

TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 4:30 PM

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

Members Present: Melinda Loberg, Tristan Israel, James Rogers

Others Present: John Grande – Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral -Executive Assistant, Jeff Kristal, Jon Snyder, Ben Robinson, Matt D'Andrea, Janet Packer, Amy Houghton

DISCUSSION SESSION

Martha's Vineyard Regional High School – Notice from School Committee of FY 2019 Budget Amendment for Use of Excess and Deficiency Fund monies for designer services for an athletic track, and consideration of whether to call a Special Town Meeting to consider approval of the amendment, including opening and closing of the warrant for such a Meeting

Member Israel informed Board Members and public present at the meeting of the letter received from Superintendent of Schools office notifying Town of the following amendment to the FY19 previously approved budget: MVRHS District School Committee voted to use \$350,000 of Excess & Deficiency Fund to secure the services of an owner's project manager and landscape architect to design an athletic track and synthetic infield at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Campus. The Town of Tisbury has 45 days since the date of the Committee's vote to call Special Town Meeting to review and consider proposed amendment. If a member Town does not vote on the proposed amendment within 45-day period, that member town shall be deemed to have approved the amended budget.

Member Loberg asked for the clarification on the process from Superintendent of Schools. Mr. D'Andrea explained that the Committee just recently discovered that use of the Excess & Deficiency funds requires the Town Meeting Vote and 4 out of 6 Towns have to approve proposed amendment in order for it to move forward.

Member Rogers requested to hear from the Tisbury School Committee. Janet Packer stated that TSC voted unanimously to allow the amendment and by that forward the project further for the review and approval at the MVC.

Amy Houghton, chair of TSC stated that although her original vote was opposing the proposed amendment she had reconsidered her initial position in order to keep the project moving forward and is confident that the project will be reviewed in detail at the MVC level.

Lilian Robinson spoke in support of scheduling a Special Town Meeting to allow town residents to weighing on the issue.

John Packer urged Board Members to support the decision of Tisbury School Committee Members, who were elected to review and weigh in on such issues and allow project to progress forward to the MVC.

Member Loberg expressed her understanding over controversial nature of this project. Member Loberg agreed with Mr. Packer positions highlighting that MVC is better equipped with relevant recourses to review proposed project.

Member Israel spoke in support of calling STM to review and consider said amendment.

Member Israel motioned to schedule a Special Town Meeting. No second. Motion failed.

Meeting will reconvene at 6:15 PM at Tisbury School, Music Room, 40 West William Street, Vineyard Haven, MA.

6:15 Meeting called to order

Members Present: Melinda Loberg, Tristan Israel, James Rogers

Others Present: John Grande – Town Administrator, Alexandra Kral -Executive Assistant, David Doneski

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

Review of Annual Town Meeting Procedures and Warrant Articles

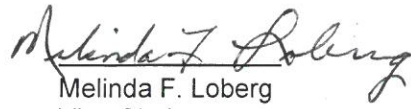
Board of Selectmen reviewed following articles:

- ATM Article 38 Fiscal 2020 Operating Budget - Dukes County Regional Housing Authority to vote on the amount as requested by the County instead of the proposed decreased amount recommended by the Finance Committee
- ATM Article 9 to submit the amendment to reduce requested amount to \$400,000
- ATM Article 34,35,36 the order that article must be take in is 36, 35 and no action on 34

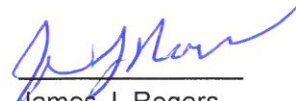
The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Alexandra Kral

Tristan R. Israel
Chairmen



Melinda F. Loberg
Vice Chairmen



James J. Rogers
Clerk