

**Approved 4/19/17**  
**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**SELECTMENS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 5, 2017 4:33 p.m. – 5:16 p.m.**

**Present:** Selectmen Richard Knabel, Cynthia Mitchell, Skipper Manter, Jennifer Rand

**Also Present:** Deb Magnuson, Kathy Logue, Heather Hamacek, Edie Prescott

**Minutes:** *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the minutes of 3/1/7. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was CM & RK in favor, SM abstained.*

*S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 3/15/7. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Town Anniversary Party:** Deb said the committee had created draft “save the date” posters. The party will be at the Agricultural Hall on June 10<sup>th</sup> from 12-4:00 pm. She said this would be an “old-fashioned” picnic. She asked for permission to use the Town seal for picnic blankets they will pre-sell and plastic cups and Frisbees. She said they also plan to call the art teacher at the school to see if they want to have a poster contest for the kids. She said also they are planning to work with the Parks & Rec department to host a bunch of fun old fashioned games. She asked the Board if the Town could contribute \$1,500 to the event. Jen said she thought she had the money in the discretionary account.

*S. Manter motioned to authorize the Committee to expend up to \$1,500 of town funds for the anniversary party. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Tisbury Great Pond Right-of-Entry for Munitions Removal:** Jen said that the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) was requesting a 5-year right-of-entry to the town’s two landlocked parcels within the Trustees of Reservations land by the Tisbury Great Pond (lots 42-2 & 42-3). The ACE is focusing their current munitions removal project on the Tisbury Great Pond and the surrounding land.

*S. Manter motioned to sign the 5 year right-of-entry to the two parcels. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Town Insurance Committee:** Kathy said she would like to re-form the town insurance committee to evaluate the town’s insurance offerings. She said there was a new high deductible plan that would require some thought as to what the town’s contribution would be towards the Health Saving Account. She said the committee also should look at how the town will move forward trying to control the increasing costs of health care. Richard asked how many people she wanted on the committee. Kathy said a maximum of 7.

*S. Manter motioned to ask Kathy to bring back 7 names for the Board to appoint to an insurance review committee. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Event Permits:** *S. Manter motioned to approve the event permits for the Artisan Festival, held on multiple dates at the Grange and Agricultural Hall and the Windemere Auction held at the Grange on June 2 from 6-8 pm. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging Carpet Donation:** *S. Manter motioned to accept the generous donation of carpet, valued at \$4,900 to replace the worn carpet in the function room. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**MA DOT Highway Maintenance Proposal:** The Board reviewed the draft letter in response to MA DOT’s request to the towns that they consider taking over basic maintenance of the State Highways in the town. Cindy said that she thought the Board should not just unceremoniously say no. Skipper said they already contract for most of what they do; he thought they should just contract for this piece as well. Kathy said she agreed with Skipper that the town should just give an unqualified no. Richard noted that dividing the work between six towns was likely to cost the state more than having it all be under one agency. The Board will vote next week.