

## TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 5:00 PM

Tisbury Town Hall, Katherine Cornell Theater, 51 Spring Street, Vineyard Haven, MA  
Melinda F. Loberg; Tristan R. Israel; James Rogers

**Members Present:** Melinda Loberg, Tristan Israel, James Rogers

**Others Present:** John Grande- Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral, Ray Tattersall, Eerik Meisner, Danielle Ewart, Colleen McAndrews, Kirk Mettel, Jeff Krystal, Matt D' Andrea

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Administrator Report 5-22-18:

#### -EPA Grant Match

Member Loberg presented the opportunity to apply for EPA grant with the estimated \$30,000 match if approved (in kind services included). Member Israel asked to wait for a motion until Adam Turner arrives to give more details on the grant. Mr. Turner arrived at 5:45. He informed Board that EPA grant is aimed to help the Town achieve its environmental goals. The grant would be awarded in the fall and the spending would not start till spring 2019.

**Member Loberg motioned to authorize Town Administrator to apply for the grant. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### -Nantucket Sound Protection

Member Israel presented a letter of support for no development area in Nantucket sound. Other towns already signed it. No further discussion.

Member Israel motioned to approve to sign letter of support. Member Rogers seconded the motion.

Member Loberg abstained. Motion approved.

#### -Town Picnic

Town Administrator Informed Board Members of the upcoming Town Picnic at the Tisbury Waterworks on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Town Picnic Committee is expecting a big turn out this year.

#### -American Legion Post 257: Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

Approved by Police and Fire Departments.

**Member Rogers motioned to approve Memorial Day Parade on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

### APPOINTMENTS

#### MVRHS Building Committee Representative

Matt D'Andrea, School Superintendent spoke regarding significant need to form MVRHS building committee. It will consist of 10 -15 people.

Member Israel inquired if the High School is considering going through the MSBA with the project. Mr. D'Andrea confirmed that MVRHS has applied to MSBA for the fourth time. Member Rogers asked if any work been done to set a direction. Ms. D 'Andrea stated that the architect had performed a minor space evaluation to help determine future direction.

Member Israel proposed Mary Ellen Larsen as a Tisbury representative to MVRHS Building Committee.

**Member Loberg motioned to appoint Mary Ellen Larsen as a Tisbury representative to MVRHS Building Committee through June 30, 2019. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

### DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Harbormaster:

##### - Reserve Fund Transfer: Additional Mooring Inspections

Harbormaster asked for the approval of the reserve fund transfer that would cover the cost of additional mooring inspections. Member Loberg asked how budget for this work ended in deficit? Member Rogers asked why the requested amount was stated at \$25,000 for the inspection of 30 mooring when we spend \$10,000 for inspection of only 9 moorings. Harbormaster stated that due to irregular schedule of previous inspections it was hard to estimate exact amount that will be needed to complete the work and different types of mooring require different inspection procedures which result in the inconsistency of the price. John Bacheller asked what Town charges for the mooring fee and how many moorings are there? Harbormaster stated once more that fee depends on the type of the

mooring. Member Israel suggested the Harbor Management needs to review existing fee structure and come back to the Selectmen with recommended increase.

**Member Loberg motioned to approve requested reserve fund transfer. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### Department of Public Works:

##### - Bruno's Curb Side Pick Up and Recycling Program

Town Administrator informed the Board that if proposed increase goes through or if we cancel the service through the Bruno's we can expect to see increase at the LDO that will be hard to predict. There are physical constraints for the reasonable traffic accommodations and not enough time to notify public and no budget to handle increase in LDO use. The other part is that Town guarantees this service through the contract to all roads. Josh Forend responded that although Bruno's will service any road that the price for dirt roads or remote location might go up if contracted directly with Bruno's instead of through the Town. Bruno's representatives offered two proposals for a review. First, to offset the increasing cost of recycling by increasing regular trash sticker fee. Second, to only increase price of recycling. Jeff Krystal suggested to subsidize the LDO and contribute the money that presently support the work of LDO to the curb side pick-up program. Member Loberg spoke in support of first proposal to provide stronger incentive for people to continue recycling. Member Rogers had an opposite position stating that Town can burden people who don't recycle with the costs related to recycling. Member Israel asked for more public input.

**Member Rogers motioned to approve second proposal. Member Israel seconded the motion. Member Loberg abstained. Motion approved.**

Bruno's and DPW director to report on the results of the increase by the end of September,

##### - JTC Update

Ray Tattersall updated the Board on the recent work of the Joint Transportation Committee: VTA got approved for an additional electric bus, committee had a brief discussion on the Beach Road project and started the process of identifying the projects that will be included in the transportation plan.

##### - Street Tree Regulations

Ray Tattersall proposed to schedule joint public hearing between Board of Selectmen and DPW Advisory Board to review and adopt proposed Shade Tree Regulations.

