# TISBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, October 14, 2014
Fishury Town Hall – 5:30 PM

Tisbury Town Hall – 5:30 PM Jonathan V. Snyder, Chairman

Tristan R. Israel

Melinda F. Loberg, Clerk

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Compensation & Classification / Organizational Change Study

18th Annual 20-Miler Road Race Request - MV Boys & Girls Club - Saturday, February 14, 2015 (Peter Lambos)

Bella's Musical Puppet Show - Annual Halloween Parade Request - 3-4 p.m. - Mansion House to Le Grenier

November Meeting Schedule [Nov. 4 (Election Day) and November 11 (Veterans Day)]

23rd Annual CROP WALK - October 19, 2014 via Traditional Route - RT Vineyard Haven - Oak Bluffs

## DEPARTMENTAL and OTHER REPORTS

Assessors re: FY2015Tax Rate Classification Hearing – Preliminary 3rd Quarter Tax Bills

Dredge Committee - Spring Pond Update

Finance & Advisory Committee Appointment - Nancy B. Gilfoy (until Elections 2015)

Police Chief re: Halloween Safety Plan - Street Closings from 5:00-10:00 p.m. to Traffic - Per Proposed Map

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

6:00 p.m. - FY2015 Community Development Strategy

## **DISCUSSION SESSION**

CPA Eligibility Applications due October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ralph Friedman re: Support for Community Preservation Act Funding Request to Upgrade Katharine Cornell Theatre Professional Lighting Equipment

## ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

<u>License Renewals</u> - <u>Common Victuallers</u>: Artcliff Diner; Bite on the Go; Mad Martha's; Bob's Pizza &Café; The Net Result; John's Fish Market & Sandy's Fish & Chips; Sweet E's; Vineyard Haven Yacht Club; West Chop Club; Woodland Variety & Grill; Waterside Market; Mocha Motts; Tropical Restaurant & Bakery; Blue Canoe Grill and Saltwater.

Hawkers' & Peddlers: Artcliff Food Truck

## Approval of Treasury Warrants

\$111,256.83
\$292,344.14
\$875.60
\$919.46
\$453,721.11
\$932,005.17

#### Approval of Minutes

July 1, 2014 - Regular Session

July 1, 2014 – Executive Session

July 15, 2014 – Regular Session

July 29, 2014 - Regular Session

July 29, 2014 - Executive Session

\*August 5, 2014 - Regular Session

\*August 5, 2014 - Executive Session

Merit Review

Philip Dwyer, Wastewater Operator (Grade 4) - Department of Public Works

**OLD BUSINESS** 

**NEW BUSINESS** 

PUBLIC COMMENT

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Vote to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, real estate, litigation and contract negotiations, (not) to reconvene in Open Session.

The Board of Selectmen met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 in the Town Hall.

<u>Present</u>: Jonathan V. Snyder, Chairman, Tristan R. Israel and Melinda F. Loberg, Clerk; John W. Grande, Town Administrator and Aase M. Jones, Assistant to the Town Administrator.

Call to order: 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Jonathan Snyder.

Closing of Le Grenier Restaurant: Ms. Loberg reported that over the weekend she attended the closing and a last meal at Le Grenier Restaurant, which has been a fixture on Main Street for 36 years, under the ownership of Jean Dupon, providing excellent French food for locals and visitors during that time. Ms. Loberg added that she knows the restaurant, its fine food and M. Dupon will be missed.

The Selectmen concurred and agreed that a letter of thanks and appreciation will be sent to Mr. Dupon. Ms. Loberg noted that Mr. Dupon also received a Certificate from the State Legislature.

