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Selectboard Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2024

The Selectboard held a meeting followed by an Executive Session at the Chebeague Island Hall on Wednesday, November 06, 2024, at 6:00PM

Selectboard Members Present: Linda White, Eliza Jane Adams, Robert Earnest, David Hill and Richard Hackel

I. Call Public Meeting to Order at 6:02PM

II. Public Comments for items not on the agenda for discussion not action: None

III. Town Reports

- Town Administrator- Please see the packet for the Town Administrator Report

  Motion: Moved by Carol White to authorize the Town Administrator to expend up to $8000 on float removal and maintenance in consultation with the Coastal Waters Commission, these funds will come out of the Floats and Gangway Account, seconded by Eliza-Jane Adams.

  Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

IV. Regular Business

24-105 To provide an overview of the Selectboard retreat that took place on October 9, 2024. To discuss the boards agreed upon goals that were created, how it was done and whether to move forward to approve those goals. Take any necessary action as needed.

- Richard Hackel summarized the retreat report found in the packet.

24-106 To continue the conversation about Stone Wharf: discuss best options for moving forward with one of the two engineering firms with whom Selectboard members discussed the 30% design.

- We will set up 45-minute interviews for GEI and Collins Engineering.
- Vika will set up a sharable file for Selectboard Members to put their questions into.

24-107 To discuss John Whitakers suggestion to assign members of the Board to continue discussions with the Grannell Family relative to the land swap recommendation and take any necessary action.

Motion: Moved by David Hill to request that our Town Administrator respond to the Grannelll Family with request for a counterproposal, seconded by Carol White.

Vote: 4-1(Eliza-Jane Adams); Motion Carried

24-108 To hear a brief update on the conversation that took place with the residents of South Shore Drive about the FEMA process, future and possible next steps.

- The Town Administrator updated the Selectboard on the conversation with the residents of South Shore Drive.
- The next step would be to hire an engineering firm to do a conceptual design and cost estimate.
- Carol White and the Town Administrator will set up a call with GEI.

V. Other Business:

- Carol White needs to re-enroll in Community Resiliency Partnership.
- Long Island and Chebeague Island are looking into a joint grant for a wildfire assessment plan.
- CMP is putting up new poles on Firehouse Road and South Road.

Motion: Moved by David Hill to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the CMP pole application letter, seconded by Richard Hackel.

All in Favor; Motion Carried

VI. Communications

- An email relative to working waterfront communities-community spotlight-Carol White will put a paragraph together for this.
- A meeting with Island Institute relative to our getting a fellow. Consensus of the Selectboard is to pursue getting a fellow for the Town Office.

VII. To approve the minutes from November 06, 2024

Motion: Moved by David Hill and seconded by Richard Hackel to approve the minutes of November 06, 2024.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

VIII. Items to be placed on a future agenda

- Rec. Center and Kids place MOU
- Housing Authority
- Jenks Road
- GEI presentation regarding Bennett's
- Collins and GEI Conversations

IX. Executive Session Pursuant to 1. M.R.S.A.§(6)(A) Personnel-Committee Applicant

Motion: Moved by Richard Hackel to enter Executive Session at 8:00PM pursuant to 1.M.R.S.A.§(6)(A) Personnel-Committee applicant, seconded by David Hill.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Motion: Motion moved by Richard Hackel to exit Executive Session at 8:12PM, seconded by David Hill.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Motion: Moved by Eliza-Jane Adams to appoint James Hartling to the Finance Committee, seconded by David Hill.

Vote: All in Favor; Motion Carried

Adjourn meeting at 8:14PM

Respectively Submitted,
Christine Auffant, Deputy Town Clerk