

Chilmark Select Board September 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Present remotely: Chairperson James Malkin, Warren Doty and Bill Rossi, Others: Tim Carroll, Clark Goff, Parker, Rich MV Times, Rob Hannemann, Rodney Bunker, Pam Bunker, Jeremie Rogers, Susan Stevens, Peter Cook, MVC Adam, Diana DeBlase, Alicia Knight, Louisa Hufstader Vineyard Gazette, Miriam Arens, MVTV, Dan Doyle MVC, Leslie Field, Yossi Monahan, Melanie Becker, Police Chief Klaren, Donna Buzzard Bay Coalition, Peter Neilley, Jbr Parker and Rebecca Thompson.

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

Minutes:

Draft minutes from Select Board meeting held on August 10, 2021 & Aug 24, 2021 were reviewed. Mr. Doty moved to approve both as written. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Vaccine Mandate - Select Doty:

Mr. Doty said there is no action but wanted to have a place holder if there was updated information from the Board of Health. Mr. Carroll said the BOH is not in favor of a mandate at this time.

Hazard Mitigation Plan- final adoption – MV Commission Dan Doyle:

Mr. Doyle presented the Hazard Mitigation Plan. *Link to MVC website where Hazard Mitigation Plans are posted and updated:*

https://www.mvcommission.org/sites/default/files/docs/DukesCountyMultiJurisdictionalHazardMitigationPlanUpdate_Aug12_2021.pdf

Mr. Rossi confirmed that any mitigation action would come to the town to approve prior to implementing. Mr. Doty said that structural mitigation strengthens Chilmark's coastal boundaries districts. Mr. Doty said, ours is quite strong.

Mr. Doyle asked for Select Board to approve Certificate of Adoption - Dukes County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Update – 2021: Mr. Rossi moved to approve the Certificate of Adoption, Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Film request on North Road:

Meriam Armens formerly Ditchfield who grew up here presented this filming request. Ms. Armens said the date is October 20, 2021 approx. 2 hours no shutting down just 300 feet between takes. Will try to coordinate crew down to 10 people. Chairperson Malkin asked how long the takes are. Ms. Armens said approx. 5 min. Mr. Doty said this would probably require police detail. Ms. Armens said she was waiting to see if approved by Select Board prior to meeting with Police Departments. Mr. Doty said it is unusual to close a road. Chairperson Malkin said he finds this problematic.

Film request on North Road Continued...

Police Chief Klaren said his concern is the location you are seeking to film at on North Rd the through traffic would be starting up on State Rd. in West Tisbury.

Chief Klaren said we would need to bring their department into this. With this sight the departments would need to be stopping traffic about more than 3 miles apart from each other. Ms. Armens said she was happy to reach out to West Tisbury Police department. Chairman Malkin said an alternate spot might be better. Chairperson Malkin said we will revisit this with possible alternate location at our next meeting 9/21/21.

Conservation Commission Agent - Town Administrator request to appoint Kara Shemeth retroactively to August 25, 2021:

Mr. Carroll requested Select Board appoint Kara Shemeth retroactive Conservation Agent. Mr. Doty moved to appoint Ms. Shemeth as Conservation Agent retroactive to August 20, 2021. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Public Safety Buildings - Update:

Mr. Rossi said we have some parking updates. Mr. Rossi recommended persons interested in the parking plan to come to tomorrow's meeting via zoom.

Fire Chief report:

Fire Chief was not present but his monthly report was received and reviewed. Mr. Doty said that the MV Commission said Chief Bradshaw was a great help for this (Hazard Mitigation Plan) project. Chairperson Malkin said Chief Bradshaw assisted in the water sources data for the MVC Hazard Mitigation report.

School Principal - Preschool classroom

Chilmark School Principal Susan Stevens asked to start talks about building space use and that we are running out of space soon. Principal Stevens suggested that behind the Chilmark school where obstacle course is maybe a modular building could be built for the preschool.

Alicia Knight gave a bit of preschool history; 2004 we formed a school taskforce to build attendance at Chilmark School. It's a good dilemma. Thrilled things have gone well and we support an expansion project. Anja May Preschool director said there is increase in need for childcare and early education spaces. Ms. May said we had people who wanted to be with us but we had to turn away.

Chairperson Malkin asked if Ms. May was requesting the town to consider another structure or committee. Ms. May said she would like to explore building on the site and asked if town would participate in partnering with preschool to make it happen.

Mr. Rossi said he was surprised we are talking about this because we were talking not long ago about there not being enough enrolment in our school. Might be pandemic related but recommended an assessment about needs prior to commitment.

Principal Stevens said it is the Town's preschool. But growth of preschool impeding the grade school now. Mr. Doty said this is a problem he has been dreaming of in a wonderful way. Mr. Doty said we need to step back. The boundary (where discussion of putting structure on for preschool) is limited and the abutter has told town they will not permit further. Mr. Doty asked about a temporary trailer on school area. Principal Stevens said we should look at all options. Mr. Rossi supported a feasibility study. Ms. May said what you want to see makes a lot of sense. And asked if there was a specific source recommended for the data. Chairperson Malkin recommended that Preschool Director May and Select Person Rossi have a phone discussion so we can move forward at a future Select Board meeting. Mr. Doty said he thinks of them (preschool & Chilmark Grade School) as a unit together. Chairperson Malkin requested a defined ask.

