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Dear Selectmen:

This letter is to confirm the conversation of Chairmen Doty and Wright regarding a joint meeting of the Aquinnah and Chilmark Boards of Selectmen on June 18th 2013 at 7:30 PM.

On June 4th the Chilmark Board of Selectmen reviewed a lease from the Aquinnah Board of Selectmen to Brian Vanderhoop for Lot F (lot 2-3) in Menemsha Creek (Murphy lot) along Boathouse Road, pursuant to the Intermunicipal Agreement on the management of the Menemsha Creek Lots.

The Chilmark Selectmen had no objections to the lease being issued to Mr. Vanderhoop. However, the board has concerns regarding the ongoing management of the Creek Lots and wishes to discuss this with Aquinnah.

As you are aware the Town-Line passes through the Creek Lots and some lots straddle the town-line. Lot A (lot 15) has its dock and the waterside half of its shack in Aquinnah while the land access and other half of the shack is in Chilmark, Lot F (lot 2 & 3) is entirely in Aquinnah but the dock is mostly in Chilmark. Lot 4 & 5 (Mayhew) has its dock and a portion of its shack in Chilmark, with most of the shack being in Aquinnah.

Since the transfer of the Creek Lots from the Commonwealth to the towns in 1965, the management of lots A & F have been managed by the Town of Aquinnah and lot 4-5 has been managed by the Town of Chilmark. Recently the Town of Aquinnah has taken actions to manage lot 4-5.

The Chilmark Board of Selectmen would like to discuss this action with the Aquinnah Board of Selectmen with the intention of reconfirming, and perhaps formalizing the 48 year practice.

Thank you for agreeing to meet on June 18th at the Chilmark Town Hall at 7:30 PM.

Sincerely,

Tim Carroll
Executive Secretary