

Aquinnah Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting 4/15/2014
Aquinnah Town Hall Selectmen's Mtg Room

Members present: Chairman Beverly Wright, Spencer Booker.

Also present: Town Administrator Adam Wilson, Lighthouse Relocation Chairman Len Butler, DPW Director Jay Smalley, Simon Bollin, Police Chief Randhi Belain, Sgt Paul Manning, Town Moderator Mike Hebert, Fire Chief Simon Bollin, Gazette Reporter Remy Tumin, June Manning, Jessica Passifume, Jason Snow, Samantha Church

The meeting began at 5:32 pm.

-1st on the agenda under Old Business was a review of minutes from 4/1.

There was discussion about the garbage situation at the cliffs and whether or not the town would take full responsibility for all public refuse removal. Beverly thought the restaurants under the Tribe's lease would still have to put their refuse receptacles out in front of their establishments and be responsible for content removal on a daily basis. There was discussion about the town putting out more trash receptacles so that the restaurant owners would then only be responsible for their own business operation related trash. Spencer said the highway department would assume the majority of trash collection up at the cliff area. Jay said he was willing to put out more cans by the food establishments so that refuse can be maintained and said where he would put them.

The Board, by consensus, agreed that the Department of Public Works will handle all the public generated trash removal at the Cliffs.

Beverly also asked that Simon stated that he had passed along a job description to the personnel committee and was waiting for it to be reviewed.

Spencer made a motion to accept the minutes from April 1st, 2014 as amended. Beverly seconded.

The Board voted 2- 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-Next on the agenda under New Business was a meeting with the relocation committee chair Len Butler. He detailed the history of the RFP Process for a qualified mover for the Lighthouse. He said International Chimney Corporation (ICC) was the only bidder and has a history of successful lighthouse moves.

Len gave the financial numbers for moving the lighthouse to both Site 1 and Site 3. He talked about the costs being only for moving the light. He said he's pleased with the price ICC submitted. He read a letter from Sconset Trust and their happiness in working with ICC in relocating the Sankaty Lighthouse on Nantucket

-Len said the contract that Adam and Town Counsel put together has been approved by his committee and recommended by the full Save the Gay Head Lighthouse Committee.

Spencer made a motion to approve the contract for International Chimney Corporation to be the movers of the Gay Head Light

-In the discussion Jay asked where ICC's equipment will be staged. Len said the work is planned to be all done in the offseason and will most likely use the town parking lot

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

Beverly signed the contract on behalf of the Board.

-Next on the agenda was a request from Jessica and Jason for use of the Aquinnah Roads for a ½ man Iron Man Distance Triathlon. The event was scheduled for September 7th. Jessica explained that the event is in the morning and shouldn't interfere with the Powwow scheduled later in the day. Jessica said it will be a non-profit event, hoping to benefit the Y. Randhi said he has no problem with the event but that it needs approval from all the towns. By consensus the Board agreed to letting the ½ man Iron Man Distance Triathlon occur the morning of September 7th.

-Next on the agenda was a meeting with Aquinnah Taxi Owner Samantha Church. Adam explained that Samantha was seeking a renewal of her license with the town to once again run her transportation business. She said the rates

have not changes from the previous year and that she'd like a 5th license as she has many events Up-Island booked in the spring and fall and needs the extra van in order to accommodate the parties and their guest transport needs. Spencer made a motion to renew Aquinnah Taxi's license for 2014 and approval of a fifth taxi license. Beverly seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

In Selectmen's Other Business, The Board took up the request from Rep Madden's office for a flag to go to the state house to be hung with the other flags from the island (and all the municipalities). There was discussion of having more than one made so that one can be hung at Town Hall. Spencer said to have as many flags as the budget will allow.

There was consensus by the Board to have at least two town flags made for the State House and the Town Campus.

-In Other Business there was discussion of the Tribe's Turtle Program utilizing the Old Town Hall this season. Beverly said she didn't understand the need as the program runs under a tent during the summer over at the Tribe. There was discussion about other facilities used for the children's program that are under repair there.

The Board decided to take the request under advisement and talk to Carolyn about the availability of the Old Town Hall.

-In Other Business Beverly asked Spencer how the formation of the Capital Expenditure Committee was going. There was agreement that the committee should have 7 members. Beverly also asked the status about the Tribe – Town Public Safety Agreement. Randhi said it's still under legal review by the Tribe.

-There was discussion about having a building safety policy in place and to incorporate the shed at Menemsha in it.

-In Other Business, Jay had a reserve fund transfer request for funds needed to de-sand the town roads. The amount was \$4,576.00. The amount remaining in the reserve fund is \$14,703.87.

Spencer made a motion to approve the \$4,576.00 dollar transfer from the reserve fund to the Highway Department account for the purpose of hiring a company to remove the sand from the town roads. Beverly seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

Beverly and Spencer signed the transfer form.

-The Board reviewed the Special and Annual Warrants. Every article was approved by the Board. Beverly asked that the article to bring back the \$5K for the Circle site plan be created and that the money go to the remedial work for the path's water run-off. Adam said he'd write it up and have it included in the Special.

Spencer made a motion to approve the 2014 Special and Annual Town Warrants. Beverly seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-In other business Mike Hebert reported that the solar panels at the Circle Restrooms had finally been fixed and were operational again.

-Beverly asked if there was anything else to discuss. Hearing none...

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

The meeting ended at 7:42 pm.