

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 4:00 PM

Tisbury Town Hall, Katherine Cornell Theater, 51 Spring Street, Vineyard Haven

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 Schilling, Maura Valley, Jon Snyder, Ben Robinson, Greg Leland, Seth Gambino

SPECIAL & ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANTS

Continued Review of 2019 ATM and 2019 STM:

- Article 11: To Establish and Fund the Assistant Fire Chief Position

John Schilling presented Assistant Fire Chief Position Article. Mr. Schilling stated that he is planning to retire in 2020 and the proposed position is not just a part of the succession planning but also to aid with bringing the department in compliance with OSHA standards. Chief Schilling distributed a Safety Checklist for Fire Service Operations that listed key items that Fire Department has to achieve to meet the OSHA Standard that became effective on February 1st. The list is comprehensive, and the department will require additional staff support. Asking for a full-time permanent position of the Assistant Fire Chief. Coverage for Fire Chief and assistance in record keeping. Member Rogers concerned that job description was just received. Town Administrator stated that Personnel Board reviewed draft warrant as well as the Article 11. Took no action. The review of the job description can be performed later on, at this moment it is more important to act on the article and creation of such position. Member Rogers inquired if the assistant chief might be involved in the short-term rental inspections and other related tasks. Chief Schilling is not able to confirm or deny the future involvement of assistant fire chief with work related to short term rental. Member Loberg inquired if any part of the tasks stated on the safety list is being currently performed by the department and inquired on the effort of other Island Departments to comply with OSHA standards. Chief Schilling stated that currently department is not performing any those tasks as if it was never required of the volunteer department before and he is not able to describe possible efforts of other towns related to those tasks. Member Loberg suggested that it might be beneficial to cooperate with other Towns and possibly hire consultants to assist with the Tasks in hand. Member Loberg wanted to see compared expense of hiring and carrying fulltime employee versa contracting assistance to bring the departments in the compliance. John Schilling stated that new standards will increase pressure on the volunteers overall if the proposed position won't be established. Original article was submitted as a permanent position. Agenda Item for a joint Meeting with Oak Bluffs.

Member Loberg motioned to approve article as presented. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Loberg motioned to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting and to reconvene after Joint meeting with Tisbury School Committee. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN – TISBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 4:30 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

Tisbury School Committee Members Present : Amy Houghton, Janet Packer

Tisbury School Committee Members Absent: Colleen McAndrews

Others Present: John Grande- Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral, John Custer, Matt D 'Andrea

Continued discussion of building project (to address educational and facility needs)

Town Administrator presented potential scenarios for reducing the amount requested in the article. One of which would be to reduce the amount from \$800,000 to \$275,000 to cover basic architectural services.

Member Loberg read out the article language and stated that she is under impression that to move the project forward reduction in requested amount is counterproductive. Amy Houghton agreed with Member Loberg position. Member Rogers suggested not hiring the OPM and settle on the design of the project first. Amy Houghton stated that OPM will be needed in order to develop the project. Matt D 'Andrea spoke in support of keeping requested amount low to increase a chance of passing the article at the Town Meeting and involve the OPM in early stages of the project.

Member Loberg suggested to consider the original \$400,000 requested amount. Janet Packer stated that amount needs to include the costs associated with hiring an OPM. The report from the state received addressing the health and safety concern. Amy Houghton concerned that language of the proposed article

does not address the emergency repair. Member Loberg spoke in support of possible additional language to address emergency repairs. Member Rogers stated that to address the issues listed in the report will take sufficient amount and might require a special town meeting if emergency repairs will be necessary in the future. Report recommends addressing long term and short-term items in the article. Janet Packer was not in support of adding the language for emergency repairs as the amount of existing issues might take over the total sum and prevent the Town from moving the project forward. Amy Houghton stated that detailed spending list and prioritized action list may solve Ms. packer concern.

Member Loberg motioned to amend article 9 to add following language extraordinary emergency repairs and keep requested amount at 800,000. Member Rogers seconded the motion.

Matt D 'Andrea stated that this ultimately should be a separate article in order to not allow emergency repair take over the whole project.

The motion was approved. Member Rogers opposed.

Member Rogers raised concern over the CPC article requesting \$100,00 for playground repairs and asked if there are any guarantees that as Tisbury School Project progresses the playground and all improvements won't be completely demolished. John Custer, School Principal, is not able to provide such guarantees at least until the project outline has been developed. Amy Houghton stated that School shared the concern and will expend the funds wisely.

Member Loberg motioned to adjourn joint meeting and reconvene regular Board of Selectmen Meeting. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Signing of Annual Town Meeting Warrant 2019 & Signing of Special Town Meeting Warrant 2019

STM Article 12

Member Loberg motioned update article's language to conform with other BOH penalty language.

Member Rogers seconded. The motion was approved. Member Israel opposed.

ATM Article 28

Meeting regarding Duke's county proposal john schilling reported back on the meeting. States supports regional approach 5of 6 towns agreed to the Town

Member Rogers does not agree with the formula used to calculate Town's share of the cost. The split should be equal between all Towns.

Member Rogers motioned to amend language to state "based on to be agreed upon formula". No second

Member Loberg motioned to amend article to request the sum equal to the Town's share of the FY2020 Dukes County Regional Emergency Communication Center development and maintenance costs only based equal split . Member Rogers seconded. The motion was approved.