School HVAC Update:

There was discussion. Mr. Doty asked to wait till after Up Island Regional School Committee meeting this Monday and we can address again at Select Board meeting scheduled for 9/21/21.

Harbor grant from Seaport Economic Advisory Council:

Peter Neilley spoke to this and explained the process moving forward with phase 1: Fund engineering study. Important step for further grant applications.

Mr. Neilley said the grant funds from Seaport are \$55,000.00, and we have a ATM \$30,000 warrant with total of \$66,000 estimate for engineering study. Mr. Rossi thanked Peter Neilley for this work. Chairperson Malkin said he would also like to thank Ryan Rossi our Harbormaster who worked hard on this too.

Buzzards Bay Coalition - Menemsha dock at Larsen's Fish Market October 6, 2021:

Donna Cobert of save buzzards bay.org amended the first event request by moving the date from September to October 6, and the location from beach to around dock area by Larsen's Fish Market. Ms. Cobert said she understands the request made by the Harbormaster to move their vessel from the commercial dock if a commercial vessel comes in to unload. Ms. Cobert said their captain will remain onboard so that can be done at any time while they are docked on Commercial Dock. Mr. Doty moved to approve event as amended. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Chilmark Special Town Meeting:

Mr. Carroll asked what kind of protocols the Select Board would like for the Special Town Meeting this Fall. Chairperson Malkin requested: outside, weekend during the day. Mr. Doty supported this request. Mr. Rossi said we will hope for good weather. Mr. Carroll said same as last time but with a bigger tent. Select Board agreed that November 6, 2021 would work with their schedules. *Mr. Carroll screen shared list of possible warrant articles.* Mr. Rossi asked to add a \$5,500.00 article for Public Safety Building Civil specs. A more specific list will be reviewed at the next Select Board meeting.

Appointment of Boards, Committees, & Commissions:

Tim Carroll screen shared

Park & Recreation Committee: Andrew Goldman, Julie Flanders, Tim Carroll, Jim Malkin - Select Person and Jane Slater.

MV Land Bank TAB: Jim Malkin - Select Person.

Site Review Committee: William Rossi - Select Person

Tri Town Ambulance Committee: Warren Doty- Select Person

Dukes County Advisory: Board William Rossi- Select Person

Beach Committee: Clarissa Allen, Margaret Maida, Wayne Iacono, Jen Jamgochain and Allison Cameron Parry and Martina Mastromonaco - Beach Superintendent

Harbor Advisory Committee: (new) Fred Khedouri, Andrew Goldman, Jeffrey Maida and Stephen Broderick, Susan 8. Murphy Wayne Iacono, Jim Malkin – Select Person and Ryan Rossi - Harbor Master

Shellfish Advisory Committee: Denny Jason, Wayne Iacono, Matthew Mayhew, Scott Larsen, Elizabeth Lewenberg, Warren Doty- Select Person and Isaiah Scheffer - Shellfish Constable

MV Shellfish Group: Denny Jason

Council on Aging: Sarah S. Cook 2024

Historical Commission: James Malkin – Select Person 2024

Housing Committee: Andrew Goldman, William Rossi – Select Person and Ann Wallace (DCRHA)

Energy Committee: Hugh Weisman, Robert Hannemann, Michael Jacobs, Stephen Lewenberg and Jed Katch

Human Resources Board: Irene E. Ziebarth 2024

Community Center Advisory Committee (winter): Bill Rossi - Select Person, Rodney Bunker, Tim Carroll and Linda Coutinho (1 vacant)

Conservation Commission: Alexandra Broyard 2024
Russell Maloney 2024

Associate Member – Doug West

Associate Member – Sarah Glazer Khedouri

Zoning Board of Appeals: Russell Maloney 2025

Wendy Weldon 2026

Frank LoRusso 2026

Alternates- Joan Malkin and Joe Chapman

Joint Transportation Committee: Peter Cook

Mr. Rossi moved to approve list as discussed here tonight.

Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Hunting permission request:

Mr. Carroll asked if the Select Board would approve both Joseph and Phoenix Rodgers application to hunt Chilmark Forrest for Deer Season this year. Mr. Doty moved to approve, Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

At 6:43 PM with no further items for discussion Mr. Rossi moved to adjourn. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase.

Approved 10/05/2021

Document list:

- Draft minutes from Select Board meetings on 8/10/2021 & 8/24/2021.
- MVC documents about the Hazard Mitigation works
- MVC draft certificate of adoption (for Hazard Mitigation Plan)
- Chilmark Fire Chief September (monthly) report
- Request and description of filming request in Chilmark
- Conservation Commission recommendation to appoint Kara Shemeth Conservation Agent
- Draft Special town meeting calendar deadlines for registering to vote to be able to vote at STM etc.
- Hunting deer in Town Forest request from Mr. & Mrs. Rogers.

