



TISBURY TOWN CABINET MEETING MINUTES

200 Main Street, Upstairs Meeting Room, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 4:30 PM

Meeting Called to order at 4:32 p.m.

Members Present: Ben Robinson, Malcolm Boyd, Jeff Kristal, Jon Snyder, Larry Gomez, Jay Grande, Amy Houghton, Hillary Conklin

Members Absent: David Schwab

Attendees: Pam Bennett

Business:

FY18 Budget

Jeff Krysal brought up assessment issue- some areas are down 2.3 %. 10 Neighborhoods in total are down, discussed on how to promote the Town of Tisbury. He also brought suggested the BOS take a look at the residential exemption to help budget. Possibly moving Police Dept. from current bldg. and either leasing building or selling. He also suggested assessing the School Project budget, Possibly lending Ambulance to the Town of Oak Bluffs, and a hiring freeze.

Jon Snyder said accounting was waiting on payroll and would have the report ready ASAP.

Goals

How to promote the Town of Tisbury

Planning Board to focus on Street work and Zoning in certain areas

School Project

Ben Robinson suggested to look at the school program before FAS submission and wanted to know if the FAS meeting could be delayed. Also discussed reimbursement rate

Jeff Krysal wanted to know if it was possible to revote for renovation/addition of current school.

Jay Grande said the renovation would keep the budget more controlled and wanted to take another look at keeping the existing building.

Amy Houghton- Concern about building addition that once into the renovation the cost would change due to unforeseen issues. Amy said she would find out if the FSA could be pushed back

Ben Robinson said we need options for town to vote on.

Meeting Adjourned 5:31

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51 Spring Street, Katherine Cornell Theatre, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568
Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 4:30 PM

Meeting Called to order 4:35 pm

Members Present: Ben Robinson, Jeff Kristal, Jon Snyder, Larry Gomez, Jay Grande, Hillary Conklin, George Balco, Cynthia Richards

Members Absent: David Schwab, Amy Houghton, Malcolm Boyd

Attendees: Pam Bennett

Business:

School Circuit Breaker

The Town of Tisbury had a large number of unanticipated students attending High school this year which increases our assessment.

Jay Grande said the School Committee requested that something be put together. Jon presented the proposal: The Average number of students coming in each year for all towns and assess on that average instead of each year.

George Balco wondered if we can get predictions. Jon Snyder said no that this is to address unanticipated influx of students. The assessment is driven by the budget process but this would smooth the number of students each year.

George Balco stated it is the end of 2017 and in 3 years it will be 2021, the Towns 350 anniversary. He wants a committee including Town businesses, West Chop Club and the Yatch Club to propose something for a celebration.

Jeff Kristal liked the idea including the business community. We will put on January meeting Agenda and maybe a news article.

Update on Capital and Departmental budget preparations for FY19

The Town is going through the CPC, Embarkation will follow and Jon Snyder will assess the scope of the projects.

Jeff Kristal said any increase in budget for a department needs to be explained in writing.

Jon Snyder said this year they are trying to discuss more carefully with department heads since last year almost everyone was behind and therefore it but FinCom behind.

Larry Gomez thought it was a good idea to have level funding same as previous year if a department is late in submitting budget. Payroll is most of a departments budget and Jeff Kristal feels the rest should be a warrant item.

Jon Snyder working with Nancy Gilfoy on a spreadsheet. It should be discussed with the DPW if need any new equipment or if it should be outsourced. Jay Grande said there were a lot of capital warrants for equipment last year and felt there should not be much this year.

Jeff Kristal suggested taking life guards out of the DPW and putting in the Harbor Dept. George Balco said they should stay with the DPW.

Update on New Town Hall

Jay Grande said the Town is still perusing the 55 West William street property. He said it is a critical project for the Town.

Meeting Adjourned 4:47