

Gay Head Lighthouse Advisory Board
Notes of Meeting 4-6-21

Members present: Chairman Len Butler, Richard Skidmore, Tom Murphy, Jim Pickman, Kathy Rainey
Members Not present: Bettina Washington

Meeting was held via videoconference on Zoom.

- The meeting began at 4:35pm

- Minutes: Richard motioned to approve the 2/18/20 and 10/22/20 minutes. Motion was seconded by Tom. The Committee voted 4-0-1, the motion passed. Kathy was not present for either meeting.

- Jim gave a review of accounts: there is \$22,301.40 in the account; from FY'21 CPC funds there is a balance of \$48,000 (\$40,000 for repairs and \$8,000 allocated for signage). Richard has begun developing signage. He has received graphics from the Tribe that they used for their signs at the Cliff overlook (if used, Committee needs to request permission from the Tribe). The Committee needs to assemble historical and graphic material for the two signs (one for information on the Lighthouse and one for the move). Richard will forward the graphics he received from the Tribe to the Committee to begin the process.

- Richard gave a Lighthouse and Park report: grass/turf is covering the ground and has improved; access path to the park is doing well but the short path between the park and lighthouse entrance needs restorative work; painting is included in the FY'22 budget; Select Board has not discussed opening the Lighthouse; there have been inquiries for weddings and school tours; there was brief discussion concerning safety issues and staffing if the Lighthouse were to open; Richard will check to see if FY'22 \$18,000 funding for new fencing system has been removed from the warrant (many items cut or removed from budget/warrant to avoid an override).

- The Committee discussed restoration updates: approx. \$62,000 available for restoration work; Town has requested \$137,500 for mitigation impact from the offshore Vineyard Wind project; Vineyard Wind and BOEM are working on the memorandum of agreement for all agencies impacted by the project; MOA excludes the Town from selecting the contractor for the proposed restoration work but the scope of work Len submitted with the mitigation request was very specific and it is likely that International Chimney Corp. (ICC) would be the only appropriate bidders for the work; the Committee was hopeful that Vineyard Wind will work with the GHLAB; Len has been in contact with ICC regarding next restoration phases. Committee discussed other offshore wind farm projects and visual impacts and the remaining restoration work.

- New Business:

- Trademark work has been completed and invoiced paid (Town owns the logo for the next 10 years).
- 2021 tourist season to go before the Select Board for discussion.
- Board membership: Tom is running for Select Board and is tentatively considering resignation from the Committee which would leave the Committee with 4 members. There has been no response from Bettina if she is still interested in holding a Committee seat and for now, she remains as the Tribal representative on the Committee.

- Committee scheduled their next meeting for Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 at 4:30pm.

- **Committee voted unanimously to adjourn.** The meeting ended at 5:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sophia Welch
Board Administrative Assistant