Article 31

Memembr Loberg motioned to approve reduced amount of \$600,000 for proposed roadway improvements article and remove borrowing language from an article. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Article 27

Town Administrator informed Board Members that all amounts requested under said articles include a 5% reduction proposed by the Finance and Advisory Committee.

Member Loberg motioned to reinstate originally requested amounts. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Loberg approve Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting Warrants as amended. Member Rogers seconded. The motion approved.

Member Loberg motioned to sign Special Town Meeting Warrant. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Loberg motioned to sign Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

HEARINGS

5:00 PM Public Hearing to review and consider a Common Victuallers License application for exercise at Golden Bull Brazilian Steak House Corp., 13 Beach Street Extension, Tisbury.

Thiago Machado, owner, was present. Mr. Machado briefly described proposed restaurant.

Member Loberg motioned to close public portion of the meeting. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Loberg motioned to approve Common Victuallers License application for Golden Bull Brazilian Steak House Corp., 13 Beach Street Extension, Tisbury. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

5:10 PM Public Hearing to review and consider proposed changes to the Tisbury Mooring Fee Schedule and Owen Park Pier Fee Schedule

John Crocker, Harbormaster presented an increase proposal for Owen Park Pier fees and Mooring Fees. Previous town practice was to increase the fees every other year. Proposing to continue the practice to increase the fees in 2019, 2021, 2023. The fee schedule is significantly lower than other Island Towns.

Lynne Fraker stated that Harbor Management Committee not in support of proposal. Ms. Fraker objected proposal and requested to see mooring maintenance plan. Ms. Fraker also highlighted that the department budget line for mooring maintenance was decreased and the warrant article was submitted to cover the amount removed from the budget from Waterways Fund. Ms. Fraker urged Board Members to keep fees unchanged. Phil Hale proposed to increase by 3% instead. Jeff Cahna stated that the fees in Town have been increasing incrementally and expediential. Glenn Pachico expressed his belief that the fee schedule is unreasonable and unjust. Mitchel Pachico suggested exploring other possible revenue streams such as charging Boats anchoring at the Tashmoo.

Jeff Cahna inquired if raised revenue would go to general fund or waterways fund? Harbormaster stated roughly half and half of the income would go to each fund.

Member Loberg motioned to close public portion of the meeting. Member Rogers seconded. The motion was approved.

Member Loberg not ready to make a decision today. Member Israel suggested involving the consultants to further review the proposal and outline all possible scenarios for addressing future increases of the Harbor Fees. Member Loberg stated that the hearing was prompted by the outgoing mooring bills, not in favor of postponing decision for a long period of time and would support a modest increase while researching other ways of bringing in the revenue to offset the costs of the harbor. In support of 3% for this year and return later to review and discuss possible long-term solution. Member Rogers not in support of hiring consultants to review the fees and not ready to decide, hoping to see plan for the allocation of those funds within the harbor department. Member Israel was in support of a modest increase through this year only with understanding that all issues brought up during the meeting will be addressed in the coming year. John Crocker stated that if no change is implemented, the budget won't be affected as it is not dependent on the proposal. The affect is minimal on the waterways fund as well.

Member Rogers motioned to approve for 2.5 across the board increase for mooring fees for this year only. Member Loberg seconded the motion. Member Rogers mark the funds correctly. The motion was approved. Member Israel opposed.

Owen Park Pier

Member Rogers motioned to approve proposed fee increase as presented. Member Loberg seconded the motion. Member Rogers highlighted that not a lot negative feedback was received for this proposed increase and requested that received funds are directed to offset the costs of harbor operations. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Member Israel requested to see an income dispersion plan and proposal for other income opportunities that won't require increases in fees. Report first week of September or sooner.

BUSINESS LICENSES RENEWAL

Common Victualler License:

- Pig Sprouts LLC d/b/a The Larder, 342 State Road
- Daniele's Fuel Inc. d/b/a Scottish Bakehouse, 977 State Road
- Mochas LLC d/b/a Mocha Motts, 15 Main Street

Member Loberg optioned to approve stated above Common Victuallers Licenses. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

PROSPECTIVE MEETING AGENDA(S)

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

Cemetery Deed Lot# 58 Refund Request

Member Loberg motioned to postpone the Cemetery Deed Lot#58 Refund Request approval to future meeting. Member Rogers seconded the motion the motion was unanimously approved.

Payroll	#02/21/19	\$121,416.82
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Payroll	#02/28/19	\$332,547.89
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Payroll	#03/07/19	\$124,925.06
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Member Loberg motioned to approve the Payroll as stated above Member Rogers seconded the motion the motion was unanimously approved.

Bills Payable	#02/19/19	\$413,050.73
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Bills Payable	#02/22/9R	\$17,221.49
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Bills Payable	#02/26/19	\$555,286.04
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Member Loberg motioned to approve the Bills Payable as stated above. Member Rogers seconded the motion the motion was unanimously approved.

Time reserved for the topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate for discussion:

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

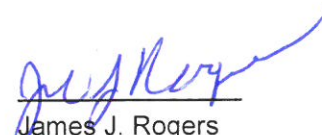
Respectfully submitted by

Alexandra Kral

Tristan R. Israel
Chairmen



Melinda F. Loberg
Vice Chairmen



James J. Rogers
Clerk