TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 5:00 PM
Katherine Cornell Theater, Town Hall, 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, John Crocker, Kim Ellias, Sarah York, James Tilton

ANNOUNCEMNETS

Vineyard Haven Business Association: Annual Sidewalk Sale

Representatives of Vineyard Haven Business Association were seeking Board of Selectmen approval for the downtown sidewalk sale on October 6th-October 8th, 2018.

Member Loberg motioned to approve sidewalk sale. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

MassCEC WWT Program

Member Loberg informed Board Members that the town has been implementing the pilot WWT Program under the MassCEC grant. The grant agency is applying to the state for additional funding and they have requested to use our favorable comments in their application package.

Member Rogers motioned to allow MassCEC to use Town's feedback as part of their application packet for additional funding. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Opening Dates for The Town of Tisbury Bay Scallop Seasons

Shellfish Constable on behalf of the Shellfish Advisory Committee submitted following opening dates for the Town of Tisbury bay scallop seasons:

Outer Vineyard Haven Harbor and Outside the Ponds: Saturday October 13 recreational and October 15 commercial

Lagoon Pond: Saturday, October 27 for recreational and Monday, October 29 commercial (the tides are early and favorable).

Tashmoo (DIP NET ONLY): Saturday, November 17 for recreational and Monday, December 3 for commercial.

Next year the committee is considering opening the scallop season later in the fall, for example in mid-November or December. In October the water is still warm and bay scallops are still feeding, thus still growing and potentially still spawning. The water is warmer than it has been in the past and there is still food available for the scallops.

Member Rogers inquired on the status of the closing notification system that Board requested to develop in the past. Town Administrator confirmed that based on Board's directive the Shellfish constable was working on bettering the closing notification system.

The Board Members asked to postpone the approval of the proposed opening dates till next meeting that Shellfish Constable will be able to attend.

WORKING SESSION

Presentation of the Draft Conservation Mooring Regulations

Harbormaster did a presentation on Draft Conservation Mooring Regulations. The regulations were partially adopted by the Board during their last review, there is still a large part of the regulation that Board did not take an action on.

Existing Waterways Regulations Review / Recommended Changes to current Tisbury Waterways Regulations

Kim Elias, Administrative Assistant to the Harbormaster presented Board with a clean version of regulations that include proposed changes and a mark up version of the document that highlights suggested changes.

Lynne Fraker asked on the official process of adopting the proposed changes. Member Israel stated that after Board reviewed and is satisfied with proposal, public hearing will be scheduled at which there will be an opportunity for a public to provide their feedback.

Board Members requested to postpone review and approval of recommended charges to October 9th Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Vote to go into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30 A, Sec. 21(a), 2. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for contract negotiations with Police nonunion personnel.

Not to reconvene in Open Session

Rollcall Vote: James Rogers – Aye
                  Tristan Israel – Aye
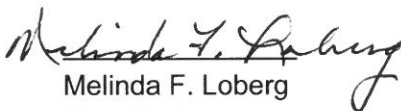   Melinda Loberg – Aye

Executive Session Minutes.
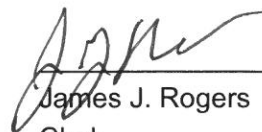
The meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Alexandra Kral

Tristan R. Israel   Melinda F. Loberg   James J. Rogers
Chairmen   Vice Chairmen   Clerk