Town Administrator's Report: was taken up next. All documents presented by the Town Administrator for review by the Selectmen, are hereby incorporated by reference. Mr. Grande noted that he has been working to move forward with several projects, approved and funded by vote of Town Meeting, as follows:

Compensation & Classification Plan - Scope of Services Proposal: for 65 positions, was presented next for BOS consideration. Mr. Grande noted that a Step 7 may be added to the union wage scale. Mr. Grande stated further that it is recommended that the Managerial and Professional Classification Plan be reviewed every three years, noting that 2012 was the last year that the M&P positions were looked at by a consultant and pointing out that since that time the following new M&P positions have been approved by Town Meeting and filled: Lieutenant in the Police Department; Wastewater Superintendent, Assistant DPW Director and Laboratory Director in the Department of Public Works.

Mr. Grande commented further on the Town's interest in establishing a Department of Natural Resources, with a position for Natural Resources Director, adding that Town Meeting approved the expenditure of up to \$5,000 to explore the possibility of moving in this direction.

<u>Draft of Town Organizational Chart</u>: was presented to the Selectmen for review. Mr. Grande explained that this study would seek to take advantage of information technology and be based and built on the CDM Smith study and its recommendations of a couple of years ago.

Mr. Grande commented that the Town's structure is complex and is made up of several independently elected Boards (Planning, Health, Library, Department of Public Works, Water Department) which essentially have control over the employees under their purview - except for the fact that most of these employees are unionized and fall under the Selectmen with regard to terms of employment and wages negotiated through a union contract.

Mr. Grande commented further that the Town must look at better utilization of staff resources, adding that some checks and balances exist through actions and votes of Town Meeting.

Mr. Grande continued his comments by stating that roadways, for example, is one area where independent jurisdictions can pull together for better efficiency, adding that by looking into this an opportunity for restructuring can be accomplished through improved communications. Mr. Grande stated that he hopes the Selectmen will support moving in this direction and perhaps review and better define these goals with the consultant before proceeding.

Mr. Grande pointed out that a comprehensive study, which has not been done since the previous Town Administrator. He concluded by asking for comments from the Board.

Ms. Loberg commented that she is pleased to hear that these studies are "in the works", noting that the vision planning process through the Planning Board is also underway. She urged seeking to interface with other Boards and noted that the Planning Board will provide a summary of the results of the visioning project, and concluded by suggesting that before going further with the organizational study, the Selectmen need to see the results of the vision planning process.

Mr. Grande pointed out that the Compensation and Classification Study/Plan needs to be done in the near term.

Mr. Israel commented that he feels that the jobs and job descriptions need to be tracked across the Commonwealth, adding that with regard to a Natural Resources Department, he would like to see the Selectmen work with the Department of Public Works and other departments that will participate in this, adding that he feels that some "disconnect" exists between the Selectmen and other departments.

Mr. Snyder requested a brief summary of the cost of the study and who will be doing it.

Compensation and Classification Study: Mr. Grande reported that Town meeting approved \$40,000 for the personnel Wage and Classification study, adding that the proposal to be reviewed is from Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Management of the University of Massachusetts, Boston, and would include review of job descriptions for existing positions, for both union and managerial and professional staff at a cost of \$30,000, with payments to be made on the following schedule: \$10,000 when questionnaires are distributed and \$20,000 upon submission of final report. Additional visits or presentations, if required, will be billed at \$150/hr.

Natural Resources Department: Mr. Grande reported that up to \$5,000 was authorized to be expended from the Selectmen's Consultant Budget line item to explore the possibility of establishing a Natural Resources Department.

He pointed out that funding for the Organizational Review would have to be funded through these sources - Town Meeting Article and/or the Consultant Fund. With regard to the Department of Natural Resources, the needs of personnel for this new department must be identified and any new position(s) "plugged into" the Managerial and Professional Classification Plan schedule of positions.

Mr. Snyder then inquired which consultant organizations were contacted to submit proposals for these studies/projects.

Mr. Grande reported that he contacted Ridley & Associates, Inc., for the Natural Resource Department study, noting that this firm has worked for the Town before, adding that he was impressed with the firm's evaluation of the Phase I Solar Array project.

