

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 5:00 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

Members Absent: James Rogers

Others Present: John Grande – Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral -Executive Assistant, John Schilling, Mark Saloio, Sarah York, Adam Epstein, Dorothy Packer, Deborah Packer

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5:00 PM Continued Public Hearing to review and consider an application for an Auto Rental License by Vineyard Enterprises Inc. d/b/a/ Budget Car Rental, 19 Beach Road, Vineyard Haven, MA, 02568
The applicant verbally requested to withdraw their application for an Auto Rental License at the said location.

Member Loberg motioned to continue the hearing until written request to withdraw has been received. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Vineyard Haven Business Association: First Fridays

Member Loberg motioned to approve First Friday for the summer season. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ride the Vineyard 2019

Member Loberg motioned to approve the proposed event. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living: Alternate

Member Israel informed that John Grande- Town administrator volunteered to serve as an alternate to the MV Center for Living.

Member Loberg motioned to appoint John Grande to Martha's Vineyard center for living as an alternate through June 30th, 2019. Member Rogers seconded the motion. Member Rogers stated that many of the vacant positions for the town committee will be advertised prior to June 30th. The motion was unanimously approved.

Traffic Officer: Elissa Decosta

Police Chief introduced Elissa Decosta. Member Rogers motioned to appoint Elissa Decosta. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Full Time Police Officer: Peter Nicholas Sidoti, Pierce Harrier

Police Chief informed Board Members that he had a chance to evaluate both candidates and found adding them to Tisbury Police Department team as the full-time police officers would be beneficial to the Town and the department. Chief Saloio provided the scores candidates received at the police academy as an additional contributing factor to his support of their fulltime appointment. Member Rogers inquired on the long-term intentions of the candidates. Mr. Harrier and Mr. Sidoti both expressed their dedication to the Town of Tisbury and desire to build a long-lasting career within Tisbury Police department.

This appoint will bring the number of full-time officers to the total of 10.

Member Loberg motioned to appoint Mr. Harrier and Mr. Sidoti as full-time police officer. Member Rogers seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Department Update

Police Chief Mark Saloio reported that beginning April 4th, the Tisbury Police will be holding a Citizens' Police Academy. We have 11 attendees enrolled in the class. The classes will be held on April 4th, 11th, 25th, May 2nd and May 9th. Officer Andrew Silvia was assigned to be Departmental Accreditation Manager. TPD has begun working toward fulfilling the assorted 159 standards and obligations associated with achieving State Accreditation. The accreditation team at TPD will be meeting each week as we move forward and complete the requirements. New Administrative

Assistant, Meghan Montesion, has done a superior job of assimilating into her new position, as well as streamlining a wide array of budgetary and administrative functions.

Sergeants' exam in April needs to be postponed. The rationale behind this decision is based upon the fact that the full-time staffing number still needs to be increased. Once there are some additional staff in place, including two or three Special Police Officers, the department's "foundation" will be in place. This will allow the department to more thoughtfully move forward with the permanent Sergeant promotional process and schedule sergeants' exam for late August, possibly early September.

Meanwhile, Police Chief expressed his intention to assign officer Brigham as an Acting Sergeant for a particular time-frame, April 22nd, 2019 through September 21st, 2019. The long-term plans for TPD consist of having the agency sustain (3) sergeant positions - day shift, eve shift and mid shift

DISCUSSION SESSION

Innovation Arts & Entertainment, Ltd. License Agreement for 2019 Concert Festival

Town Administrator informed Board members that as a result of the update during the previous meeting he had asked Mr. Epstein to attend this meeting to be able to provide answers to the questions and concerns the Board brought up during last meeting. After a review and additional discussions with various Town Departments it had become clear that the agreement will have to be refined to correctly reflect the responsibilities of the Town Departments and the applicant. The updated agreement will be brought back at the future meeting for boards review. Main topic for tonight's meeting is a discussion of the site fee and proposed alcohol sales.

