

Approved 11/19/20
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
October 28, 2020 4:40 pm
Virtual meeting

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

Also Present: Loren Ghiglioni, Amy Upton, Bea Phear, Maria McFarland, Leah Smith, Bruce Stone, John Rau, Matt Merry, Susanna Sturgis, Rich Saltzberg, Louisa Hufsteder, Janice Haynes

Cindy called the meeting to order at 4:41pm

Minutes: None to approve

New Business:

- **Farm Market Request for Extension to the end of the year:**

The item was removed from agenda. Their last market will be this weekend.

- **Request from Planning Board to Permit Food Trucks:**

Bea started by saying that this was a preliminary request. The Planning board had looked at the State regulations and they believe that the BOH regulates usually. They know that there is a town zoning bylaw that prohibits them but says that having food trucks at kids sporting events was great. The zoning inspector (Joe) has them classified as 'fast food' which is what is prohibited. Bea said that the State calls them Mobile Food Establishments. They are asking the Selectmen to give their opinions and they are thinking that a change to the bylaw may be needed. Jen said that historically, the BOS has said no to food trucks that wanted to park on Music Street specifically. She thinks that putting the request to change the bylaw and reclassify food trucks on the warrant for the next Annual Town meeting is the best way. Then requests would no longer have to be interpreted by the Zoning Inspector. Kent said that they had not wanted them because of the traffic issues. Skipper agreed with Jen that it is not the place of the BOS to override the zoning inspector. He also pointed out that they must be careful of the placement as Historic District or Residential Districts would not be allowed. Bea asked who should be the permitting authority? Skipper thinks it should be the ZBA and BOH. Bea also said they do not believe they should be limited to the commercial zones as the baseball field and soccer field are not in those zones. Skipper said they should speak with the ZBA and BOH and get them involved. Bea and Leah both said thank you and they were happy with the BOS guidance.

- **Diversity Committee Appointments:**

Cindy said that they had voted a while back to establish the committee and had put out a call for interested members. Some of them could not be here tonight but will come to another meeting to be introduced. Jen said that it had been suggested to also have a member of the clergy and a lawyer on the committee but those that she had reached out to regretfully did not have the time. Skipper suggested they start by appointing the current list and see who else they can come up with. The volunteers are:

- Omar Johnson
- Matt Mincone
- Terry Kreidman
- Witt Griswold
- Susanna Sturgis
- Loren Ghiglioni

Susanna and Loren were both present and introduced themselves and spoke about their experience and interest. They decided to appoint Omar as the first meeting “convenor”.

Skipper made a motion to appoint the six as presented above to the Diversity Committee with the understanding that more members will come. Kent seconded. Roll Call: all in favor

- **CARES Act Submittal:**

Bruce said that the State had allocated \$254,000 to West Tisbury in the spring. They had already applied for \$110,000. And Round 2 must be submitted by this Friday. This request is for \$76,000 which it covers everything he can think of. He needs Cindy as chair to sign the certification for submittal. He also said that he had submitted an application to FEMA and he believes that between the two it will cover everything for this year.

Skipper made a motion to accept the application and authorize the Chair to sign. Kent seconded. Roll Call: all in favor

Unanticipated Business:

Skipper said that someone had asked him about the Annual Holiday party. They have not discussed it yet, but he doesn't think it is appropriate to have it this year. All agreed. Skipper said that as it was cancelled, he had some turkeys allocated for the party and he would like to donate them to a non-profit serving those in need. People can call him directly at 508-693-3532.

Jen said FYI the Board of Health will be doing a Flu Clinic again this year with one of the staging areas at the Ag Hall.

Skipper pointed out that the Parks & Rec Halloween party is also cancelled.

Old Business:

- **Shared Use Path Project North Tisbury:**

Jen said that before the pandemic they had been planning to have a public hearing regarding the Northeastern University Capstone Project in North Tisbury. She and Kate Warner had done preliminary work to take photos to show roughly where the path would be widened over the existing path. She said she has heard MA DOT also did some research and planning on the shoulder work in that area. Jen wanted to know if the board was interested in moving forward and presenting the possible projects. They will need to figure out how to do the presentation and she thinks it would be difficult to do on the computer. She may need funds to hire help to create an online presentation. It could work to their advantage since people are becoming comfortable with Zoom and more people may see it. Skipper asked about the North Rd triangle and Jen said yes, that was part of it. He would prefer to concentrate just on the SUP for now and feels the triangle is a much larger project. He added the bridge should be included in the discussion as well. They all agreed that they should continue to pursue the projects and thanked Jen for not letting the project go away.

- **Lambert's Cove Beach Parking:**

Skipper said that he had spoken with the concerned resident and with Chief Mincone regarding the signage issue. They believe they have issue in hand. Jen said that she had also sent an actual letter to Google requesting the change to their maps. Skipper said that they had found that the path crossed over a small section of Sheriffs Meadow property that is *not* open to the public and the Department will work with the owners to post better signage.

Correspondence:

- ZBA notice of public hearing
- Free cash report: 572,124
- Cape Light Compact Monthly Report

With no further business Skipper made the motion to adjourn. Kent second. Roll Call: all in favor.

Adjourned 5:29 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Janice Haynes, Administrative Assistant