Town of Chilmark, MA

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes 02/21/17

Chilmark Board of Selectmen February 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Bill Rossi, Jim Malkin Warren Doty was not present

Public: Jane Slater, Alex Elvin, Isaiah Scheffer, Edie Prescott, John Tiernan, Dennis Keohane,

Staff: Jennifer Christy, Admin. Asst.

At 5:01 PM Acting Chairman Rossi called meeting to order in the Selectmen's meeting room.

Minutes

The minutes of January 10, 2017 were not reviewed and were tabled to the next Selectmen's meeting. The minutes of February 7, 2017 were not reviewed and were tabled to the next Selectmen's meeting.

Chief of Police Search Update:

Mr. Rossi gave a brief update of the interview process of five candidates on Friday, February 17, 2017.

- Reference checking and employment verification is in process.
- March 8 will be the date of the interviews of the three finalists.
- No announcement was made of the finalists at this time.

Pay & Classification Plan Update by UMASS Collins Center Status:

Mr. Malkin noted there is no update on the summary plan.

EelGrass Restoration Project Update:

Mr. Scheffer reported that he is on the right track and reported that he will keep at the job. Shellfish Constable Scheffer said more information will be available in the spring. There is good eelgrass in the area in the five sites in Quitsa that were chosen.

Mr. Rossi commended Mr. Scheffer on his eelgrass report and wished him success.

Shellfish Group Fundraiser:

Selectmen's office received a request from the MV Shellfish Group to hold their annual fundraiser at the Chilmark Community Center (CCC) as they have for many years and asked if the Selectmen would again waive the rental fee. This event is scheduled for April 15, 2017 at the CCC. Mr. Scheffer gave a brief overview of the fundraiser. Mr. Scheffer stated that Denny Jason is the local sponsor.

Mr. Rossi moved to approve the April 15th fundraiser at the CCC. Mr. Malkin seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 2 Ayes 1, not present

Public Hearing: Oak Bluffs Land & Wharf Company Street License:

The hearing was opened at 5:10PM.

Public Hearing: Oak Bluffs Land & Wharf Company Street License Continued...

Mr. Rossi read aloud the public hearing notice as published and noted the received MV Museum letter of endorsement that was provided by John Tiernan at the meeting.

Mr. Tiernan described the development of a historical script for the tours and he confirmed that the tours will not be traveling into Menemsha and the vans will be very clearly marked.

Mr. Tiernan noted his charge will be \$35-40 per person and he will not have time for trips to Menemsha or Squibnocket.

Mr. Malkin inquired how the history will be learned to give to the travelers. Mr. Tiernan welcomed any information and contacts.

Mr. Malkin introduced Mr. Tiernan to Ms. Slater and they engaged in a brief discussion about how Ms. Slater could help. Ms. Slater welcomed future work to make the historical script accurate and well-written.

There was no more discussion. The public hearing was closed at 5:17PM.

Mr. Malkin moved to approve the street license for the Oak Bluffs Land & Wharf Co. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rossi. SO

VOTED: 2 Ayes 1, not present

Cape Light Compact Joint Power Entity Creation:

No action was taken on this item.

Shuttle Lot Improvements:

Mr. Rossi briefly described the items for improvement to the area. He noted there is room in Reid Silva's plan it appears for 70 parking spaces in the proposed plan. Mr. Rossi noted that he would like to pursue the shuttle lot items when Mr. Doty and Mr. Carroll return. Ms. Slater inquired about the pre-fabricated nature of the bus shelter. No action was taken at this time.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant:

There was no warrant to review.

Special Town Meeting Zoning Articles:

Mr. Malkin stated he had spoken to the Moderator about the location of the 'beer and wine' warrant article in the warrant. No other discussion occurred and there was no action taken.

TriTown Ambulance Capital Purchasing Plan for FY18:

Mr. Rossi said Mr. Doty (the Selectmen representative on the TriTown Ambulance Committee) will present these at the next Selectmen's meeting.

Housing Bank Ballot Question Using CPA Funding:

Mr. Malkin and Mr. Rossi stated they would not take action on the item without a presenter on the topic. The Selectmen reviewed the letter from Mr. Sawyer. Mr. Malkin stated his view that an informational meeting needs to occur before the Selectmen Correspondence:

- Beach Committee Ad: it was noted the ad was received by the newspaper
- Cape Light Compact Aggregation Letter: the correspondence was not reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Meeting again called to order at 5:30PM due to the late arrival of Mr. John Abrams, representative of the effort to place a non-binding question onto the Annual Town Election ballot on April 26, 2017.

Housing Bank Ballot Question Using CPA Funding:

Mr. Abrams briefly described the effort that has come together within the last few weeks. Mr. Rossi described the amount of CPA funding that is already dedicated to affordable housing effort. Mr. Abrams stated that the CPCs are doing a good job and he doesn't think it will be a source of great funding but the island needs a centralized housing bank. Mr. Abrams characterized the effort as one to take the temperature of the island on this question of a housing bank.

Mr. Malkin noted the Town has taken great steps towards satisfying the needs for affordable housing. Mr. Malkin asked that the group provide an informational meeting and forum for this ballot question before the Annual Town Election. Mr. Abrams stated he is committed to a public informational campaign in Chilmark

Mr. Rossi requested that the ballot question item be placed on the March 7th BOS Meeting and Mr. Abrams stated that he would have a representative be at that meeting to speak to the ballot question.

At 5:43 PM. with no further items for discussion Mr. Malkin moved to adjourn. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 2 Ayes 1, not present

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer L. Christy Approved 03/07/2017 Document List:

- Draft minutes 01/10/17 & 2/7/17
- Posted public hearing advertisement for street license application
- Letter from Oak Bluffs Land & Wharf Company, Inc applying for street license
- Vineyard Housing Bank Citizen's Committee non-binding question for Town Election
- Request from MV Shellfish Group to hold fundraiser 4/15/17 at Community Center
- Joint Power Entity proposal by Cape Light Compact
- VLS plan for Tabor House Parking improvements
- Shelter options for Tabor House Road Parking lot
- LED lighting proposals for the Tabor House Road (THR) Parking lot

Document List Continued...

- Wiring schematics for lighting THR Parking Lot
- · Eelgrass Restoration report from Shellfish Constable Scheffer
- Advertisement posted in MV Times for beach Committee vacancy
- Cape Light Compact Aggregation letter