Mr. Grande stated further that he was impressed and liked very much the strong proposal for the Natural Resources Department study by Ridley & Associates, and concluded by recommending that this study be kept study separate from the organizational study.

Ms. Loberg concurred that it would be best to keep the study of the Natural Resources Department study separate, as this concept is such a new idea for the Town.

It was noted that the Ridley & Associates cost for the Natural Resources Department study is \$6,500.

Mr. Israel commented that the CDM Smith Study from March 2012 was what he described as "not impressive".

Mr. Grande reported that these studies will all include interviews with parties concerned noting that the candidates for the assignments were advised that strong communication with entities in Town are desired as part of the work product. Mr. Grande commented further that with regard to the compensation and classification study, previous studies will be consulted, adding that he is aware of this consultant's expertise and in-depth review process.

A brief discussion followed on a competitive bidding process for these contracts. Mr. Grande informed the selectmen that consultant services contracts are exempt - not subject to state bidding law requirements.

Mr. Israel then stated that he is more comfortable with the Town Administrator working with Ridley & Associates on the Natural Resources Department study, and then made the following,

Motion: That the Town use Ridley & Associates, Inc. for the Natural Resources Department study. M/s/c.

Motion: (Ms. Loberg): That the Board of Selectmen approve the scope of services for a compensation and Classification Study by the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management at University of Massachusetts, Boston, for a fee of \$30,000, according to the documents with terms and conditions as presented and as discussed. M/s/c.

Human Resource Policy Audit/Study: Mr. Grande reported that the last component in this effort involves a Human Resource Policy Audit/Study, with a Scope of Work as defined in a similar proposal to the Town of Westford, to perform a review of existing human resources policies, to assure that they meet requirements and is

kept up to date with regard to application to union, non-union and other employees.

Mr. Grande noted that he has a proposal from the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management at University of Massachusetts, Boston to perform this human resources policy Audit for a fee not to exceed \$4,500.

Motion: That the Board of Selectmen approve the Scope of Services Proposal from the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management at University of Massachusetts, Boston, for a fee not to exceed \$4,500, for a Human Resource Policy Audit according to the documents presented and as discussed. M/s/c.

Various Road Race Requests: were approved as follows:

Boys & Girls Club Request to hold 18<sup>th</sup> Annual 20-mile Road Race - February 14, 2015: was presented with the customary request that the organizer work closely with Police, Fire and EMS personnel to make sure that all safety concerns are met and that signs put up are removed once the race event is over. M/s/c.

Island Clergy Assoc. - Request for 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Vineyard CROP WALK - Sunday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> - 2:00 p.m. From St Augustine's Church via Franklin-Center-Union-Water Streets & Beach Road to Oak Bluffs and back: was approved without discussion. M/s/c.

Bella's Musical Puppet Show Request for Annual Children's Halloween Parade: from the corner of the Mansion House on Main Street, on the sidewalk to Le Grenier Restaurant building from 3 - 4 p.m. on October 31<sup>st</sup>, was approved and it was noted that all concerned departments are aware of this event and have approved it. M/s/c.

Police Chief Hanavan and Fire Chief Schilling have confirmed their support for these events.

Ms. Loberg reminded everyone that the Board will discuss later in the meeting the closure of certain streets on Halloween for the protection of the children "trick & treating".

6:00 p.m. - FY2015 Community Development Strategy Public Hearing: was called to order by the Chairman and the legal notice advertising the hearing for two consecutive weeks, as required to qualify for Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Block Grants, was read into the record. The draft document of the FY2015 Community Development Strategy prepared and presented by Martha's Vineyard Commission Economic Development & Affordable Housing Planner Christine Flynn is hereby incorporated by reference.

<u>Present</u>: Christine Flynn, Economic Development & Affordable Housing Planner, Martha's Vineyard Commission. Others present were requested to sign the official attendance sheet passed around at the meeting.

