

Approved 5/24/23
Town of West Tisbury
Select Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 17, 2023 4:30 pm
Via Zoom

Present: Select Persons Skipper Manter, Jessica Miller, Cynthia Mitchell

Also present for part or all of the meeting: Kathy Logue, Susan Silk, Bruce Stone, Kimberly Angell, Thomas Humphrey, Eunki Seonwoo, and Janice Haynes

Skipper called the Select Board meeting to order at 4:30 pm

Minutes: Vote to approve -May 3, 2023

No edits or corrections offered.

Cindy moved to approve the minutes of May 3rd, 2023. Jessica seconded. Roll call vote: All in favor.

New Business:

- **Access to Counsel – Library Director:**

This is retroactive for an incident that happened at the library. No discussion.

Cindy moved to allow the Library Director access to council. Jessica seconded. Roll call vote: All in favor.

- **Vote to Sign the Special Town Meeting Warrant:**

Special Town Meeting will be June 13th at 7 pm. There are 3 articles. The board will come in to sign tomorrow. No further discussion.

Cindy moved to sign the Special Town Meeting warrant. Jessica seconded. Roll call vote: All in favor.

- **Vote to Transfer Funds from Snow & Ice Budget to Highway Maintenance Budget:**

Richie has had some unforeseen expenses that need to be covered. Bruce explained that they can transfer between department budget lines and explained how it works.

Jessica moved to allow the transfer of \$13,000 from one Highway department line to another. Cindy seconded. Roll call vote: All in favor.

- **Vote to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Chilmark School HVAC repair:** Skipper said it has been signed in the past but as it has been updated it needs to be resigned.

Cindy moved to sign the updated Intermunicipal Agreement for the Chilmark School HVAC repair. Jessica seconded. Roll call vote: All in favor.

- **Discussion of Special Town Meeting Attendance:**

Skipper is concerned about getting a quorum for the meeting. Janice has posted on the town website and on the Facebook page. Skipper suggested that the fire chief and the EMS chief make announcements with their departments. Cindy suggested reaching out to Donna, the WT school principal and also the MVRHS principal to activate the parent communities. Susan suggested posters in public places for those who do not rely on computers. Janice could design and print them. Kathy suggested getting the word to Hermine for the WT column. Cindy asked the press present at the meeting to help get the word out. They decided to discuss again at a later date. No action taken.

Topics Not Anticipated: There were none.

Old Business:

- **Cost Sharing Formula for Howes House**

Jessica had done some more research and suggested 60 % for WT, 30 % for Chilmark and 10 % Aquinnah. Last week Skipper had suggested 50 % for WT, 30 % for Chilmark and 20 % for Aquinnah and Cindy's proposed 75 %, 20 %, and 5 %. After discussion it was decided to start the negotiations at 60, 30, 10. They will have Jen contact the other towns when she is back.

Correspondence:

- **M. Moore Re: Taxes:** No discussion

- **Division of Marine Fisheries Re: Redefinitions:** No discussion

- **S. Silk Re: Appointment process:**

Susan would like to see a written policy for appointments, She also spoke about the ethics test. Skipper will ask the Town Clerk about her procedures when folks are appointed. Cindy thought having a simple process was not an unreasonable thing. They had spoken before about a training session for new board members and perhaps that could be part of it. Also spoke about an application that addresses conflict of interest. It was suggested they look at what other towns do; perhaps there is info at the state level. They will ask Jen to look into it.

- **J. Gadowski Re Progressive Pride flag:** There was a late email about flying the pride flag for the month of June. It will be on the next agenda.

Public Comment: There was none.

With no further business Cindy moved to adjourn. Jessica seconded. Roll Call vote: All in favor,

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

*Janice Haynes
Administrative Assistant*