GOSOLD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

November 9, 2018

Meeting open @ 10:22

PRESENT: Stewart Young, Sarah Berry, Gail Blout, Lisa Wright, Paula DiMare

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of August 27, 2018. Duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

Stewart spoke with Bill Austin of Vineyard Land Surveying to discuss the possibilities of having a public restroom at the Coast Guard Boat House. This may prove to be difficult as the building is in a resource area. Gail will ask if a bathroom is a requirement.

Stewart is looking at bike sharing (Hubway, Blue Bike) as a possibility for Cuttyhunk next summer. This may help to alleviate golf cart congestion and is a very inexpensive way to get around.

There was a Special Town Meeting @ 11:34; a unanimous vote decided the \$80,000 overage from FY2018 will be funded through town stabilization.

There was a phone conference with the Martha's Vineyard Commission regarding housing needs for Gosnold, with the focus on Cuttyhunk. MVC recommends a housing needs assessment which will cost \$5,000. Christine Flynn will work on an RFP for the scope of work. The Selectmen discussed possibilities and issues regarding the management of affordable housing.

Ralph Packer is waiting on an electric upgrade report for the fuel farm.

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH:**

Karen Walega sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen/Board of Health regarding an inspection she made of the Farmhouse on Nashawena. Karen has made it clear that certain improvements must be made before the residence is habitable again.

### **CEMETERY:**

Christine Fairchild sent in an estimate for a survey for her property as she wants to donate a portion to expand the cemetery. The property needs to be appraised.

## WATER:

The position of Water Manager has been posted.

White Water is coming to the island with Andy Chapman before Thanksgiving. They will start working on a plan to re-pipe the existing well field.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

Mary Aicardi has submitted a human resources proposal for \$20,000. The Selectmen will discuss the proposal at their next meeting.

#### INTERNET:

Axiom has requested an additional \$7,000 to conduct a structural engineering analysis and frequency coordination study. A motion was made to approve the \$7,000 request for those studies, duly seconded. So moved. Unanimous vote.

# **BUZZARDS BAY COALITION:**

The Selectmen discussed the 4 areas that the Buzzards Bay Coalition hope to acquire:

- 1. Land at the Ferry Dock/Barges Beach
- 2. Lookout/Tower Hill
- 3. Church's Beach
- 4. Copicut Neck

The Town is interested in obtaining land at the Ferry Dock/Barges Beach and on the other side of the school house for a playground. Discussion of the Town owning Church's Beach. This discussion will continue at the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### TAX RATE:

Stewart will follow up with Kris and Sarah regarding the Department of Revenue update for getting the tax rate set.

## **SOLID WASTE:**

Sarah Berry shared recycling information as China is taking less trash. As Lombard IV and Bill Austin are working on improving the solid waste area. There was discussion about home trash compactors, trash disposal, recycling and composting.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded. So moved. Meeting adjourned @ 1:34pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Wright

G. Stewart Young

Sarah Berry

Gail Blout

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