Mr. Grande commented that this hearing is an annual event, required by the State to meet requirements to qualify the Town and make the Town eligible to apply for Community Block Development Grants (CDBG) which has a two-faced utilization: (1) grants for residents to rehabilitate homes for low -moderate income residents and (2) financial assistance to qualified low-moderate income families to provide childcare subsidies.

Ms. Flynn noted that the Town has participated in this program in a joint application submitted with the Town of Oak Bluffs as the lead Town and also with the Town of Edgartown as a co-applicant.

It was noted by Aase Jones that she has provided for review by the Selectmen a marked-up copy of suggested corrections from the draft document presented and prepared by Ms. Flynn. Ms. Jones noted that the Board should review these suggestions and amend as desired with additions and updates of their own.

Mr. Snyder agreed and asked that the Board make Ms. Jones the contact person for revisions, edits and changes to the draft document of the FY2015 Community Development Strategy.

When questioned, Ms. Flynn informed the Selectmen that the due date for the filing of Community Block Development Grant applications is January/February 2015.

Mr. Israel commented on the draft Community Development Strategy document that next year he would like some time for input in preparing the draft document. He commented further that he does not like the use of the term "multi-use paths" (shared use paths) throughout the document.

At this point Ms. Loberg commented about the language used in the section about seeking funds to repair septic systems in the Lagoon and Tashmoo Ponds area to reduce nitrogen loading through an Islandwide septic Repair program, (Draft FY2015 CDS, Page 6, Section #3). She stated that repairing existing septic systems will not accomplish the reduction of nitrogen loading going through groundwater into the ponds, describing that as "insignificant". She suggested that this ¶ could be amended to reflect that funds be used to upgrade septic systems to the use of nitrogen-reducing alternative systems to accomplish the reduction of nitrogen loading in the ponds. The Board agreed to incorporate that change.

At this point Chairman Snyder asked for public comment. There was none.

Mr. Israel reiterated his comment that next year the Selectmen may have more of a plan, as a result of the Vision Planning Process now underway, acknowledging that the Town does not have a Master Plan at this time.

Ms. Loberg stated that the Board would like to be more proactive in the development and review of the Town's Community Development Strategy next year. After a brief discussion,

 $\underline{\text{Motion}}$ : That the Board of Selectmen approve the FY2015 Community Development Strategy document with the minor edits as presented and as discussed. M/s/c.

Mr. Snyder commented in conclusion that by the end of January the Selectmen will have the results of the Vision Planning Process now underway and thanked Ms. Flynn for the job she has done in preparing the documents for the hearing.

6:15 p.m.: The FY2015 Community Development Strategy Public Hearing was closed. M/s/c.

BOS November Meeting Schedule: was discussed next in view of the fact that two Tuesdays in November fall on a date or a legal holiday when official meetings of elected boards cannot be held,: November 4 - State Election; and November 11 - Veterans' Day.

After a brief discussion the Board voted that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board would be Tuesday, November  $18^{th}$ .

Board of Assessors re: FY2015 Tax Rate Classification Hearing: Assistant Assessor Ann Marie Cywinski was present to report on the status of preparation for the FY2015 tax rate classification public hearing, traditionally held during the month of November.

Ms. Cywinski reported that the current fiscal year is one that is affected by the triennial Department of Revenue (DOR) mandated revaluation process, requiring lots of documentation of Town real estate values to be provided to the DOR, including a statistical analysis which was supposed to be provided by the Town's consultant to the DOR today, but which has now been postponed until October 29<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Cywinski noted that this delay will affect the Town's ability to hold the tax rate classification hearing in November and issue 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter tax bills by January 1, 2015 which accurately reflect the tax rate voted by the Selectmen based on criteria that include the rate of a residential exemption, (if voted by the Board), a split tax rate with a shift to commercial property (or not), and approval of the excess levy limit capacity, based on these votes.

