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Town of Chilmark Board of Selectmen September 21, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Present: Frank Fenner, Warren Doty, Jonathan Mayhew, Tim Carroll, Jonathan Revere, Mathew Brockman, Christina Flynn, Pamela Bunker, Clarissa Allen, Bob Bellinger, Barbara Silk, Emily Day, Brian Cioffi, Todd Christy, Brian Ditchfield, Tim Broderick, Alec Gale, Elizabeth Oliver, Remy Tumin,

7:30 pm. Chairman Doty called meeting to order in the Selectmen's meeting room.

Minutes:

Draft Minutes from July 6, 2010 Mr. Fenner moved to approve minutes as written Mr. Doty seconded. **SO VOTED: 3Ayes**

Draft Minutes from August 31, 2010 Mr. Fenner moved to approve minutes with amendments. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Draft Minutes from September 7, 2010 Mr. Fenner moved to approve minutes with amendments. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Public Hearings:

Assistant Assessor Pamela Bunker presented information and board's recommendation for the Tax Classification of the FY2011.

The selectmen are to decide whether to have a single tax rate or to split the rate into 5 different classes. Those classes are as follows: residential, open space, commercial, industrial and personal. The Board of Assessors recommends a single tax rate as 98% of the town is residential.

7:46 pm. chairman Doty close public hearing.

Mr. Fenner moved to approve the Assessors recommendation for a single tax rate for the FY2111.

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

The selectmen singed that they are voting a single tax rate. This is not the actual tax rate

7:49 pm. Public hearing for the Community Development Strategy 2010

Christina Flynn presented material to review and hearing took place. During the review period Mr. Fenner recommended that a section be added to the application about the Menemsha hardships due to the fire on July 12, 2010. In particular hardships to the Fishermen who lost property and livelihood. Mr. Doty pointed out that the grants are for housing but agreed that the addition to the wording in document could add strength to the application.

7:52 pm. Christina Flynn closed the public hearing.

Mr. Fenner moved to approve the Community Development Strategy as amended. Mr. Mayhew seconded. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

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Triathlon:

Mr. Mathew Brockman presented a proposal to have a Triathlon for next September 18th which is a Sunday. The Chief of Police Brian Cioffi spoke of his concerns due to the narrowness of our roads and the traffic at Bettelbung corner intersection. The Selectmen would like some more information on the proposed event before they make a decision.

Mr. Brockman will supply the Board of Selectmen more information for their next scheduled meeting on the 5th of October.

Chilmark Community Center Scheduling:

The Martha's Vineyard Film Festival is preparing for the 11th annual Spring Festival for 2011. The date is to be March 18th 19th and 20th 2011. The MVFF asks to be allowed access to the Center to set up for the event the Thursday prior to their event and also allow for cleaning up the following Monday. As long as the Chilmark School Children's gym class is not disturbed all of the proposed plans are acceptable. Mr. Doty said that the tent worked fine last year and would be fine for this year as well.

The MVFF intends to add hearing devices instead of a rental fee. The hearing device will stay in the Chilmark Community Center for year round use.

In addition to the annual festival the MVFF will be holding monthly Family Shorts nights with locally made foods and family fun. The Dates set for the Family Dinner and Film nights are as follows: November 13th

December 4th

January 8th

February 5th

Mr. Fenner moved to approve request from MVFF for dates that they have supplied.

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

Beach Committee:

Pamela Bunker presented the Beach Committee's proposed improvements to Lucy Vincent Beach. The Committee estimates that the improvements would cost \$5,000. A board walk is estimated at \$1,700 with labor for clean up and removal of wood debris to cost \$3,000. The pond owners association provided bails of mulch hay for protecting vulnerable spots last year we might purchase these this year.

Mr. Doty said that the Finance Committee meeting in January should be a good time to work out the Beach Department funding.

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Tri Town Ambulance Administration Assistant Position:

Tri Town Ambulance Chief Bob Bellinger spoke of their process in finding the candidate Barbara Silk for the position of administrative assistant to the Ambulance Chief. Eight candidates were interviewed and Ms. Silk was chosen because he feels she is the best person for the job.

Jonathan Mayhew greeted Barbara Silk and looks forward to her assistance to the Tri Town Chief. Barbara returned the greeting. She will be working 15 hours a week.

