

Aquinnah Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting 6/29/2017
Aquinnah Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room

Members present: Vice Chairman Gary Haley and Julianne Vanderhoop

Also present: Town Administrator Adam Wilson, Fire Chief Simon Bollin, Highway Foreman Frank Perez, Harbormaster Chip Vanderhoop, MV Times reporter Amanda Lucidi

The meeting began at 3:03 pm.

1st on the agenda under Old Business was a review of minutes from 6/20.

Julianne made a motion to accept the minutes from June 20th. Gary seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-Next on the agenda for New Business was a review of the (R)ight (O)f (E)ntry the Army Corp seeks approval off for the dredge project to resume this coming fall. Adam explained there would be a new company hired to do the dredging in the fall and the piping will once again run along West Basin and Lobsterville Rd to the beach.

Julianne made a motion to approve the ROE. Gary seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-Next on the agenda were requests for carry over of vacations for various town hall personnel into the next fiscal year.

Julianne motioned to approve Jay Smalley, Frank Perez, Nonie Madison and Sibel Suman vacation carry overs into FY '18. Gary seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-Next on the agenda was a review of the engineering services contract to obtain a maintenance dredge permit for the West Basin Entrance. Adam explained the funds come from a warrant article approved at the May Town Meeting, that George Sourati has experience in obtaining these kinds of permits, that the \$20K allotment will probably not be enough for his services to obtain the 10 year license and that the dredging of the basin entrance may occur after the channel dredging is done because of the time frame needed to obtain the permit from the DEP. Julianne made a motion to accept the contract for Sourati Engineering Services to obtain the necessary permits and permissions from various state and federal agencies for a 10 year license to dredge the West Basin entrance. Gary seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

Gary signed the contract.

-Next on the agenda was a request from the Harbormaster to utilize the surplus SUV the police plan to decommission when they get their new vehicle.

The Board, by consensus, agreed to hold off discussion about the surplus vehicle until a determination was made whether or not the vehicle should replace the car the Town has in the Palmer Lot.

-In Other Business, There was discussion about recent town grant award from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's Preservation Projects Fund for \$57,500 to do ongoing restoration of the light house. The Board reviewed the letter to be sent to the MHC.

-In Other Business, the Board took up the request from the County to raise the processing fee for parking tickets from \$2.00 to \$2.50. Adam said the request has gone to each town for approval.

Julianne made a motion to approve the County's processing fee increase of .50 cents for parking tickets. Gary seconded.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-In Other Business Simon reported the new fire truck is on the island and will be in the town and island parades Sunday. He announced that Aquinnah's public safety day is July 22nd. He said the event has grown in popularity that he'd like to do it this year at the Circle. The Board, by consensus, agreed to the event being held at the Aquinnah Circle Saturday, July 22nd.

-Gary asked if there was anything else to come before the board. Hearing none, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

The Board voted 2 – 0 in favor. The motion passed.

-The meeting ended at 3:27 pm.