Ms. Cywinski continued by stating that the values established by the revaluation process must be first be approved through a preliminary certification process by the Department of Revenue, then residents must be given an opportunity to review the values established through the "reval" process, preliminary DOR certification, during a week-long disclosure period, preceding the date of the classification hearing.

Ms. Cywinski pointed out that all of this takes time and at this time it is questionable whether the tax rate classification hearing can be held in November as is customary to allow time for the preparation of the  $3^{\rm rd}$  quarter real estate and personal property tax bills to be sent out by January  $1^{\rm st}$ .

Ms. Cywinski stated further that she thinks that we could schedule the tax rate classification hearing during the public disclosure period, and suggested that she will find out about that and whether we could go forward with scheduling the hearing for November 18<sup>th</sup>, hold it, take testimony, if any, and if not ready with DOR certification at that time, continue the hearing to a future date, at which time the actual tax rate could be set based on whether a residential exemption is approved and a split tax rate is voted. Discussion followed on whether it would be advisable to schedule the hearing and to continue the hearing to a future date if the DOR

certification has not been received, or just wait until all the information including DOR certification of values are complete.

Mr. Israel expressed opposition to the scheduling of the hearing and either cancelling or continuing the hearing until a future date. After further discussion,

Motion: That the Selectmen schedule the FY2015 Tax Rate Classification hearing for November 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., subject to confirmation from Assistant Assessor Ann Marie Cywinski confirming that everything is ready so the hearing can be duly advertised as required under the law. M/s/c.

Spring Pond Dredging Project: was taken up for discussion next.

<u>Present</u>: Shellfish Constable Danielle Ewart, Nevin Sayre, Dredge Committee and Harriet Barrow, Tisbury Waterways, Inc.

Town Administrator Jay Grande spoke briefly about the estimated cost of this project, at this point \$249,700, as outlined in documents dated October 2, 2014 and in minutes of the Dredge Committee from October 1, 2014. All documents are hereby incorporated by reference. Mr. Grande pointed out that in the draft budget there is no line-item for removal or disposal of the dredge materials (spoils), but acknowledged that this could be added later. Mr. Grande noted further that much input has been received from Lynne Fraker and others, adding that Shellfish Constable Danielle Ewart is assigned to be the Project Manager, with Conservation Agent Jane Varkonda providing much of the technical back-up for the permitting process, Paul Wohler, Tisbury Water Works Superintendent and members of the Dredge Committee also providing assistance and being involved as the project moves forward.

Mr. Grande noted further that additional funds beyond what has already been approved to date will be necessary, adding that an application can be filed for Community Preservation funds for the project, for which the Dredge Committee seeks authorization from the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Grande commented further that engineering services to permit the project are traditionally estimated at 25% of the total project cost, and with a project estimate of \$249,700, this would be around \$25,000. He acknowledged, however that the preliminary estimate of \$249,700 may be high and suggested that depending on disposal costs it could go as low as \$125,000. Discussion followed.

It was established that Annual Town Meeting CPC funding in 2013 was \$30,000 and in 2014 was \$35,000, but that according to the estimated cost, additional funding will be needed to move forward.

At this point Selectman Israel stated that he does not want to spend \$249,700 to dredge the Spring Pond, adding that he does not feel this is a priority and a justifiable expenditure.

Ms. Loberg agreed that the cost is very high, noting the funds already appropriate by the Community Preservation Committee (\$65,000). She continued by suggesting that this may be the kind of project that might attract private donations and then stated that she does not want to close the option of moving forward, let the

Dredge Committee apply for additional Community Preservation Act funds for the engineering services for the project.

Mr. Israel commented that if the Town spends \$40,000 for engineering services for the project, it will be hard to turn back and not pursue the project.

A discussion followed on whether the Town could provide funds set aside for general dredging projects - the Harbor and Tashmoo Channel, for the Spring Pond dredging project.

At this point Nevin Sayre, Dredge Committee Chairman, commented that the Tashmoo Entrance Channel has to be dredged almost every year.