Mr. Fenner moved to appoint Barbara Silk to the position of administrative assistant to the Tri Town Ambulance Chief. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3Ayes**

Personnel Board Administrative Assistant Position:

The Personnel Board asks that the Board of Selectmen appoint Todd Christy to the position of administrative assistant to the Personnel Board. Mr. Fenner said Mr. Christy has been doing a great job in this position and moved to appoint Todd Christy administrative assistant to the Personnel Board. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3Ayes**

Vineyard Sound Mussel Grants:

Mr. Doty spoke of a 15 acre site on the North Shore. Tim Broderick and Alec Gale have expressed interest and would like a grant of 5 acres. This would be for 10 lines set 50 feet apart.

Mr. Carroll said that the next step in the process will be to advertise for the grants asking interested parties to send letter or application to the Selectmen at Chilmark Town Hall by October 1st. That way the applications can be put on the Selectmen's Agenda as a public hearing for Selectmen's Meeting on October 5th.

Molly Flender Affordable Housing Trust:

Mr. Carroll said we need to form a board of trustees. The board shall include 5 trustees, including one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member of Housing Committee, one member of the Planning Board, one member of the Finance Advisory Committee, and one member at-large, all to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Tim will write to the three committees to ask if they have members and also advertise for the position.

Mr. Fenner mentioned he will be unavailable for the October Selectmen's meeting as he will be travelling in Scotland and Ireland.

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County Fuel Bid:

After review of the bid Mr. Fenner moved to accept Fuel Bid as it will save The Town of Chilmark money. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Middle Line Road –Updates:

The Resident home sites have one completed prefabricated home. Also a post and beam is in place.

The Rental Duplex area trees have been cut and sights are clear. Seaver Construction is moving forward by the book.

Emily Day has sent out bid request for a Fire Suppression unit for the Middle line property. This will be a large water tank. Advertisement will be posted in the news paper.

Scallop Season:

Selectmen Fenner moved to open Scallop Season for family permits Friday October 1st (½ bushel limit). Mr. Mayhew Seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

The Shellfish Council will meet around the 10th of October to review and set date for commercial season.

e Agenda:

Tim Carroll said tonight's agenda is on our Virtual Town Hall web page. News reporter Remy Tumin mentioned she found it quite useful and did not have to call the Executive Secretary numerous times to find the information.

Mr. Fenner would like to make sure that the public does not think that the drafts of the minutes are approved because they have been posted. Mr. Fenner recommends that each page be clearly marked as **DRAFT**.

Special Election:

During the State elections in November we could be holding a Special Town Election to have debt exclusion for borrowing \$1.5 million for the West Dock Connector Pier.

The Selectmen discussed the reasons for doing this with Executive Secretary Tim Carroll and believe it is a good decision to do now. Rather than wait till the spring.

Mr. Mayhew moved and Mr. Fenner seconded. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

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State Highway:

Tisbury Public Works presented in writing a proposal to the State to take control of all maintenance of the State roads. Tim Carroll said there is already some thing like this on Nantucket; we could ask them how it's working on Nantucket.

The Selectmen have concerns as to having the funds from the State for the maintenance. The Selectmen are interested in more information and are willing to join discussions.

All Island Board of Selectmen's Meeting:

There will be an all Island Board of Selectmen's Meeting Thursday September 23, 2010 at the Aquinnah Town Hall.

Cable TV:

All island cable TV meeting to elect officers will be held Thursday September 30, 2010 at the West Tisbury Town Hall. Mr. Doty asked that Tim Carroll attend for the Selectmen.

Memorial Service for Rusty Walton:

Mr. Doty announced that there will be a Memorial Service for Rusty Walton on October 9, 2010 2:00 PM at the Chilmark Community Center. This will be a Pot Luck affair and there will be a time to share stories.

Insurance coverage review and Update:

Mr. Mayhew would like to have an update of the insurance coverage for the Town of Chilmark. Mr. Doty has arranged with the Executive Secretary to do this on Friday September 24th at 1:00pm in a conference call with the town's insurance company MIIA.

9:52 PM Mr. Fenner moved to adjourn. Mr. Mayhew seconded the motion. **SO VOTED: 3 Ayes**

Draft minutes respectively submitted by Dilly DeBlase