

## Chilmark Select Board September 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Present remotely: Chairperson Jim Malkin, Bill Rossi and Warren Doty. others: Tim Carroll, Rob Hannemann, Clark Goff, Leslie Field, Louisa Hufstader, MVC- Meghan Gombos, JYF I phone, Miriam Arens, Peter & Sally Cook, Rich Saltzberg, MVTV, Isaiah Scheffer, Police Chief Klaren, Diana DeBlase and Susan Murphy, (19)

### Minutes

Draft minutes from Select Board meeting held 9/1/2021 were reviewed. Mr. Rossi moved to approve as written. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

### Chilmark School & Preschool – Space needs:

Chairperson Malkin said we had a site visit today at the Chilmark School. Chairperson Malkin said we need more data prior to plan of action. Select Board agreed that the UIRSD would address and deal with space needs and Select Board would weigh in on Preschool. Mr. Doty said he noticed that the building was incredibly clean. Mr. Doty said Principal Stevens has report for projected enrollment and will email this to us. Mr. Rossi said he is very interested in the data. Mr. Rossi would like to verify the information. Mr. Rossi also recommended getting data from Preschool director.

### Film Request - North Road (continued from 9/14/21):

Miriam Arens and Leslie Field have returned and proposed an alternative location. Ms. Arens said the area on Middle Road from 380 - 356 Middle Road. Mr. Carroll said area along Keith Farm Field. Ms. Arens said the production would entail: filming for 2 hours Oct 20<sup>th</sup> at dusk. Police Chief Klaren said this new location is much better for traffic flow. Much less inconvenient. Chairperson Malkin asked if Police Chief saw any safety issues with location. Chief Klaren said no, we do this for the Turkey trot yearly. It's a straight away. Mr. Rossi moved to approve request and traffic detour will be at discretion of Police Chief. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

### In-Person meetings of town boards - current recommendation:

Mr. Carroll asked if Select Board would vote to have all meetings remote till safer (COVID downward turn) per Board of Health recommendation. Mr. Doty said Cemetery site visit and the Shellfish Advisory outside ok. Chairperson Malkin agreed. Mr. Doty moved to endorse the Board of Health recommendation that meetings continue to be remote participation. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**  
Mr. Doty reiterated that this is not applicable to outdoor meetings.

### Shellfish Advisory Committee:

Constable Sheffer presented what was recommended from Shellfish Advisory Committee meeting held (outside) 9/20/2021. For Scallop recreational and commercial season as well as Oyster recreational and commercial season. Both end March 31, 2022. Season openings and regulations available on Chilmarkma.gov Shellfish page. Permits are also available for purchase at [www.chilmarkma.gov](http://www.chilmarkma.gov). Constable Scheffer said Eel grass has some positive growth this year. WD/BR approve as presented. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Shellfish Continued...

Mr. Doty said he would like to compliment Constable Scheffer on the work that he and Will (Assistant Constable) have done this year. Real credit to town and the program.

Warrant Article from Shellfish Group:

Isaiah Scheffer said the Chilmark Shellfish Advisory recommends to put warrant article on Chilmark warrant. \$36,000.00 to each town. After review Mr. Rossi moved to include on Chilmark's STM warrant. Mr. Doty seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Constable Scheffer said the bacterial testing follow-up we did samples and Sherry (of the MVC) filtered and froze. We will find out some information on contributors.

MV Commission Climate Action Plan – Megan Gombos & Liz Durkee from MVC

Liz Durkee and Megan Gombos from the Martha's Vineyard Commission started the slide show and presentation. Megan Gombos the lead consultant on Climate Action Plan narrated the presentation. *The following is a brief outline, for a more in-depth presentation please see information:* [https://www.chilmarkma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhliif2951/f/agendas/mv-cap\\_selct\\_board\\_sept\\_2021.pdf](https://www.chilmarkma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhliif2951/f/agendas/mv-cap_selct_board_sept_2021.pdf)

Regional Community Based Planning Process where we will be in 2040

See this on MVC website with storyboard and dashboard updates.

- Steering committee 1 from each town also 1 county rep, 1 tribe rep, 1 Brazilian liaison
- Six thematic working groups land use, infrastructure & transportation, Public Health ...
- Climate week 2022 May already 25 groups signed on to participate
- Steps: form steering committee & kickoff November.
- Guidance to share to give to recommended representatives role of group

Chairperson Malkin said we will get you some names. Chairperson Malkin asked if Peter Neilley had volunteered. Miss. Gombos said not yet but he has been very helpful and wanted it to be presented prior to putting his name forward.

Select Board thanked Ms. Gombos and Durkee for the presentation.