Mr. Israel reiterated his reservations about funding the Spring Pond dredging project at \$249,000+/-.

Mr. Sayre acknowledged that it is not the Dredge Committee's priority to dredge the Spring Pond.

Ms. Harriet Barrow commented that at this point there are funds totaling over \$100,000 committed to the dredging of the Spring Pond, \$65,000 (CPC funds), and some Tisbury Waterways, Inc. and private funds. Ms. Barrow stated that this is not a complex dredging project, and added that she thinks funding for engineering services is available. In conclusion, Ms. Barrow acknowledged that Indian archeological artifacts may be present at the site.

Mr. Israel then stated that he would like the support of the Dredge Committee to move forward with the project.

Mr. Sayre reiterated that he is not sure that this project is a priority of the Dredge Committee.

Ms. Barrow commented that this area is appealing to a different segment of the Tisbury population, which is traditionally not served by Owen Park.

Ms. Loberg commented that the Town does not have to commit additional funds right now. After a brief discussion,

Motion: That the Board of Selectmen allow the Spring Pond project to move forward with engineering work. M/s/c.

At this point Chairman Snyder asked if the Board might want to appoint a special committee for this project. After a brief discussion, the following amended,

<u>Motion</u>: That Paul Wohler, Jane Varkonda and Danielle Ewart be appointed as project team for the Spring Pond Dredge project, and that the Dredge Committee also be involved in the process. M/s/c.

Finance & Advisory Committee Appointment: Chairman Larry Gomez was present to introduce Nancy Gilfoy who has offered to serve to fill an existing vacancy. Ms. Gilfoy's letter dated 9-10-2014, offering to fill the vacancy, hereby incorporated by reference, cites her background, 18-year Island residency and interest in serving the community.

Motion: That Nancy B. Gilfoy be appointed to the Finance & Advisory Committee until Elections, 2015. M/s/c.

Halloween Closure of Certain Streets from 5 - 10 p.m.: per diagram/map and according to past practice to make sure that Trick & Treat kids are safe, was presented by Chief Hanavan and discussed. It was noted that the following Street with be closed to through traffic: Spring at Look Street; Franklin Street at Clough Lane; Center Street at Main Street; and Colonial Lane at Main Street.

Motion: To approve the closing of the streets as presented and listed in the Chief's memo, from 5-10 p.m. on October  $31^{st}$ . M/s/c.

Community Preservation Act Eligibility Applications - due Oct. 22: were discussed next.

Mr. Grande noted that the Town will be filing applications for the following:

- Trimming Payette property willow trees (Tashmoo Overlook);
- Spring Bldg. Management Committee is submitting an application to implement a vegetation plan, which is supported by the Selectmen, but other non-regulatory issues are not supported by the BOS;
- Owen Park Bandstand upgrades and renovations;

At this point Mr. Paul Doherty, in the audience, was recognized, and spoke about the proposed upgrades to the Owen Park bandstand, expressing his interest in this area, suggesting that a committee called "the friends of Owen Park" be formed. He then stated that he would meet with the Department of Public Works Commissioners and walk the property, as suggested by the Selectmen.

Ms. Loberg commented that she had read Mr. Doherty's letter to the editors in the local newspaper, welcomes his interest and informed him that Community Preservation Act funds could be available to help get this project done.

Mr. Israel suggested that Mr. Grande find out if the Board of Public Works Commissioners is seeking CPA funds for the Owen Park Bandstand, and if they are not, the Selectmen will apply.

<u>Motion</u>: That Town Administrator Jay Grande be instructed to look into whether the Board of Public Works Commissioners are seeking CPA funds for the Owen Park Bandstand, including, but not limited to repairs and upgrades. Seconded.

Mr. Grande commented that this could be physical improvements and/or maintenance.

Mr. Dougherty commented that there are safety issues with the bandstand as well.

Voting on the Motion: M/s/c.

