

Approved 5/30/18
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, May 9, 2018 4:30 p.m. – 5:50 pm

Present: Selectmen Skipper Manter, Cindy Mitchell, Kent Healy, Jen Rand

Also Present: Nicole Blake, Morgan Reitzas, Michael Mszanski, Ivana Sabeva, Richard Saltzberg, Holly Pretsky

Minutes: *S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 4/25/18. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Eversource Easement: *S. Manter motioned to sign an easement with Eversource across town property to provide service to the Scott's Grove housing development. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Energy Committee: Nicola Blake introduced herself to the Board, she said she was looking to become more involved with the town and this committee was a good fit with her interest as a climate scientist.

S. Manter motioned to appoint Nicola Blake to the Energy Committee for a one year term. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Appointments: *S. Manter motioned to appoint the attached list of board and committee members. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

WTPD Appointments: *K. Healy motioned to appoint Leomar De Oliveira to a 3-year term as a police officer and Matt Mincone to the position of Truant Officer for one year. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was KH & CM in favor SM abstained.*

WT School Lease: The Board discussed a request from the School Committee to add an appendix to the Building Lease renewal regarding the parking lot and the shared responsibility for redesign and construction. Kent said he didn't think the parking lot was in poor condition and did not need to be repaved at this time. Skipper said this appendix would not commit the town to repairing the parking lot; Cindy disagreed and noted the wording seemed to commit to repair. She added that she didn't think this belonged in the lease, but rather it should be a stand-alone agreement, with further details to be worked out. Jen was asked to relay this to the School Committee.

Pier Permits: *K. Healy motioned to grant pier permits to Skipper Manter at #'s 70, 104 & 184 Pond View Farm Rd. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was KH & CM in favor, SM abstained.*

Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) Host Agreement: Skipper said he looked at the RMD as any other business and did not think they should be treated differently. Jen noted that Counsel had sent an email indicating that the Board should follow through on the completion of a host agreement. Cindy noted that there has been a citizen who has closely followed this discussion and noted that the RMD is very different than anything the Town has dealt with before and has said the Board should proceed with care. The Board will review for discussion at their next meeting.

Taxi Regulations: Meters: Jen explained that she had been working with Mike from MV Taxi on the meter regulation amendments because she was unsure if some of the language taken from Falmouth's regulations was applicable when using a meter APP instead of a traditional meter. Mike said that Edgartown was working out the details to allow their meter proposal to move forward, they still had to go through the hearing process in Tisbury. Regarding multiple fares, Mike said that a multi tariff meter is not multi fare. He said that having multiple fares on a meter is complicated by the fact that living on the island, which is basically a circle, you do not always pick the most direct route, instead you pick the route that makes the most sense based on who is in the vehicle. Consequently, using a meter in this circumstance may penalize one of the passengers by charging too much to get to their destination. He felt it was more fare to use the meters with single fares and a rate sheet for multiple fares. Ivana, owner of Lighthouse Taxi, said she did not generally have a problem with the multiple fares at the airport going in a bunch of different directions; usually they share a cab only if going the same way. Skipper said he was concerned the rate sheet was not specific enough; there were too many areas that were vague. Ivana said she would work to create a rate sheet that was more comprehensive.

Cameras: Mike said that he had spoken to the VTA about their cameras. The busses had the systems built in when the vehicles were constructed; the cost was covered in part by grants. Skipper said cameras were not expensive. Mike said the transfer of data can be problematic. He asked how that would be powered, who owns the data, who is responsible for the data. He said their needs to be an Ethernet connection to transfer the data. Skipper said he would do further research. Cindy said perhaps the regulations amendments can be done in stages.

Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Workshops: Cindy noted the Board had participated in a two-town workshop organized by John Christensen, Jen Rand, Tim Carroll and Marina Lent. The hazards facing the towns of Chilmark and West Tisbury due to climate change were discussed. The conversations were lively and interesting, she commended the staff who pulled it all together and thanked the MV Commission for their assistance.