

Chilmark Select Board July 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Present in-person and remotely: In person: Chairperson James Malkin, Warren Doty, Bill Rossi and Tim Carroll, Ann Wallace, Peter Cook, Cathy Thompson, Rob Hannemann. reporters Rich Saltzberg and James Scoval. Remote participation by: Police Chief Klaren and Diana DeBlase.

At 5:00 PM Chairperson James Malkin called meeting to order in the Select Board Meeting Room and also via Zoom.

Minutes:

Review of draft minutes tabled till minutes available for review.

Chilmark Community Center Summer program:

Mr. Doty reported that Summer Program director Alexandra London Thompson is taking leave this summer but program is well set up. Outdoors in tents working well. Good staff and going well. Chilmark Town Advisory Committee executive group meeting is July 18, 2021 to review how things are going.

Mr. Doty discussed the use of porta potties instead of indoor bathrooms. Mr. Carroll said the Tennis group is unhappy with that plan but that is plan for now.

Menemsha Sunset Police Chief report.

Police Chief Klaren reported that the weather on weekends has been stormy so there have not been crowds at sunset. Chairperson Malkin asked how the traffic officers were holding up. Police Chief Klaren said they are busy; tough job, but doing good job. Mr. Doty asked if the sunset VTA bus was running. Police Chief did not have VTA schedule but said he was notified that VTA will be canceling sunset shuttle service in inclement weather. How to deliver to public if cancel. Chairperson Malkin said cloudy weather is not considered for cancellation but storms are.

Chairperson Malkin recommended VTA notify town by calling Police Station (508) 645-3310 when they are cancelling due to stormy weather. There was discussion that electronic sign be used at Tabor House Parking lot and to coordinate for Police Department to program. Mr. Carroll said the electronic sign is also owned by West Tisbury & Aquinnah and we will need to coordinate use. Chief Klaren recommended sandwich board stating NO BUS SERVICE TONIGHT DUE TO STORMY WEATHER.

Harbor – July 4th review:

Chairperson Malkin reported the harbor had a boater operating at high speed and dealt with that issue. Chairperson James Malkin also spoke of litter from fireworks off dock from boat.

Tour Van operator letter from 2019:

Police Chief Klaren said tour vans stick out into traffic. Chief Klaren said the vans are in Menemsha 11-1 then second wave from 3-5 daily. Mr. Doty said can't park in front of markets and need to be parked in a legal parking place. Chairperson Malkin asked if Select Board needs to reissue the message to tour van companies. Chief Klaren reviewed past notice and recommended some updates. Chairperson Malkin recommended we send to owners and then keep some on hand for traffic officer to hand out if needed.

End of FY 2021 Accounting

Town Administrator Tim Carroll said we are scheduled for a yearend transfers meeting for Wednesday July 14th 1:00 PM. Select Board will join FinCom to facilitate approval of recommendations of the FinCom.

In Person & Zoom meetings-update:

Mr. Carroll said at this time the Assessors, Cemetery Commissioners and Select Board are meeting in person, all others are still zoom.

Public Safety Building Committee- Update:

Mr. Rossi said the latest update / change to our plans is the Generator will be located on the EMS lot and not next to fire station. ConCom & ZBA hearings are set on the calendar. Mr. Rossi said we are on track for timing of project. Warren Doty said he will attend the ConCom hearing for the PSB on 7/20/2021.

Mr. Carroll said in reference to the building on 399 Middle Road: if value of house is under a certain amount of value the town can dispose as we see fit. Mr. Rossi said value less than \$10,000.00. Mr. Doty moved to approve declaring house on 399 Middle Road surplus and value under \$10,000.00. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Regional energy planning assistance grant for 2022-2023:

Mr. Hannemann said we will be applying for these grants for the Public Safety Building project.

Chilmark School - HVAC update & school district bonding to accomplish this project, using town's better credit rating to borrow:

Chairperson Malkin gave a brief outline of project and that we failed to get bid that we can accept. Mr. Hannemann began the discussion on how to move forward. Mr. Hannemann said an additional \$750,000.00 (estimate) is needed to do this project on top of what was already requested. Mr. Carroll said this is almost 1 million dollars. Mr. Hannemann said we will need consultant to reevaluate. Discussion ensued. Mr. Hannemann said we are at year 4 of trying to move forward with this HVAC project. Mr. Doty said any borrowing needs to involve our Treasurer Melanie Becker and recommended a short term 3 year borrowing. Mr. Hannemann said need this on the Special Town Meeting (Fall 2021) warrant. Mr. Rossi said we need approval of school committee first. Chairman Malkin recommended we send this to Melanie Becker and ask her to comment on how we should proceed at the July 20 meeting.

Appointment to UIRSD Environmentally-friendly Building Task Force

Mr. Carroll asked if there was a recommendation from Energy committee. Mr. Rossi said he has someone in mind and will contact Bill Dillon.

REPA MOU: Cape Light compact - grant for green communities' agreement. vote to authorize signing. RH/ CLC planning for the energy grants for the BSBP.

Planning Board memo: update on Peaked Hill Pastures Housing:

Peter Cook said they had over 40 participants in the first community discussion meeting. The July 26th meeting will entail detailed conversation of the scope of project and after our 3rd meeting is the next public forum on this project.

Mr. Doty asked if the input so far supports rental vs homeownership. Mr. Cook said we see need on both fronts. Mr. Rossi said for rental can you target applicants IE teachers, firefighters etc. Chairperson Malkin said if we do this project without DCRHA we could. Ms. Wallace said its public money. Mr. Cook said this will be part of discussion 2 & 3. Mr. Carroll said in the past affordable lots we had preferences with random draw. Mr. Rossi said this was a weighted lottery. Mr. Cook said the initial report stated we could have 72 bedrooms. The scope is not appropriate for the area probably 35 would be more appropriate. Need is greater than this one project. Committed to working with housing bank.

Planning Board – Appointments memo:

Planning Board has sent the Select Board a letter of recommendation to appoint Cathy Thompson to the Community Preservation Committee. Mr. Doty moved to appoint Cathy Thompson to the Community Preservation Committee. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

Request to Use of Chilmark Community Center for private party for nonresident:

Chairperson Malkin recommended to keep with our plan for the school and preschool use of the CCC. And limit other use to Chilmark residents only on a limited basis.

Mr. Doty moved to not approve this application. Mr. Rossi seconded the motion.

SO VOTED: 3 Ayes

At 6:10 PM with no further items for discussion Chairperson Malkin asked to motion to adjourn. Mr. Rossi moved, Mr. Doty seconded **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diana DeBlase. **Approved 08/10/2021**

Document list:

- VTA sunset shuttle schedule
- 2019 memo to tour van drivers
- Outline of school HVAC project status
- School Superintendent letter asking for representative be appointed to UIRSCD Environmentally – Friendly building task force.

- Regional energy planning assistance grant for 2022-2023
- Chilmark Planning Board Subcommittee report on Pecked Hill Pastures project
- Planning Board appointment letter & recommendation for appointment
- Town clerks number of voters' report
- Poster for Stand against violence event July 10th by Community Services