



Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes November 28, 2017

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room by Chairman Tracy Post. Selectmen present: Mike Stone, Norm Holcomb, Erik Tolley, and Mark Forest. Also attending: Yarmouth Assistant Town Administrator, Chris Dwelley.

1. Public Announcements & Comments

Ms. Post read the obituary of former Selectman Bud Groskopf, and a moment of silence was observed.

Christine Marzigliano, Chair of the Open Space Committee, has worked with the Conservation Department to organize "Prune the Parks" on Friday morning at Chase Brook Park and Mill Creek Park with AmeriCorps volunteers. The public is invited to participate.

Joe Goldstein, Chair of the Finance Committee, announced that Cathy Romboli has resigned from the Committee. Nathan Ladley has replaced her as Vice Chair, but the Committee now has a vacancy.

Steve Prinzman of Yarmouth Port spoke against the proposed increase in golf fees.

Don Costa of West Yarmouth explained that the Veteran's Day Service did not occur this year due to organizational changes with the AmVets Group, but it will resume next year. The Board thanked the AmVets and offered to help.

Tom Nickinello noted the passing of Yarmouth native, volunteer, and Town Constable Leslie E. Campbell.

Christine Greeley of the Yarmouth Substance Awareness Committee reported on the success of the recent "Sticker Shock" program.

2. FY19 Capital Budget Committee Recommendations

Chair Sandy Fife introduced Vice-Chair JoAnne Crowley, Judy Carver, Kathy Hyslop, Curt Sears, and Finance Committee representative Ken Mudie. Committee liaisons met with department heads to assess needs, and requests were aligned with Board of Selectmen goals. The Vehicle Replacement Policy was reviewed. A draft fleet management study is anticipated to be ready in December. Asset management data is currently being collected.

Total requests this year totaled \$10,810,948. Ms. Fife reviewed the Committee's preliminary recommendations, totaling \$5,764,460 plus \$200,250 for the Capital Stabilization Fund. The Committee is waiting for more information from the school district before making any decisions other than the \$40,000 for roof repair at M. E. Small Elementary.

Mr. Forest asked staff to investigate grant opportunities for a Lewis Bay flushing study in conjunction with the Town of Barnstable, since it was not recommended by the Committee.

Police Chief Frank Fredrickson responded to questions from the Board regarding the move to digital communication equipment; body cameras; portable license plate readers; and training expenses. Fire Chief Phil Simonian responded to questions about AEDs and fire apparatus.

Mr. Holcomb inquired about vehicle replacements. He also asked that the Golf Enterprise Committee complete a cost benefit analysis of renting, leasing, or purchasing a stump grinder before the budget is finalized.

Assistant School Superintendent Ken Jenks explained the District's energy control system. Discussion followed regarding the request for M. E. Small roof repairs. Mr. Jenks agreed to provide the Board with the facilities maintenance budget and the capital budget requests for Dennis.

DPW Director Jeff Colby explained the purpose of the plate reader for the transfer station, which could ultimately eliminate the need for stickers. He also outlined the vehicle procurement process used by the department, which takes advantage of the State's high-volume discounts.

3. Vineyard Wind Agreement and Vote

Ms. Post read the public hearing notice into the record. A project recap was provided by the developers. Vineyard Wind has hosted two open house public meetings since its last appearance before the Board. The project is expected to provide clean energy to over 450,000 homes and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 1.5 million tons per year. The transmission cable is proposed to come ashore on New Hampshire Avenue in Yarmouth and run to Higgins Crowell Road and onward to the substation in Barnstable. However, the Great Island Homeowners Association recently approached Vineyard Wind regarding an alternate landing site there.

The host agreement was outlined. It was noted that the agreement cites Section 83C of Massachusetts State Law regarding eligible offshore wind projects to address concerns that other entities will use Vineyard Wind's excess cable capacity. A penalty structure was outlined which would make it cost prohibitive for another entity to use the Vineyard Wind cables. The Town was asked to write a letter of support, and to ensure that the Cape Wind Agreement has been fully terminated.

Benefits to the Town include up to \$1 million infrastructure improvements, including new sidewalks, replacement of lead/deteriorating water service lines, repaving of roads, site preparation of bike paths, among other things. Payments include \$450,000 minimum per year, \$175,000 mitigation payment, and \$25,000 for independent construction monitor. Protections for the Town were also explained.

Finance Director Ed Senteio reviewed the process by which the agreement was developed. He also explained the protections against a bankruptcy by Vineyard Wind.

Public Comment: Charles McLaughlin, Barnstable Assistant Town Attorney, distributed a packet explaining Barnstable's concerns that this project could allow Cape Wind to be resuscitated, and also the toxicity of the cooling chemicals that might be used in the substation. Wayne Kurker of Hyannis Marina asked the Board not to make a hasty decision. Manny Freydis of Marion Road suggested that power lines be buried during the project. Chris Luttazi of Hyannis Park distributed a packet illustrating the existing problems in Lewis Bay and potential negative impacts to the environment. She asked for an Environmental Impact Study. Yarmouth resident Sandy Taylor, Executive Assistant of the Alliance to Protect Nantucket Sound (Save Our Sound), asked the Town to fully vet and share the proposed agreement before signing it. Cliff Carroll, Chris Greeley of

- d. Dennis - Yarmouth School Agreement
- e. Mattacheese School Project
- f. Drive-In Site Utilization Project
- g. Cape Tech

6. Adjourn

Motion and seconded information for adjournment unavailable due to lack of recording.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Dennehy

DISTRIBUTED MATERIAL AGENDA PACKET

- Capital Budget Committee Funding Recommendations
- Town of Yarmouth Legal Ad for Public Hearing on Vineyard Wind Negotiations
- Memo to BOS from Appointments Chairman dated November 15, 2017 re: Energy Committee Appointment
- Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 8, 2017
- Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 22, 2017
- Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 29, 2017
- Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for November 6, 2017
- 2017 BOS Upcoming Agenda Items Schedule
- Memo to BOS from Director of Public Works dated November 9, 2017 re: Utility Hearing - Petition for Installation of a 50' conduit/cable and one handhole #8/H6
- Memo to BOS from Town Administrator dated November 20, 2017 re: Mrs. Allaire - Health Insurance Coverage
- Memo to Town Administrator from YFD dated November 13, 2017 re: Gift
- Email to Town of Yarmouth from Inaho Restaurant dated November 16, 2016 re: Temporary Closing
- Letter to BOS from Skippy's Pier I Restaurant dated November 20, 2017 re: Closing for the Winter
- The "CAT" Bulletin for November 2017
- Taylor-Bray Holiday Festival Flyer
- Prune the Parks 2017 Flyer
- MIIA Risk Management Informational Flyer
- Board of Health Meeting Agenda for November 20, 2107