Adam Epstein was present at the meeting. Mr. Epstein reported that he had received a commitment from the first charity to sell reserved parking spots located on the private property. Tentative agreement from property owners for 1500 parking spots. The charity will raise about \$60,000. Lot located outside of Tisbury. The free shuttle will be provided. The bus tickets will be sold together with ticket. The site plan has been updates. The stage was relocated per Boards request. Mr. Epstein walked board Members over the updated site plan. The sound system designed not to carry the sound over the perimeter of the park. Reserved seating for 2100 people in front of stage and general admissions for 5000 attendees. Tickets can be purchased for each night separately. The event production team is trying to offer the tickets for the first night of the event (jaws screening) for \$20/night. A copy of the site plan is available for public inspection at the Board of selectmen Office, 51 Spring street, Tisbury, MA or via email request to akral@tisburyma.gov. Member Israel inquired of the proposal to close off skiff and causeway on the days of the events. Adam Epstein referred to Chief Saloio and Schilling for parking and traffic control plan. Member Israel requested that traffic and parking control plan to be reviewed and approved by the Board. Town Administrator stated that the plan is been developed and scheduled for the board approval on May 14th. Member Rogers inquired on the transportation from the site back to the remote parking. Mr. Epstein ensured Board Members that all logistics are being developed to address the transportation concerns. Member Loberg raised a question regarding the use of the field during rain and possible damage that can be done to the area. Mr. Epstein stated that the site plan was developed to avoid the points where water stands during rain fall, those areas will be fenced off. Board Members requested that Legal councils' opinion on the Alcohol Sales be presented to the Board in writing. Member Rogers inquired on how alcohol sales effect would the Town staff involvement. Police Chief expressed his confidence in the department ability to handle both scenarios of the event however he pointed out that enforcing "no alcohol" if alcohol is not offered at the event might be challenging. Member Loberg stated that a site rental fee should be a flat fee. Adam Epstein is comfortable with keeping both fee scenarios in the agreement. Member Loberg stated that the site rental fee is not driver in the decision making for the Board. The public opinion that expressed the support of proposed concert was a key in the decision-making process.

Member Rogers motioned to approve the site rental fee of \$25,000 for no alcohol event and \$40,000 for event allowing for the alcohol sales. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Loberg asked that target date be included within the agreement for all specifics to be finalized.

Beach Road Project Update

Member Israel read out the letter. The copy of the letter is available for public inspection at the Board of selectmen office, 51 spring street, Tisbury, MA or via email request to akral@tisburyma.gov.

Member Israel expressed his disappointment over received response and disapproval of the project as it stands right now. Member Rogers expressed his disappointment over the project as well.

Dorothy Packer informed Board of Selectmen that the project is going forward, and the eminent domain is on the way. Ms. Packer read out the letter of the concern. The copy of the letter is available for public inspection at the Board of selectmen office, 51 spring street, Tisbury, MA or via email request to akral@tisburyma.gov.

Herbicide Legislation Update

Member Israel expressed his hope that the Board will continue to support and move forward the herbicide legislation.

Downtown Resident Parking: William Street

Member Israel expressed his opinion that current Town regulations for the Downtown parking area were developed to fairly address parking needs of the downtown residents and he hopes to see those regulations enforced accordingly. Member Loberg agreed with Mr. Israel however the letter was received but not acted on and needs to be addressed accordingly.

BUSINESS LICENSES RENEWAL

Auto Rental License:

Island Adventure Rentals, 19 Beach Road

Vineyard Enterprise d/b/a Budget, 45 Beach Road

Member Loberg motioned to approve Auto Rental Licenses as stated above. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Moped:

Island Adventure Rentals, 19 Beach Road

Member Loberg motioned to approve Mopes License as stated above. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

PROSPECTIVE MEETING AGENDA(S)

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- Member Rogers requested that Board will review and send a letter to ZBA regarding the applicants appeal to cease and desist letter for the work at Lot 22 A 19 State Road/Surveyors Land.
- ***Member Rogers motion to draft a letter to SSA regarding dredging. Member Loberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.***
- The Board received a memo requesting to identify speakers for some of the STM and ATM articles.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

Meeting Minutes Approval 3.8.19 / 3.12.19

Member Loberg motioned to approve minutes for 3.8.9 and 3.12.19 as amended by Member Rogers. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting Minutes Approval 3.19.19

Member Loberg motioned to approve minutes for 3.19.19. Member Israel seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Payroll #03/28/19 \$332,451.37

Member Loberg motioned to approve payroll as stated above. Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Bills Payable #03/26/19 \$162,518.39

Bills Payable #02/28/19 \$1,291,398.07

Member Loberg motioned to approve bills payables 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:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30 A, Sec. 21(a), 6. To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body;

Not to reconvene in an open session

James Rogers – Aye

Tristan Israel - Aye

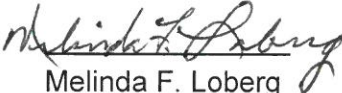
Melinda Loberg- Aye

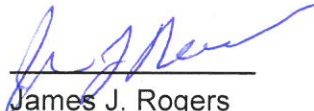
Time reserved for the topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate for discussion:

The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Alexandra Kral

Tristan R. Israel
Chairmen


Melinda F. Loberg
Vice Chairmen


James J. Rogers
Clerk