

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 29 2017 at 5:00 PM
Tisbury Town Hall 51 Spring Street, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568
Melinda F. Loberg; Tristan R. Israel; Larry J. Gomez

Members Present: Larry Gomez, Tristian Israel Melinda Loberg

Members Absent:

Others Present: John Grande, Alexandra Kral- Executive Assistant, Dan Hanavan - PoliceChief, Ray Tattersall – DPW Director, Kirk Mattel

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Employee Cookout

Town Administrator informed Board Members that Annual Employee Cookout was scheduled for Wednesday, September 20th

APPOINTMENTS

Traffic Roadway Safety Committee: Larry J. Gomez, Dan Hanavan, Ray Tattersall, John F. Shilling

Member Israel motioned to appoint stated above individuals to a Traffic Roadway Safety Committee. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Crossing Guard: Phyllis Dunn

Member Israel motioned to appoint stated above individual as a Crossing Guard. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION SESSION

Town Film Request

Tom Dunlop from Vineyard Gazette put in a request to obtain Board of Selectmen's approval to use part of the original film shot by Katherine Cornell in their current project. When film was digitalized informally arrangements were made to allow Vineyard Gazette to show clips from the documentary from time to time, with the understanding that they would always ask the town administrator or board of selectmen for permission to do so.

Member Israel motioned to allow Vineyard Gazette to use part of the "This is Our Island" film. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

School Funding Formula Concept

Chuck Hodgkinson asked Board of Selectmen to post pone this discussion to late September or Early October.

MSBA/Tisbury School Preferred Schematic Board Action Letter

Town Administrator reported the receipt of the MSBA Action letter.

Tisbury Waterways Committee Consultant

Member Israel stated that during previous Tisbury Waterways and Harbor Management Committee's meeting committee member voted unanimously to hire Urban Harbor Institute to provide assistance to the committee and town to address some immediate harbor issues. Member Israel on behalf of the Committee asked for Selectmen's permission to move forward with the process.

Vineyard Haven Library Joint Meeting Follow Up

During Joint Meeting between Vineyard haven Library Board of Trustees and Board of Selectmen last month future plans for the Shakespeare Garden were discussed. Member Israel presented a letter in which he on behalf of the Board of Selectmen requests library to preserve open space and the garden out back as much as possible during the addition construction.

DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

DPW: Kirk Metell – CVEC Update

Kirk Metell reported to the Board regarding the latest CVEC meeting he attended. In his report he stated that CVEC has hired a lawyer to fight Eversource Rate Change Case and such rate change would have an incremental monetary impact for the solar array owners like our town. Tisbury can potentially lose more than \$30,000 in generated revenue. CVEC is reaching out to its partnering towns for financial support to cover some of the legal bills. The exact amount was not set yet. At this time they are looking just for a verbal commitment.

DPW: Ray Tattersall – Reserve Fund Transfer Request; Abatement Meter Purchase

Ray Tattersall submitted reserve fund transfer request to fix the alarm system at the Senior Center. There are some in the line item budget for the senior center alarms. That amount will be depleted first.

Police Department: Dan Hanavan – Reserve Fund Transfer Request

Dan Hanavan submitted reserve fund transfer request to cover the cost of consulting services from Strategic Partners. There is no line in Police Department Budget that covers cost of consulting services.

PROSPECTIVE MEETING AGENDA(S)

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

Signing of Environmental Partners Contract

The Environmental Partners contract for USDA funding was forwarded to Sewer Advisory Board for review and recommendations. The contract won't be signed tonight.

Payroll #08242017 \$131,762.05

Board of Selectman Members reviewed Payroll.

Member Israel motioned to approve Payroll #08242017

Member Gomez seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.