sheriffs Agreement (RECC)

The document was reviewed by member Loberg and town counsel. The Members asked to see a copy of the minutes before deciding. **Motion made to defer the vote until September 10th.**

APPOINTMENTS

Appointments Natural Resources Committee: **Motion made to appoint Thomas Robinson, Amandine Hall, Sally Rizzo, Jeff Canha, Bill Sweeney, John Kollet. And David Hearn to the Natural Resources Committee.**

Larry Gomez asked if the Committee will have a budget? Mr. Grande stated they do not at this time but yes will in the future.

DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE'S REPORTS

Energy Committee: Charge

Bill Straw made the following additions based on the previous request by the board. Added eight bullets. The board would like to see the following changes:

On bullet point #1 they wanted to add to the line: The committee shall oversee, review and advise the administration of the town regarding efficient use of energy (electricity, diesel, gasoline and propane, in all properties owned or controlled by the town including warrant articles and grants.

Bullet point #4 The committee shall develop and Energy Master Plan that looks at Current, short and long-term issues including operations and maintenance.

Strike/remove/delete bullet point #6 The Committee shall maintain membership in Cape Light compact and Vineyard Electrical Collaborative (CVEC)

Member Kristal made the motion to approve the charge as amended. Member Rogers seconded. Unanimous.

DISCUSSION

Special Town Meeting Change of Date

Amy Houghton said the Tisbury School Committee is looking into modular and the amt of money in the current article would not be sufficient. Kids will be in modular a long time and need units that are stable, clean and appropriate for education. Mr. Grande stated the article is drafted but need more information on the modular. He has not been given any specifics on number of units or size. Mrs. Houghton said they need to see if they can order before town meeting? Finance Director stated they cannot procure without special Town Meeting approval. Member Rogers stated that maybe an option is to refund at Annual town meeting next year. We have a certain amount to fund at this time to get the modular on the ground. Mrs. Houghton stated they would like to see if they can get enough to cover to June 30th and then there could be an article to fund the additional cost going forward. Was hoping it could be negotiated that way. Member Rogers stated the funding package put together by the TSBC would

include trailers for renovations. Member Kristal said they need site and number of units. The TSC and Administration are working on all this right now to come up with what we need in the modular. The Town Administrator stated that we need number of units to know what sites are available. Mrs. Houghton asked, at what point is an override at town meeting? Member Kristal said we are there at 1.5. And to be clear the Town and Selectmen are not talking about acquiring badly made trailers. We were given the price from the superintendent's office. You are saying not enough but we do not know what you are looking at, what you are having in them, size etc. Mr. Grande asked the TSC what is the time you need to submit an article, how many units, Site, amount of money and design? The Numbers we received were based on 9-18 from school administration. How much time do you need to get this info? It is the school administrations and TSC to provide the Selectmen with information of what you need. We do not have that information. Mrs. Houghton stated that Yes, they need more time. Member Loberg asked if they have looked at cost vs lease? Yes, will have that info soon. Mr. Grande recommendation meeting at noon sept 5. Give update on the 5 and then schedule the Warrant closing and the STM date.

Member Loberg suggested October 15, 2019. Member Rogers made the motion to hold the STM on October 15 and Member Kristal seconded the motion.

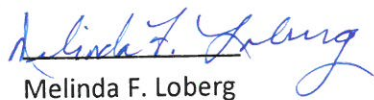
MVRHs Cost Allocation


Mr. Snyder stated that the MVRHS cost allocation is based on number of students attending the HS from the town. Oak Bluffs did not like this formula, so they opted out forcing all towns to use the statutory formula which costs the town more. Now the statutory formula is virtually identical as the number of student's formula. If four towns vote for statutory formula and the HS budget it stands. However, there is a major project renovation which could cost 100 million or more. All 6 towns have to approve unanimously that debt or it cannot be issued. All island FinCom is trying to come up with some other formula since OB did not vote to pass the feasibility study. HS applying to MSBA and they might get funding if all 6 towns agree on an allocation formula. Mrs. Houghton stated that if there was some way to demonstrate that all 6 towns intend to put on the town meeting warrant then would go a long way with the MSBA.

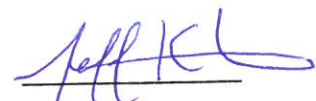
MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Pam Bennett


Melinda F. Loberg
Chairmen


James J. Rogers
Vice Chairmen


Jeff Kristal
Clerk