The Board of Selectmen held a Meeting by Teleconference on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 6:00PM

I. Call Public Meeting to Order at 6:00PM

II. Roll Call by Chair Donna Damon

III. Jean Louis Beaupre: yes
    John “Jay” Corson: yes
    Mark Dyer: yes
    David Hill: yes
    Donna Miller Damon: yes

Also:
    Marjorie Stratton: yes
    Christine Auffant: yes

IV. Public Comments for items not on the agenda: None

V. Town Reports

    Town Administrator:

    • Grannell Property Swap: We have received the final drafts of deeds for the property swap on North Road. The next step will be to hold a Special Town Meeting.

    • New Recycling Compactor: Jim O’Regan from Atlantic Recycling is coming to the Island to meet with Marjorie and Selectmen Beaupre. We have $17,878 available in the reserve fund.

    • Dredging Project: Marjorie reviewed the email Selectmen Hill received from Pam Trinward from Chellie Pingree’s office. We are currently waiting to hear from the Army Corps for a draft report recommending a new channel.

    • Indian Island Company: The walkway has been successfully installed and David Brunner will be sending us an invoice.
• Ambulance Update: The ambulance proposal with Greenwood Emergency Vehicles, LLC has been signed and we are waiting for a delivery date.

Treasurers Report:

• The Town Administrator has reconciled all bank accounts up to July 2020.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to transfer $5000.00 from the 2020 Contingency Budget, adding $2000.00 to Legal Services and $3000.00 to the Fire/Rescue Building Maintenance, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

VI. Regular Business

21-075 To hear an update from the Tax Assessor, Jackie Robbins

• The Tax Assessor gave the Selectmen an update on the proposed evaluation and mill rate changes. She will be in the office on August 18, 2020 to process the tax commitment and print the tax bills.

21-076 To discuss and possibly act on renewing the lease of the Brad Mead Cottage for the Sheriff’s summer of 2020

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer that we accept the $800.00 increase for the Brad Mead Cottage rental and renew the lease for the Sheriff for next year, seconded by David Hill.

Vote: 4 in Favor; 1 (Corson) Against; Motion Carried

21-077 To hear an update regarding the Allstate Paving Project and other items related to Town Roads and Ways.

• Selectmen Dyer gave an update on the 2020 Paving Project.
• Currently we are stock piling the cold mix pavement at the Public Works garage.
• Selectmen Beaupre stated that after this paving project is complete he would like the Selectmen to look at Chandlers Wharf Road, Bennetts Cove Road and the removal of low hanging tree branches around the island.
21-078 To discuss and take action on recommendations regarding the Town owned property formerly owned by the Coddington Heir, Map I03, Lot 008.

By Consensus: Selectmen Corson will speak with Jeff Summa and Chris Loder to see if they can form a committee to review this matter and then come back to the Board with a recommendation.

21-079 To hear a report regarding a meeting between representatives of the Town and the CTC.

- CTC members got together with Selectmen Damon, Selectmen Dyer, Fire Chief Monroe and the Town Administrator to go over some of their concerns.
- Selectmen Damon reported that the two major concerns were 1) CTC and EMS working on developing a code to let CTC know when to empty the ferry of passengers in certain emergency situations and 2) Matt Ridgway went over a calendar which indicates times of certain days in the future where the ferry will not be able to run due to extreme low tides. Chief Munroe asked CTC to remind EMS the day before an extreme low tide which will result in the cancellation of ferry trips.

21-080 To hear a report regarding the meeting between the Board of Selectmen and representatives of EMS.

- Selectmen Damon reported that the Selectmen met with Chief Munroe and several members of the Fire Department to learn about EMS procedures during the pandemic. They also discussed the need for a decontamination room at the firehouse.
- Selectmen Dyer has asked David Brunner for his assistance in designing a decontamination room at the firehouse.
- Selectman Damon feels that money from the Keep Maine Healthy Grant may be able to be used to partially fund this project.

21-081 To hear an update regarding the Keep Maine Healthy Grant and take any possible action.

- This agenda item was discussed under/with agenda item 21-082.
21-082 To hear an update from the CART Committee

- Selectmen Damon reported that we have hired Erika Neumann as our COVID Communicator, and Eliza Jane Adams as our COVID Administrator. We have also hired four local teenagers to work as town COVID Ambassadors.
- Erika Neumann reported that we have a new Community Survey on COVID that is available online and that will be mailed out to those without access to the internet.

VII. Communications

- Selectmen Dyer reported that he got an email from John Reilly asking to meet with him and Selectmen Beaupre to discuss the drainage ditch project on his property. This meeting will take place on August 13, 2020.

VIII. To Approve Minutes from 07/29/2020

Motion: Moved by David Hill to approve the minutes of 07/29/2020, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

IX. Other Business:

- Selectmen Damon informed the Board that we have received about a dozen applications for the Town Administrator position. All applications are due by August 19, 2020.
- Selectmen Damon will make copies of these applications for each of the Selectmen to review before they have an executive session as part of the Board of Selectmen meeting on August 26th.

By Consensus: the Selectmen would like to have Greg Hanscom and Beth Wiles participate in the search for a new Town Administrator. Selectmen Damon will reach out to ask them for their assistance.
• Selectmen Damon will be reaching out to Barney Baker for an estimate for a design for the 80ft ramps.

• Selectmen Damon reported that she spoke to Nat Tupper from Yarmouth and that in September the Joint Standing Committee should get together via zoom.

• Selectmen Beaupre asked the status of the Stone Pier project. He and Selectmen Damon feel that we may need to first get an RFP of the structural integrity of the wharf. Selectmen Damon will put the Stone Wharf project discussion on an agenda in September. Selectmen Dyer said he has asked Allstate paving to give him an estimate of the cost to completely repave the Stone Wharf Road with a width of at least 30ft of pavement.

• Selectmen Dyer reported that the school is having some problems with interior wall paint chipping. The contractor has been out to look at this problem and at this time we are unsure of how this problem will get resolved.

X. Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Moved by David Hill to adjourn the meeting at 7:30PM, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Auffant, Deputy Clerk