

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

51 Spring Street, Box 1239, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Thursday, June 29, 2017 at 12:30 PM

Tisbury Town Hall (Katharine Cornell Theatre)

Melinda F. Loberg; Tristan R. Israel; Larry J. Gomez

Members Present: Larry Gomez, Melinda Loberg, Tristian Israel

Members Absent:

Others Present: Jay Grande- Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral- Executive Assistant, Ben Robinson, Colleen McAndrews, Jeff Krystal

Meeting called to order at 12:36 PM.

Signing of Wastewater Treatment Plant Innovative Technology Grant, Final Contract, MassCEC

Member Loberg informed the Board that Town of Tisbury has been selected

by the MassCEC to field test CES Clean Water's NitROE technology, a cost efficient innovative technology to reduce nitrogen at individual home Title 5 septic system. The contract comes in effect on June 23, 2017 and expires on July 31, 2018. This Grant will support installation, operation and monitoring of ten NitROE systems under the Mass DEP "Pilot" program for evaluating innovative alternative technologies. In addition, new method to share the cost of the system between individual homeowners and Tisbury town-wide taxpayers will be explored. This approach requires the homeowner to fund on-site capital costs, and the taxpayers to fund operation, maintenance and monitoring costs. Application and criteria's for participation in the program is available at the Tisbury Board of Health Office.

Member Israel motioned to sign the Wastewater Treatment Plant Innovative Technology Grant, Final Contract, MassCEC. Member Loberg seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Signing the Certificate of Approval for Preferred Schematic Report for Tisbury School Project

Collen McAndrews informed the Board that Tisbury School Building Committee ("SBC") completed its review of the Feasibility Study Preferred Schematic Report for Tisbury School Projects. Since the beginning of Feasibility Study on June 1st, 2016 the SBC held fifteen meeting regarding proposed project, in addition to multiple public meetings and discussions held during the Tisbury Board of Selectmen meetings. By signing this Certificate Town confirms that Feasibility Study was performed and completed, which will allow us to move onto the next step of this project.

Member Gomez inquired if signing this certificate would bind Board to take any certain action in the future. Ms. McAndrews replied stating that this is just a confirmation of the end of feasibility study, which is required by MSBA to continue forward to the next phase of the project – schematic design phase. Schematic Design Phase will address following: where the building is going to be located, the design of building, the total cost of the project. Member Israel expressed his concern regarding the tax rate increase that will be caused by the project and the strong impact it may have on Tisbury residents.

Mr. Krystal expressed the importance of following the process guidelines to move this project forward and developing Plan B if on its final stages project will be turned down by Town Residents.

Member Loberg motioned to sign the Certificate of Approval for Preferred Schematic Report for Tisbury School Project Member Israel seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved.