DRAFT Chilmark Select Board August 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Present remotely: Chairperson James Malkin, Warren Doty, Bill Rossi, Martina Mastromonaca and beach staff, Donna Cobert, Town Administrator Tim Carroll, Diana DeBlase, Ann Wallace, Peter Cook, Police Chief Klaren, Alex Dandino, news reporter Rich Saltzberg, MVTV Shavane Anderson, Carla G Salinas Jay Lagemann, Jennifer's I phone Noah Asimow, Nyjia Jones, Margaret Maida.

At 5:00 PM Chairperson James Malkin called meeting to order on the Zoom platform.

Recognition of CPR rescue at Lucy Vincent Beach August 1, 2021:

Chairperson Malkin read into the minutes

On August 1st 2021 at 11:20 AM a visitor to Lucy Vincent Beach entered the water at Cliff station A and did not resurface. Bystanders pulled the woman from the surf and called the lifeguards for assistance. Chilmark Beach staff, Firefighters, and Police Officers responded to the scene.
They provided lifesaving CPR and transported the patient to a waiting ambulance. The Tri Town EMTs stabilized and transported the patient to MV Hospital. Life Flight transported the patient to Boston. Where the patient is recovering.

The Select Board of the town of Chilmark recognizes and thanks the Chilmark Beach, Chilmark Fire Department, Chilmark Police Department, and the Tri Town Ambulance responders that helped at this near drowning. We also thank the bystanders that provided direct assistance.

We wish to specially recognize the lifesaving actions of Lifeguard Luke Sausville and Firefighter/RN Janice Brown for performing lifesaving CPR on the patient. Their prompt actions contributed directly to saving the life of this visitor.

BEACH STAFF:
Leif Iversen, 13 years and 22 days Lifeguard/Assistant Supervisor
Lila Norris (Conroy,) 5 years, 1 month and 22 Days Lifeguard/Assistant Supervisor
Hayden Sausville (Poole), 6 Years and 26 Days Lifeguard
Luke Sausville (Poole), 6 Years 26 Days Lifeguard CPR
Noah Gamper, 2 Years Lifeguard
Parker Bradlee, 1 year and 1month Parking Attendant
Teagan Myers, new this summer Parking Attendant
FIRE:
Janice Brown CPR, Victor Silva, Alan Porter, David Norton
POLICE:
Liz Rogers CPR, Bill Fielder, Forrest Filler, Bret Stearns, Paul Manning
EMS:
Matt Montanile, Samantha Smith, Pete Tennant, Jason Davey, Jason Blandini
Bystanders:
Sawyer Family & Francis Okine.

Mr. Doty said he was life guard 50 years ago and had saved a person, and it stays with you.
Mr. Rossi expressed his gratitude for the efforts made on August 1, 2021.

Minutes:
Draft minutes from June 1, 2021, June 22, 2021, July 6, 2021, July 22, 2021 and August 3, 2021 were reviewed.
Mr. Doty said he had no changes and moved to approve them all as written. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED:3 Ayes**

Filming Request – August 30/Sept 1, 2021:
Chairperson Malkin said we have a practice that we don't allow filming on beaches during the summer. Chairperson Malkin said he also has concerns about COVID surge at this time. Alex Dandino said the dates have changed to Aug 31 and Sept 2 for filming in public areas in Chilmark. Appreciate consideration will not impact livelihood or anyone's vacation. Nyjia Jones who is present with Alex Dandino said they are looking to be on a bus tour on the 8/31/2021 the 9/2 would be fishing and filming at Larsen's. Mr. Doty said if not at LVB or in Menemsha he could consider this. Mr. Doty said we stand by the June 15 – Sept 15 no filming in Menemsha or LVB. Mr. Rossi asked if the applicants could change the dates to after the 9/15/2021 dat. Mr. Dandino said they are not able to. Chairperson Malkin said if you are on tour van and don't film on beach or in stores and follow traffic rules it is ok. Mr. Doty said if in Larsen's 6:00 AM and gone before 9:00 AM it might be ok. Chairperson Malkin said in inside premises only. Mr. Rossi shared concern that vehicles be out of area by 9:00 AM. Nyjia Jones and Alex Dandino thanked the Select Board.

Block Grant Authorization- building renovations & child care:
Mr. Doty said we have done this before and we respect this group, it's a good thing. Select Board agreed. Mr. Doty moved to approve and sign authorization. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Buzzards Bay Coalition – Request Sept 23, 2021 Menemsha Beach:
Select Board reviewed request. Donna Cobert of the Buzzards Bay Coalition asked that the Select Board please look favorably on this and of course will keep eye to COVID restrictions & protocols. Mr. Rossi moved to approve request. Mr. Doty seconded the motion.
SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Menemsha Snow Fence – ConCom response to Select Person Malkin's request:
Chairperson Malkin said we received letter from Jay Lagemann asking to remove the snow fence from around the Swordfish Sculpture & wetlands resource area. Mr. Carroll said the ConCom (Conservation Commission) has no recommendation about the snow fence but looks forward to working with Select Board for dune management. Mr. Doty said it was put up in winter to keep sand from blowing into parking lot. Mr. Rossi recommended it be taken down. Mr. Doty supported taking down the snow fence. Jay Lagemann said it's (snow fence) short section, about 30-foot-long, it's ugly and blocking path and the sculpture. Jay Lagemann said there is erosion problem at the barrier dune by the 2 jetties.

Menemsha Snow Fence Continued…

Mr. Lagemann said folks from the beach have been treading on them (barrier dunes) and recommended that area have some restriction notices. Select Board requested that the Highway department remove the snow fence by the sculpture. Chairperson Malkin said thank you for bringing this to our attention.

Dukes County - American Recovery Plan Act Memorandum:

1. Mr. Rossi said we (County project review committee members) are looking for written requests from the town for the committee to review. Send to County Commissioners. Chairperson Malkin said Select Board and Tim can pull together ideas individually. Mr. Rossi said he is on steering committee and doesn't want to be involved with that step. Mr. Doty asked if they are anticipating applications from nonprofits, individuals and towns. And asked if it is appropriate for town to apply. Chairperson Malkin said he and Mr. Doty will send recommendations to Tim Carroll. Mr. Carroll spoke to spoke to the following items as possible projects for funds:
    - Menemsha Comfort Station
    - Municipal Fiber Network/Rural Broadband/MVLEC/Cable TV Advisory Committee
    - Island Upgrade to support treatment of Chilmark/Aquinnah/West Tisbury septage pump-outs as regional facility

    Mr. Carroll said that another suggestion is for Extra pay for essential workers. Chairperson Malkin recommended to tie to responders and emergency services.

Peaked Hill Pastures Community Housing:

1. Updates – Ann Wallace and Peter Cook (Planning Board members) present for this update.
2. Review of Forum # 2
   Mr. Cook said that poling was utilized at the latest #2 engagement meeting. Preparing for #3 September 23, 2021 meeting. Mr. Rossi asked if a proposal will be ready by end of year. Mr. Cook said we are reviewing memos from Middle Line Road project for procedure to follow to get to RFP. Ms. Wallace said we have received positive feedback. Ms. Wallace reported need for balancing rental and ownership we need to take ownership of a project. Most comments are "Hurry up and do it!"

3. Next Steps: Mr. Doty said the community is ready to see a specific proposal. Chairperson Malkin said to provide people with this is our recommendations. Not choices. Hard to get consensus can modify the one recommendation. Both Ms. Wallace and Mr. Cook said thank you for that recommendation. Select Board thanked Both Ms. Wallace and Mr. Cook for this update and continued work on this project.

Public Safety Building Committee:

1. Updates – Mr. Rossi said the committee is meeting this Friday to prepare for ConCom hearing on 17th and will be considering some adjustments utilizing some recommendations from the first part of this hearing.
2. ConCom continued public hearing 8/17/2021 at 9:00 AM
3. ZBA public hearing 8/26/2021 9:25 AM RE: preexisting non-conforming

Chairperson Malkin asked if there was any gain if the 3 Select People come to this hearing. Mr. Rossi said any support would be very welcome. We can attend. Mr. Carroll said the Select Board could attend, just no deliberation or taking action. Copy of report from consultant prior to meeting please distribute with Select Board members when we do have it.

Chairperson Malkin asked Police Chief Klaren to report on events that have happened in Chilmark and ones that will come. Police Chief Klaren said the Book Festival was a non-event, as far as police concern. Chief Klaren said Suellen did a great job. Chief Klaren said the Chilmark Road Race is this Saturday. Middle Road will be closed 8:30 to 12:30 PM.
Chairperson Malkin asked Chief Klaren if any applications for traffic staff came in from the USCG staff. Chief Klaren said yes we have 2 at this time.

COVID -19 Updates All Island:
Mr. Carroll said there is nothing to report at this time. Mr. Doty said health departments have issued an advisory to wear masks indoors. Stores, meetings etc… Delta variant very active on island. Mr. Carroll said our health agent Marina Lent is having a presentation via zoom from Aquinnah library.

CTAC- summer program incident:
Chairperson Malkin said this was not a town function or event it's independent. Anything that goes on in our town that is unfair to people could be bulling, stupid play or racial overtones certainly an upsetting issue. Until we get a report we will be aware and be very conscience of diversity and training. Our police force has taken training for this and continue to get training. We don't condone within our town racism, bulling or harassment in our community. Mr. Doty said the CTAC is taking the incident very seriously and will submit a report.

Town Hall Network:
Mr. Carroll reported about the IT upgrades recommended for the town hall system. It was recommended to upgrade to Sonic firewall, Mr. Carroll asked if we should put in next budget cycle. Mr. Carroll also asked if Select Board would rather Stay with what we have. Chairperson Malkin said hacking is an increasing problem and communication is getting harder. Mr. Carroll said our latest upgrade running fine but not secure. Chairperson Malkin said with 2 recent experiences (outside of Chilmark business) all materials backed up in cloud was paramount for recovery and said we should have town system backed up to the cloud.

Town Hall Network Continued…
Mr. Rossi asked for Special Town Meeting possibility. Mr. Carroll said possibility for late Oct early Nov for STM. Mr. Carroll said he recently upgraded our Comcast service. Mr. Doty asked Mr. Carroll to summarize a specific proposal for IT upgrades. Mr. Carroll said Educomp is working on that now.

Annual appointments:
Chairman Malkin recommended to put off appointments till August 24, 2021.

At 6:05 with no further items for discussion Mr. Rossi moved to adjourn. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Draft Minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase.

Document list:

- Release to public about beach rescue
- Beach Superintendent's report about beach rescue
- Draft minutes (5 sets) for Select Board meetings: 6/01/2021, 6/22/2021, 7/06/2021, 7/22/2021 and 8/03/2021.
- Filming request submitted by HBO Max
- County Commissioner Leopold's notice about American Recovery Plan Act funds and how they are screening applications to submit
- Baily Boyd Associates Inc. memorandum for the CDBG Grant participation
- Application from Buzzards Bay Coalition for beach event in Menemsha
- ZBA abutters notice about the Fire House building public hearing 8/26/2021
- Armstrong notice about the Bulkhead lease building plans and process for public input
- Lagemann request to remove snow fencing from area at the Swordfish Harpooner sculpture
- Eversource summer bill fact sheet
- DPU notice of public hearing for Eversource petition for approval of deferral of major storm threshold amounts for 2020 storms
- Mass. DFW notice of release of 15th edition of Natural Heritage Atlas
- Comcast July notice of changes to TV programing and services
- Comcast notice of Emergency Connectivity Fund
- Comcast notice RE Commitment to Digital Equity
- Granicus - proposal for Govservice online permitting & services