

Gay Head Lighthouse Advisory Board
Notes of Meeting 11-12-19
Aquinnah Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room

Members present: Chairman Len Butler, Richard Skidmore, Kathy Rainey (via phone), Jim Pickman, Tom Murphy

Members Not present: Bettina Washington

Also present: Selectmen Gary Haley

- The meeting began at 4:30pm

- First on the agenda was a review of the 10/9/19 minutes. Richard motioned to approve the minutes as revised. Motion was seconded by Tom. The Committee voted 4-0, the motion passed.

- Jim gave a review of accounts. There is a balance of \$27,294 in the account. Jim gave an update on October numbers: \$710.82 in donations, \$7,550 income from the 10K, and \$4059 in expenses from the 10K. Len presented a \$264 bill from the Sheriff's Department for 10K services. Committee agreed to forward the bill to the 10K Committee. Richard informed the Committee about the updated CPC policies (email has been forwarded to Committee members). The Committee reviewed the Lighthouse tour revenue from this year: accounting did not include expenses; total paid visitors was 13,020 making a gross revenue of \$78,120. The Committee was curious about the compensated admission noted on revenue report and total expenses for the season.

- Richard gave a Lighthouse and Park report: Richard has not gotten a response back from the Trillium Brewing Co.; irrigation system at the park has been drained; window for re-turfing the park has been missed; snow fence and cliff edge barrier was moved back to allow for turf installation and fencing has been reinforced to withstand high wind; shade shed is secure in place for the winter and canvas siding has been removed (Special Permit was for temporary siting of shed and removal will be difficult); annual LUCIP report is due in December; and Jeffrey has written a letter attesting that the Town owns the Lighthouse for the National Register Signage Grant Program. The Committee discussed the eroded pathway and a long-term solution of installing a curb stop and catch basin. They agreed to discuss this further in the springtime.

- The Committee discussed restoration. There isn't enough money to complete the next phase (addressing the lantern room) but Len felt there is money for repointing work. Len has emailed BOEM for updates on the Vineyard Wind project and mediation grant. There is an offshore wind project that is being discussed south of Block Island by the state of New York and Len has requested to be informed of any discussion concerning this project. The Committee discussed repointing damaged areas and costs (approx. \$20,300 for damaged areas and \$100,000 for all repointing).

- Under other business, the committee discussed the renewal of the US Lighthouse Society membership (\$40 for 1 year and \$76 for 2 years). Tom motioned to renew the membership for 2 years. Motion was seconded by Richard. The Committee voted 5-0, the motion passed. The Committee congratulated the 10K Race Committee for another successful run this year.

- The Committee scheduled their next meeting for Tuesday December 10th, 2019 at 4:30pm. With no other business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The Committee voted

unanimously in favor, the motion passed.

- The meeting ended at 5:06pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sophia Welch
Board Administrative Assistant