Housing Bank Coalition - request for letter of support to legislature:

Mr. Doty said we need to draft a support letter for 2 bills in legislation. It was decided that Tim Carroll and Warren Doty will work on the wording to submit. Mr. Rossi moved to approve endorsement. Chairperson Malkin seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Public Safety Building Committee – Updates:

Mr. Rossi reported that the committee is getting bid documents ready and will be meeting with landscape architect Friday at 11:00 AM. Changes were made to the parking layout and the committee voted in favor of change. Mr. Rossi said Bid to be ready to go out at the latest Mid October 2021. Mr. Carroll said there is an invoice from consultant hired by the ConCom and asked for Select Board to direct how to be paid.

Public Safety Building Committee Continued...

Mr. Rossi recommended that the Select Board vote to have invoice paid out of the Conservation Commission Wetlands Protection fund. Mr. Doty moved and Mr. Rossi seconded.

**SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Chilmark School HVAC:

Chairperson Malkin said at the most recent UIRSD Committee meeting the committee voted to approve an MOU with Chilmark and have Chilmark Borrow the \$ for Chilmark School HVAC project. Mr. Hannemann said there is roughly \$100,000 savings by having Chilmark with AAA rating borrow to fund this project. Mr. Hannemann said we need to complete MOU signoff prior to Chilmark STM in November.

Mr. Carroll said this is already on the draft STM warrant. Mr. Hannemann said Chilmark would pay bond payments, each town (that is part of the UIRSD) pay their % into UIRSD Budget and then schools send payments to Chilmark Treasurer. Mr. Carroll said next we need to get other Up Island Select Boards to move forward on their next meeting. Then the MOU reviewed and back to our lawyer. Chairperson Malkin requested that we continue to move forward on this project.

Compete Streets - October training class, working with MVC drafting policy for Select Board review after the class: Mr. Carroll said there will be training for town staff in October 2021.

ARPA request to Dukes County

Mr. Rossi said the County will be reviewing applications tonight.

*Power glitch Chairman Malkin and Rob Hannemann no longer on line*

Mr. Carroll asked Mr. Doty to be acting Chair until Mr. Malkin can rejoin.

Reprecinting Process for Single Precinct Town - Town Clerk

Mr. Doty moved to vote a single precinct. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 2 Ayes, 1 Not Present** Mr. Malkin

Special Town Meeting:

Mr. Doty said we have agreed to hold meeting Saturday November 6, 2021 1:00 PM with Tent for shelter. *Jim Malkin rejoined said his Wi-Fi out at residence, now on cell phone.*

Mr. Carroll screen shared draft warrant articles and talked to each article and at times had persons who submitted article talk to it for clarification and to answer questions. There are 18 articles proposed at this time. *One just place holder for compensation study but probably not doing funding till ATM.* Mr. Doty said pertaining to the Shellfish Group project, if can accomplish under the asking funds the funds must get returned to the towns. There was discussion about the Highway Department vehicle that the Fire Department would like but Highway not ready to turn over. Chairperson Malkin said this is capital equipment.

Special Town Meeting Continued...

Chairperson Malkin tasked the Town Administrator to do what is best for town not just each department. Mr. Carroll said he will.

Mr. Doty requested that the cash expense for this November Special Town Meeting be kept to \$100,000.00 or less.

Select Board agreed to call STM warrant 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in October.

MDAR - ACO training program requirements

Mr. Carroll said the State is nagging because they (Chilmark ACO and Asst. ACO) have not gone to training. Select Board agreed the ACO is operating as we have requested and would like to keep it as is.

Conservation Agent - stipend

Mr. Carroll said he is requesting \$500.00 per-month \$6,000.00 annually for the position pay.

Mr. Doty moved to approve stipend increase. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

**SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

At 6:24 PM with no further items for discussion Mr. Rossi moved to adjourn, WD seconded

**SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase.

**Approved 10/05/2021**

Document List:

- Draft minutes from Select Board meeting held September 1, 2021
- Recommendation from Shellfish Advisory Committee R: Scallop & Oyster Season
- Shellfish Advisory meeting minutes September 20, 2021.
- MVC template for town thematic working group selections
- MVC Climate Action Planning – presentation slides
- Housing bank- CCMVHB – transfer fee legislative summary August 2021
- Coalition to Create the Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank – CCMVHB report / info sheet
- CCMVHB endorsement template
- Draft Inter-Municipal Agreement with Towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark & West Tisbury with Up Island Regional School District 09/17/2021
- 2020 re-precincting Chilmark to remain single precinct.
- Single Precinct Authorization Form 2020 census –population Chilmark 1,212
- Quitclaim Deed with town of Aquinnah RE: boundary lines from 2017 ATM
- Surveying documents showing town boundary lines in Menemsha and Aquinnah
- Draft Special Town Meeting Calendar prepared by Town Clerk with deadlines to register to vote
- Shellfish Group proposed Special Town Meeting warrant article repairs to Hatchery
- Notice from Independent Living Advocate Jessica Simmons of CORD