

Approved 6/6/18
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, May 23, 2018 4:30 p.m. – 5:54 pm

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

Also Present: Garrison Vieira, Chris Eagan, Michael Mszanski, Ivona Sabeva, Chris West, Janice Haynes, Geoff Rose, Doug Ruskin

Minutes: *S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 5/02/18. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Town Hall Administrative Assistant: Jen said that she, working with Omar Johnson (Health Agent) and Tara Whiting (Town Clerk) had interviewed three people. All were fantastic candidates, but they had chosen Janice Haynes. She said they were unanimous in their choice, and looking forward to working with her.

S. Manter motioned to appoint Janice Haynes to the position of Administrative Assistant starting June 4, 2018 at Grade 3 Step 1. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Deputy Emergency Management Director Appointment: The Board met Chris West, Skipper said he had known him for years and thought he would be an asset to the Department.

S. Manter motioned to appoint Chris West to the position of Deputy Emergency Management Director for a one year term. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Event Permits:

S. Manter motioned to authorize the Artisan's Festival at the Grange on Thursdays and Sundays. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

S. Manter motioned to authorize the Antiques at the Grange on Fridays. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

S. Manter motioned to authorize the Farmer's Market at the Grange on Wednesdays & Saturdays. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

WT Police Year- Round Special Officer: *K. Healy motioned to appoint Philip Hollinger to the position of year round special for a three year term. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was KH & CM in favor, SM abstained.*

Memorial Day Proclamation: Cindy read a proclamation from the Governor declaring May 28th Memorial Day.

Charter School – School Zone: Skipper asked Jen to work with the Charter School to outline who will pay for the work and maintenance of the school zone.

Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD): Skipper reiterated that he did not think we should treat the RMD any differently than any other business. Kent agreed. Skipper then reviewed a variety of questions and comments he had about the draft noting the areas where he felt the

language was vague, or hard to quantify. The Board asked that the questions and comments be forwarded to Counsel ahead of the next meeting to discuss. Jen asked that Counsel attend the meeting so that if further questions arose they could be addressed at once. Geoff asked for the ability to comment. He noted that some of the language probably did not need to be in the agreement because it was the law. Doug said that some of the details were addressed in the special permits and the MV Commission decision. Jen was asked to be sure Counsel had those as well. Chris Eagan said that the Board should consider that fact that this will be the only dispensary on the Island, and to consider if there were only 1 package store on the Island that everyone traveled to. The impact on the Town is not yet known but there is likely to be an impact. He said the town should be compensated for the impacts, he noted there were already legal bills from review of the agreement. Kent said there should be an annual review of the impacts.

Taxi Rates/Meters: Ivona said she was concerned with the use of meters at the airport, she noted that in some circumstances the driver may sit for a long time before they get to the front of the queue and then if using the meter only be paid \$8.00. She said this could lead to a driver refusing a fare if it wasn't financially viable. She had other similar concerns about being called to Chilmark for a fare to go to Menemsha and only being able to start the meter once the rider got in, so the fare would again be too low to justify the trip. Skipper said he did not care if they refused fares from other towns, he was only concerned about fares in West Tisbury. He said he's sure the meters will work. Cindy suggested that Lighthouse Taxi continue to work with MV Taxi to find a way to adjust the rates to deal with these issues.