

Aquinnah Select Board  
Minutes  
May 24, 2022

Attending: Gary Haley, Tom Murphy, Julianne Vanderhoop, `Jeffrey Madison (Town Administrator), Paul Manning, Margie Spitz, Suzanne Boyer, Randhi Belain, Sarah, Jay MacLoed, Jay Smalley

Board Reorganization

(Julianne Vanderhoop replaced Gary Haley as Chairperson)

Gary opened the meeting with a motion to nominate Juli as Chairperson and Tom Murphy as Vice-Chair, Juli seconded and the vote carried.

Minutes

(Voted to accept April 12, April 5, March 8, and March 22 Minutes as submitted)

Police Cruiser

(Voted to trade 2016 Ford Interceptor)

(Voted to accept Chief Belain's recommendation of 4 officers for summer season)

Chief Belain gave the Board an explanation of the Massachusetts WRAP program. He mentioned that due to a shortage of officers he wouldn't be able to be as aggressive with his ticketing of wrongfully parked cars at Philbin Beach, though he would do as best he can.

Treasurer Appointment

(Voted to appoint Jamie Sue Vanderhoop)

Board, after discussion, voted to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Board to appoint Jamie Sue Vanderhoop as Town Treasurer. Motion was made and seconded that the appointment be made with a starting salary of Step 1, on Grade C. Tom Murphy gave thanks to Sibel Suman for her years of service to the Town.

High School Construction Funding

(No action taken)

Allen Rugg gave a update on ongoing negotiations between the six towns in their effort to reach agreement on a formula acceptable to every town that will form the basis for qualification for funding under the Massachusetts School Building Association funding for a new High School.

Highway Department Seasonal Helper

(Authorized Jay Smalley to advertize and hire a seasonal worker)

Jay Smalley asked the Board for permission to hire a seasonal worker for up to 25 hours per week to assist with his department. Tom Murphy made a motion to authorize the advertisement and hiring. The Board approved the motion.

#### Land Bank Letter

(No action taken)

Board acknowledged receipt of letter from Martha's Vineyard Land Bank director, Jim Lengyel. The letter expressed major concerns of the Land Bank over development at 4 Moshup Trail. Tom Murphy moved to accept the letter without further action though he did express his opinion that the town was fully capable of managing its own affairs without referral to the Martha's Vineyard Commission as suggested in the letter. The Board approved Tom's motion unanimously.

#### Island Housing Trust

(Board Signed required forms)

After a short discussion the Board signed the Land Disposition Agreement and other forms are requested by the developer (IHT).

#### Construction Contract Documents

(Authorized Town Administrator to sign documents)

Town Administrator presented contracts with ICON and Atlantic Construction for costs associated with schematic development phase of renovations to the Town Hall/Town Offices and Comfort Station at Aquinnah Circle. Board unanimously approved authorization of Town Administrator to sign contracts so long as they did not exceed monies appropriated at Annual Town Meeting.

#### Conflict of Interest

(Endorsed state statute requiring all employees and committee members to complete the on-line conflict of interest training)

#### Correspondence

(Accepted letter from Tribal Chairperson appointing Kevin Devine and Kristina Hook as Tribal Representatives on Committee to plan for upgrades at #13 & #15 Aquinnah Circle)

Jay Smalley raised several issues related to water from wells at Aquinnah Circle. Water remains potable, but is cloudy. He agreed to monitor the situation.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.