##### - Downtown Signage Improvements

Ray Tattersall presented proposed downtown signage improvements. Copy of presentation is available upon request at the Board of Selectmen Office, 51 Spring Street, Vineyard Haven. Town Administrator suggested to continue the review of the proposed improvements at the second meeting in June. (June 26<sup>th</sup>)

#### Planning Board:

##### - CZM: Pollution Remediation Grant

Cheryl Doble presented a possible grant opportunity that would require 25% match or about \$8000. Town Administrator spoke in support of the grant stating that article 22 for drainage road work submitted by DPW and approved at the Town Meeting can provide necessary match. Funding from this program will assist the Town of Tisbury to engineer a solution to a situation that presently allows uncontrolled storm water runoff to enter Lake Tashmoo.

**Member Loberg motioned to support this grant application and commit a 25% match. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **HEARINGS**

##### 5:30 PM Continued Public Hearing to review and consider proposed changes to the Taxi Regulations.

Town Administrator informed that proposed changes are aimed at the first three sections of the regulations. Followed by this hearing there will be a brief presentation from one of the companies on possible alternative to the fee structure. Michael from Martha's Vineyard Taxi suggested a change to language that addresses the local fares to be more reflective of the existing practices. Member Israel stated that he prefers to keep that language as clear and transparent as possible and while there are no complaints from the public regarding the way taxi's address local fare requirement existing practice put in place by the taxis can remain in place.

**Member Loberg motioned to close public portion of the hearing. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Member Loberg motioned to approve proposed changes to the Taxi regulations. Member Rogers seconded the motion the motion was unanimously approved.**

## DISCUSSION

### Taxi Meter System Presentation

Michael Mszański of MV Taxi presented a taxi meter system proposal. MV Taxi had been using the system in the past months on experimental basis. In testing, they have found that the system follows the flat-rate structure remarkably well, and allows for an unprecedented level of price transparency that increases customer's level of confidence in the legitimacy of the business. The metered rates will allow to better focus on single fares, rather than the "multiples" that all of the other companies choose to rely on. The metered rates follow the same \$3.55/mile approximation used by taxi companies on the cape.

Board took proposal on the advisement and requested that all taxi companies to submit an opinion statement on the proposed system before making any further decisions on the matter.

### Opioid Law Suit

Member Israel presented an opportunity for the Town to join the ongoing Opioid Law Suit by official stating our position of support.

***Member Loberg motioned to support Opioid Law Suite effort. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.***

### Food Truck Regulations: First Reading

Board Members were provided with a copy of proposed Food Truck regulations. Internal review was complete and public hearing can be scheduled at any time in the future.

## BUSINESS LICENSES RENEWALS

### Taxi Permit:

- Vineyard Transport Inc. d/b/a Martha's Vineyard Taxi
- Waterwheel Inc. d/b/a Atlantic Cab
- MV Island Taxi Company d/b/a Bluefish Taxi

***Member Loberg motioned to approve listed above Taxi Permits provided all supporting documents and required sign offs were provided. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.***

### Lodging House:

- Hanover House Inn, 28 Edgartown - VH Road
- Clark House Inn, 20 Edgartown - VH Road

***Member Loberg motioned to approve listed above Lodging House License Renewals provided all supporting documents and required sign offs were provided. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.***

### Common Victuallers:

- Garde East, 52 Beach Road

***Member Loberg motioned to approve listed above Common Victuallers License Renewals provided all supporting documents and required sign offs were provided. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.***

## PROSPECTIVE MEETING AGENDA(S)

### ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

#### Signing:

- Strategic Partners Contract
- Statement of Interest Release: Tisbury School

***Board signed stated above documents with no further discussion.***

### Cemetery Deed: Lot 46

***Member Loberg motioned to approve Cemetery Deed Lot 46***

***Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved***

Bills Payable #05/01/18 \$248,452.16

***Member Loberg motioned to approve Bills Payable #050118***

***Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved***

Bills Payable #05/08/18 \$380,033.30

**Member Loberg motioned to approve Bills Payable #050818**

**Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved**

Payroll #5/17/2018 \$114,841.28

**Member Loberg motioned to approve Payroll #05172018**

**Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.**

Payroll #5/10/2018 \$322,775.44

**Member Loberg motioned to approve Payroll #05102018**

**Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.**

## **CORRESPONDENCE RECIEVED**

### **EXECUTIVE**

Vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30 A, Sec. 21(a), 3. To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the police union if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares;

Roll Call Vote: Member Rogers – Aye

Member Israel – Aye

Member Loberg - Aye

### **Executive Session Minutes.**

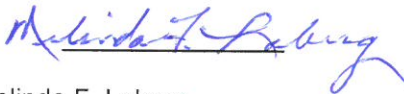
### **Not to Reconvene in Open Session**

*The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.*

*Respectfully submitted by  
Alexandra Kral*



Tristan R. Israel  
Chairmen



Melinda F. Loberg  
Vice Chairmen



James J. Rogers  
Clerk