

Meeting of the
Aquinnah Select Board
July 20, 2021

Minutes

This meeting was held in person

Attending: Julianne Vanderhoop, Gary Haley, Tom Murphy, Jay Smalley, Isaac Taylor, Jeffrey Madison (Town Administrator).

Selectman Haley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes Adopted
(Adopted minutes of July 6 and July 17, 2021)

Appointments
(Board unanimously made appointments as attached)

At the request of Tom Murphy the Board accepted his resignation as an elected member of the Planning Board Plan Review Committee. The Board then appointed him as the Selectmen's Representative to that Committee. The Board appointed Jim Newman to fill Tom's unexpired term on the PBPRC. The vote on these actions was 2-0 with Tom abstaining from both votes.

Lighthouse Keeper Appointment
(Board voted to refer applications to Lighthouse Committee)

Town Administrator reported that he has received numerous applications from interested parties in the Keeper position. Most of the applicants had a romanticized vision of living at the Light. But several applications came from interested Town residents. TA has sent out email responses to all applicants. Board requested TA to send applicants revised job description; if their interest continued following receipt of the description to send a short bio together with reasons why they should be considered. Board agreed to forward responses to the Lighthouse Committee who would review applications and report their recommendation to the Select Board.

Town Project Committee Update
(No action taken)

Town Administrator reported that the Town Projects Committee has chosen an Owner's Project Manager (OPM). That company, Atlantic Construction & management, Inc. of 441 Sudbury Road, Concord, MA 01772 will assist in finalizing the designer contract with ICON.

Menemsha Lease
(No action taken)

Town Administrator reported that there has been no progress on finding a real estate professional to provide an opinion on value of the leases. He reported that he spoke with the Chilmark Town Administrator who told him the leases on town-owned land on Dutcher Dock were presently at \$1200.00 per year with an annual 4% increase. Shacks on the inner harbor rent to commercial fishermen at \$10.00/year.

Slatas Settlement Offer
(Voted to accept Settlement Offer)

Town Administrator reported on an offer by Alan Slatas to settle his dispute with the Town over zoning violations. Slatas has offered \$15,000.00. That amount has been approved by Len Jason. Board asked whether the fine had been reviewed by Town Counsel. TA told them the suggested

amount had indeed been reviewed by Rappaport's office. Julie moved and tom seconded a motion to accept the payment. Board vote was unanimous.

Public Works Request

(Voted to accept recommendation of repairs to Cliff restrooms)

Trash Cans at Lookout

(Requested that trash receptacle be placed at Lookout)

Mask Requirement

(Board agreed to keep signs on mask requirement at Cliffs.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.