

Approved 11/6/19
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, October 23, 2019 4:30 p.m. –5:44 pm

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

Also Present: Bill Rossi, Chuck Hodgkinson, Doug Ruskin, Geoff Rose, Michael Colaneri, Richard Saltzberg, Brian Dowd

Minutes: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the minutes of 10/2/19. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Recreational Marijuana Host Agreement: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the host agreement as amended by Counsel. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Old Courthouse Rd Land Disposition Agreement: *C. Mitchell motioned to sign the Land Disposition Agreement with Island Housing Trust. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Tri-Town Ambulance Chilmark Building Cost Sharing: Skipper said that, according to Counsel, the proposed three-town ownership scenario for the building will not work. Bill said alternately the Town was proposing a lease scenario, the details of which are attached to these minutes. Cindy said the Tri-Town Committee had discussed using some insurance revenue to pay down the debt service. She added she thought the lease scenario was a good way to move forward. Doug said he thought Tri-Town should become an entity upon itself. Skipper said that was not nearly as simple as it sounded. Skipper said he felt the lease rebate, if a town leaves Tri-Town, should be 50% each year. Skipper said he thought the Board should not agree to this without a vote at town meeting. Cindy said the Board was not being asked to sign anything, just to agree to the concept.

C. Mitchell motioned to endorse the funding concept with appreciation to Chilmark for being willing to cover much of the cost. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Health Care Access Event Permit & 1 Day Beer & Wine: Skipper said he didn't think alcohol should be sold at properties in the residential zone. Cindy said she wasn't sure it was going to be sold; Jen noted if the event were free they did not need the 1 Day Permit.

C. Mitchell motioned to approve the event permit & 1 Day Beer and Wine on October 24th at the Grange. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was CM & KH in favor, SM opposed.

Mediation Request from School District: The Board discussed the request from the District to meet with a mediator regarding the school funding formula. They asked Jen to respond that they would be willing to meet.

Vineyard Transit (VTA) Service Cuts: The Board discussed the response from the VTA regarding their letter about off-season service cuts. The VTA letter explained that budgetary concerns were driving the cuts. The Board asked Jen to respond to the VTA and offer to discuss possible cost sharing options with the town for the 2021 fiscal year.