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## **Town Administrator Report for Select Board Meeting Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

### **Vineyard Wind, Marine Terminal and 69 Beach Road Update**

The operations and maintenance support facility at 69 Beach Rd will commence construction mobilization this week. Dellbrook Contractors will start general site cleanup, construction trailer delivery and site perimeter construction safety fencing will be installed. Lawrence Lynch will also start removing the remaining asphalt, installing erosion control measures and bring in fill for initial site work.

The Vineyard Wind Marine Terminal continues with the construction of the Tisbury Marine Terminal bulkhead side. Mobilization of the marine assets for the start of construction for the Vineyard Wind section is currently scheduled for March 13th. A pre-construction meeting with town staff is scheduled for Thursday morning, March 9, 2023.

### **Beach Road Weekend Music Festival Update**

A meeting with public safety officials was held last Friday to review the Emergency Action Plan (EAP). The preliminary site schedule was reviewed. The logistics and public safety personnel requirements for the event were discussed. A civilian point of contact will be provided during the event to field incoming questions and concerns during the festival setup, event and breakdown that is employed by the town. Further, public safety officials will go through real world tabletop exercise to evaluate the submitted EAP and planning for the festival.

### **Coastal Zone Management Coastal Resiliency Grant Update**

The project lead consultant is John Ramsey of Sustainable Coastal Solutions (SCS). The following work has been the focus of SCS efforts during February 2023:

- bi-weekly meetings;
- reached out to Leslie Fields from Woods Hole Group regarding efforts related to availability and quality of sediments planned to be dredged from the harbor. Ms. Fields indicated that updated information was available, but have not received it to date;
- on February 10<sup>th</sup>, held a coordination Zoom meeting with the Barrett & Associates team who are performing the Master Plan for the Town;

- relative to upland drainage concerns, reached out to Horsley & Witten about information regarding the historic drainage ditch and possible Chapter 91 license running parallel to Lagoon Pond Road and Beach Road;
- reviewed the Draft Horsley & Witten report related to possible drainage plans within the Veterans Park watershed;
- attended the MassDOT Tisbury drainage meeting (January 30, 2023) that primarily focused on drainage recharge west of Vineyard Haven along State Road, and the issues related to the harbor outfall from Five Corners; and
- MassDOT (Pam Haznar) requested additional information regarding potential Town plans related to coastal resiliency.

A larger public meeting is scheduled end of March 2023. The Climate Committee will host the meeting with invite to Conservation, Water Resources, Tisbury Waterways, Inc., and others.  
Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles Update

Key annual town meeting warrant articles you may wish to consider further are as follows.

- Article 3      Need final dollar amount for Sick/Vacation Trust Fund. *\$200,000, 5,000, 5,000*
- Article 8      Created separate Article for Dredging. *5,000*
- Article 9      Capital Appropriations
  - a) Library updated to provide construction management.
- Article 10     Created separate Article for Replacement of New Equipment  
 Capital request of DPW to be funded out of Public Works Fund.
- Article 13     Added recommended language from Finance and Advisory Committee, reduced amount by requesting funds for the first phase only.
- Article 21     Amended to include "Energy" in the title of the stabilization fund. There is a companion article in the Special Town Meeting Warrant.
- Article 22     The amounts need to be updated for regional social services.
- Article 24     The address of 114 New York Ave, Oak Bluffs, MA needs to be added and the appropriation request in the amount of \$35,340.
- Article 26     Fund local drop off area, Need final dollar amount.
- Article 27     Borrowing article exempt from prop 2 ½ with ballot question. Approximately \$448,000.00 based on regional agreement (22.4%).
- Article 33     Updated with COLA
- Article 34     Updated with COLA
- Article 35     Management and Professional Study Adjustments. Need final dollar amount.

Article 36 2024 Operating Budget. Need final dollar amount.

Article 37 Amount may change based on final budget approved by Town Meeting.

Last day for special town meeting warrant articles is March 10, 2023. Last day for ballot questions is March 21, 2023. Select Board close the warrants on March 22, 2023, and sign the warrants on March 29, 2023.

Sincerely,  
Jay Grande, Town Administrator.