Minutes – Board of Selectmen Meeting July 3, 2018

Attending: Gary Haley, Juli Vanderhoop, Sarah Thulain, Jim Pickman, Peter Temple, Kim Andrade, Paul Manning, Rosa Parker, Simon Bolin, Tom Murphy, Adam Turner (MVC), Jeffrey Madison

The meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. and moved to the Selectmen's Office for a presentation by Tom Heffernan of Clear Government. Mr. Heffernan gave a presentation through the internet. Clear Government offers a web-based program that allows for citizens to view town finances, expenditures and compare with other communities in the Commonwealth. Juli asked questions about cost and usability of the website applications. Selectmen agreed to consider associating with the company and requested an in-person demonstration of the product.

After moving the meeting back to the Selectmen's meeting room the Board heard from Adam Turner from the Martha's Vineyard Commission regarding the draft Open Space Plan. Comments on the Plan were received from Sarah Thulin (Conservation Commission) and Jim Pickman (who also addressed the application for funding under the PARC grant). Peter Temple (Planning Board) offered comments in support of the Open Space Plan. Juli moved and Gary seconded a motion to approve the draft plan. The motion carried unanimously. The Selectmen also voted to approve the PARC Grant application.

Tom Murphy informed the Selectmen of the Old South Road 4th of July Parade and invited all Selectmen and the Town Administrator to participate...noting that the Selectmen have never attended the event and presented them with a red, white and blue list of events prior to and following the parade. The Board accepted the invitation and Mr. Murphy left, seemingly contented with his announcement and the response.

The Board read a letter from Hugh Taylor who requested signage at the end of the dock in West Basin reserving space for touch-and-go dockage of his bike ferry. Juli made a motion to allow the request provided that Hugh pay for the cost and installation of the sign. Gary seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

After discussion the Juli moved and Gary seconded a motion to appoint Officer David Murphy of the Aquinnah Police Department as Hearings Officer for the Town. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

The Board voted to approve requests from Wenonah Madison (8) and Sophia Welch (45 hours) to carry over unused vacation days to FY 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.