Request for BOS Support for Community Preservation Act Funds to Upgrade Lighting System in the Katharine Cornell Theatre: was presented by Ralph Friedman in a letter dated October 14, 2014. The letter, hereby incorporated by reference, cites Mr. Friedman's long-time interest and experience as a lighting director, the deplorable condition of the existing 50+ year old equipment in the KCT, and

offers to help clean out and dispose of the equipment that does not function and to work to replace same with new, up-to-date state-of-the art lighting equipment at no cost to the Town, if a CPC grant to purchase the equipment is awarded.

Mr. Friedman explained that the controls for the Klieg lights do not operate properly and could be replaced with long life LED bulbs that also have a low operating cost. Mr. Friedman stated further that a company, (High Output), that sells such equipment will be on the Island later this week and could inspect the premises to assess what equipment is needed and provide an estimated cost. Mr. Friedman added that when he approached the Community Preservation Committee to get information about the process he was informed that such a project could be eligible for Community Preservation Act funds. Mr. Friedman then stated that the estimate to update the lighting equipment in the Katharine Cornell Theatre is about \$50,000+/-, but noted that the Town Hall electrical service may also need an upgrade to accommodate the new equipment. Mr. Friedman stated that he will have more firm figures for the CPC application after the premises have been looked at.

Mr. Israel stated that he would welcome funding for this Town Hall project from the Community Preservation Committee.

Mr. Friedman reiterated his request for support for the CPC application.

<u>Motion</u>: That the Board of Selectmen support the application for Community Preservation Act funds for new lighting equipment for the Katharine Cornell Theatre as presented by Mr. Friedman and as discussed. Seconded.

Ms. Loberg noted that as a Green Community the Town may be eligible to utilize funding available through having the status as a Green Community for the KCT lighting and Town Hall electrical service upgrades.

Mr. Friedman commented that conversion of lighting equipment and fixtures to LED, bulbs that traditionally use 500W would only require 50W.

Voting on the Motion: M/s/c.

Community Preservation Act Eligibility Applications - due Oct. 22: discussion (continued). It was noted that other applications are also scheduled to be submitted, as follows:

Housing Trust: \$50,000; Old Fire Station Park Development; and Protection for Murals in the Katharine Cornell Theatre.

Short-term Traffic Committee Appointment: Mr. Israel reported that he asked Robert Breth to serve on the traffic Committee, that he has agreed to do so, and requested that he be appointed.

Motion: That Robert Breth be appointed to serve on the new Traffic Committee until December 31, 2014. M/s/c.

Park & Ride Lot: was not on the agenda, but Mr. Grande reported that he is working with the Tisbury Police Department to develop an enforcement strategy that will assure that scofflaws are caught and

ticketed for not paying when staying longer than 7 days. Mr. Grande reported that enforcement is going very well with 933 tickets issued annually, with a slight increase in recent months. He added that the Chief has stated that he can do this with current staff, and suggested that the Board might want to consider an off-season term for permits to accommodate requests for off-season 3-month permits. Mr. Grande further suggested that before going out to spend \$100,000+ for a sophisticated automated parking system, the Selectmen should weigh the option of not going forward with that plan.

Mr. Grande reported further that the Town has received some criticism for its proposal to decrease the number of free parking days from 7 to 3 days in recent negotiations with the Steamship Authority.

Mr. Israel inquired if the Town has met with our SSA representative and whether there is a signed agreement yet. Mr. Grande responded that he has met with Mr. Balco but the agreement is not yet signed by the respective parties (SSA, VTA and the Town).

Mr. Israel spoke briefly about the SSA Board of Governors, how the Steamship Authority operates, and suggested inviting Mr. Balco to the next meeting of the Board.

Ms. Loberg commented that at the last meeting of the Steamship Authority there was a discussion of the agreement with the Town and the VTA and the SSA, and questions raised why the agreement has not yet been signed for 2014. It was noted that the next meeting of the Authority will be held in Oak Bluffs.

