

Approved 7/10/19
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, June 12, 2019 4:30 p.m. – 5:25 pm

Present: Selectmen Skipper Manter, Kent Healy, Jen Rand

Also Present: Kate Warner, C. Kaplan

Minutes: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the minutes of 5/8, 5/22 & 5/29/19 with two amendments to 5/29. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Vulnerability Coordinator: Kate said she was involved in Island energy issues from 1998-2008, she passed her non-profit Vineyard Energy Project over to Vineyard Power when she ran out of steam. She said there is now a Climate Action Network on the Island as well as the MVC's Climate Change Task Force and Rob Hanneman's efforts to bring the Island to net zero energy use. She said there is a need to take the Municipal Vulnerability Plan (MVP), the Emergency Management Plan and the Green Communities plan and figure out how to move all this planning forward. She said the Town is not prepared for a large scale emergency and needs to coordinate with the other towns for a cooperative approach. She said there should be an island-wide coordinator for this. She mentioned programs such as the battery back-up program, suggesting that each neighborhood have some houses with this back-up so neighbors could avail themselves of it in times of need. She also suggested a solar canopy at the back lot of the grange hall that could be used to aid the Town Hall's power needs in a long-term outage. Kent noted that in emergencies we have people available for assistance from the Police, Fire and Highway. Cindy said starting with the MVP plan was a good idea. She asked Kate if she was asking to be appointed as Vulnerability Manager, Kate said Coordinator would be better so people knew she was there to work with them not tell them what to do. She noted that she would volunteer for now, but in order to keep working on it she would need to be paid and she thought there were grants to fund that.

C. Mitchell motioned to appoint Kate Warner to the position of Vulnerability Coordinator. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

World Market Monday Summer Party One Day Beer & Wine: *C. Mitchell motioned to approve a 1 Day Beer & Wine for the summer party at the Grange on 7/8/19 from 5:30-7:30. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Treasurer/Collector Vacation Carry-Over: *C. Mitchell motioned to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to carry over 130.1 hours of vacation time. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Highway Job Description: Kent noted this might be a very difficult job to fill; it has a lot of responsibility. *C. Mitchell motioned to approve the draft job description. K. Healy seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*