Mr. Israel commented that he would like to pursue 4 free days in the Park & Ride Lot - not 3, adding that the Vineyard Transit Authority is opposed to the gated system at the Park & Ride Lot, and wants a special lane designated for VTA buses.

Common Victualler's License Renewals: were approved as follows: Why Not, Inc. d/b/a Artcliff Diner, R. Stanley, Pres., 39 Beach Rd. M/s/c.

Valerio & Mateus DiStefani d/b/a Bite on the Go, 86 Beach Rd. M/s/c.

MOCHAS, LLC d/b/a Mocha Motts, Tim Dobel, President, 15 Main St. M/s/c.

PPE&R, Inc. d/b/a Mad Martha's, P. & P. Roberts, 48 Main St. M/s/c. John's Fish Market, Inc. d/b/a Sandy's Fish & Chips, Sandra Healey, President, 5 Martin Road. M/s/c.

Sze, LLC d/b/a Bob's Pizza & Café, Chris Kakin Sze, President, 22 Main Street. M/s/c.

MV Seafood Group d/b/a The Net Result, L. Larsen, President, 79 Beach Road. M/s/c.

Sze, LLC d/b/a Sweet E's Fudge & Candy, Chris Kakin Sze, President, 22A Main Street. M/s/c.

Joelson Cardoso d/b/a Tropical Restaurant & Bakery, 13 Beach St. Ext. M/s/c.

Vineyard Haven Yacht Club, Inc., C. Felder, Mgr. 45 Owen Little Way.

West Chop Club, Inc., Gary Baldino, Manager, 162 Iroquois Avenue. M/s/c.

KRS, Inc. d/b/a Woodland Variety & Grill, Robert Baker, President, Woodland Business Center, State Road. M/s/c.

Waterside Market Group, Inc. d/b/a Waterside Market, Stephen Bowen, President, 76 Main Street. M/s/c.

Martha's Vineyard Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Blue Canoe Grill, Stephen Bowen, President, 52 Beach Road. M/s/c.

Saltwater Restaurant, LLC d/b/a Saltwater Restaurant, Samuel Reid Dunn, President, 79 Beach Road. M/s/c.

Hawkers' & Peddlers License Renewal Application: of Why Not, Inc. d/b/a Artcliff Diner Food Truck, Regina Stanley, President, 39 Beach Road, was also approved without discussion. M/s/c.

Approval of Treasury Warrants: Payroll Warrants #10-07-2014 and 10-14-2014; Bills Payable Refund Warrants #10-03-4R and #10-10-4R; and Bills Payable Warrants #10-08-2014 and #10-14-2014, were approved and signed. M/s/c.

Approval of Minutes: July 1, 15, and 29, 2014, regular Sessions, were approved as submitted. M/s/c.

Minutes Deferred: July 1 and 29, 2014, Executive Sessions; August 5, 2014, Regular and Executive Sessions.

Merit Review - Phillip Dwyer, DPW Wastewater Plant Operator (Gr. 4):

Mr. Dwyer has been reviewed by his supervisors Plant Superintendent Steve Vancour and DPW Director Glenn Mauk and is recommended for a wage increase to become effective retroactively to June 23, 2014, the nearest Monday to his anniversary date of hire, June 24, 2014, to go from Step 1 to Step 2 of his pay grade, with a new rate of pay of \$22.71/hr. M/s/c.

There being no further business in Open Session,

<u>Motion</u>: To go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, real estate, litigation and contract negotiations, not to reconvene in Open Session. Seconded.

<u>Voting on the Motion</u>: Mr. Israel: Yes; Mr. Snyder: Yes; Ms. Loberg: Yes.

Adjourned to Executive Session: 7:30 p.m. M/s/c.

Jonathan V. Snyder, Chairman Aas

Tristan R. Israel

Respectfully submitted,

Aase M. Jones, Asst. to Town Adm.

Melinda F. Loberg, Clerk