

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the meeting of March 14, 2018. The meeting took place in the Public Safety Facility Community Room, 4 Fairgrounds Road, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Jason Bridges, Matt Fee, Rita Higgins, Dawn Hill Holdgate, and James R. Kelly.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hill Holdgate called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

### II. BOARD ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted by the Board as presented.

### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Town Manager C. Elizabeth Gibson announced that the Board of Selectmen meeting is being video/audio recorded.
2. Public Works Director Robert McNeil announced that tomorrow, Thursday 15 there will be public information meeting regarding South Beach Street Road and sidewalk restoration plans and timing. Mr. McNeil announced that construction of South Beach started on Monday, bricks being removed from the sidewalk on the Nantucket Yacht Club side.
3. Mr. McNeil noted the Emergency Operation Center opened yesterday after the island loss power. Public Works received many phone calls reporting trees down. Sixteen people sought refuge at the Nantucket High School shelter. The storm resulted in minimal flooding and high winds. Mr. McNeil answered questions from the Board.
4. Ms. Gibson introduced new Our Island Home Administrator Brett Lennerton.
5. Ms. Gibson recognized Sergeant Kevin Marshall for his "Leadership in Suicide Prevention Award" received from Massachusetts Coalition for Suicide Prevention.
6. Tobias Glidden noted the Vineyard Power was on island this week for a project presentation that will be at display in different locations.

### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT\*

None.

### V. NEW BUSINESS\*

None.

### VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, WARRANTS AND PENDING CONTRACTS

1. Approval of Minutes of February 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM. Mr. Fee moved to approve minutes of February 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM; Ms. Higgins seconded. So voted, 4-0. Chairman Hill Holdgate abstained.
2. Approval of Payroll Warrants for Weeks of March 11, 2018. Mr. Bridges moved to approve payroll warrants for weeks of March 11, 2018; Ms. Higgins seconded. All in favor, so voted.
3. Approval of Treasury Warrants for March 14, 2018. Mr. Bridges moved to approve treasury warrants for March 14, 2018; Ms. Higgins seconded. All in favor, so voted.
4. Approval of Pending Contracts for March 14, 2018 - as Set Forth on the Spreadsheet Identified as Exhibit 1, Which Exhibit is Incorporated Herein by Reference. The pending contracts for March 14, 2018 were approved by the unanimous consent of the Board.

## VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. National Grid: Presentation on IslandReady Electricity Initiative (continued from January 17, 2018; February 7, 2018). This item has been tabled from tonight's agenda.

## VIII. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Resignation: Town Government Study Committee. Ms. Higgins moved to approve Melissa Murphy's resignation to Town Government Study Committee with a letter of thanks for her services; Mr. Bridges seconded. All in favor, so voted.

## IX. CITIZEN/DEPARTMENTAL REQUESTS

1. ReMain Nantucket: Review of Proposed In-Town Bike Path (Washington Street to Milestone Rotary) Planning Discussions – Short-term and Long-term. Melissa Philbrick, in representation of ReMain Nantucket, introduced the proposed project and review three different maps for the in-town bike path. Ms. Philbrick announced that on Monday, March 19 at 4:00 pm there will be a presentation on this topic at the Athenaeum. Ms. Philbrick noted that ReMain is mostly interested in the in-out downtown safeness. Ms. Philbrick noted there are two plans, a long and short terms. Mr. Fee expressed his support to this project; he feels "this project has to go up the chain and we have to get it done". Regarding the short term project, Ms. Philbrick feels that the collaboration between VHP engineers and DPW of street painting and signage will improve the situation. Ms. Philbrick answered questions from the Board regarding obstacles that are preventing execution of the long term plan. Mr. Kelly feels the long term project is doable and the short term should only take 3 years to be completed. The Board discussed how making this project a priority.

## X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT II

1. Request for Execution of Second Amendment to December 17, 2014 Memorandum of Understanding with Nantucket Land Bank Regarding Transfers of Property to Land Bank in Exchange for Property at 39 Washington Street and Easement Rights at 44 Washington Street. Ms. Gibson noted this is a second amendment to a December 2014 contract with the Nantucket Land Bank (NLB), "The Grand Swap", which extends dates for transactions completion. Ms. Gibson has discussed this with Town Counsel and believes that the transfer of 39 Washington Street can be done by May 31, and the remaining parcel by June 30. Mr. Fee does not feel comfortable signing this amendment; he would like it to be "more congenial and less threatening". Mr. Kelly would like to understand what would be the consequences of signing the amendment if the transfer does not happen. Chairman Hill Holdgate suggested Town Administration and NLB administration working to come to an agreement. Ms. Gibson noted this amendment is the result of discussions between NLB and Town attorneys. Mr. Kelly moved to authorize the Board's Chairman and Town Manager to come to a solution with NLB and report back to the Board; Ms. Higgins seconded. All in favor, so voted.

## XI. SELECTMEN'S REPORTS/COMMENT

1. Committee Reports. Ms. Higgins noted that Affordable Housing Trust Fund had a meeting to discuss how to come up with a strategic planning. From now on, AHTF will have regular strategic planning meetings.

Mr. Kelly invited the audience to attend to next week's meeting where a scientist from MIT will present the genetically altered mice project.

Chairman Hill Holdgate and Mr. Bridges attended a community meeting on Saturday. Mr. Bridges noted that someone mentioned that Nantucket does not do a great job preserving "the 20<sup>th</sup> Century very well". The Board discussed how to preserve the architectonic history of the island.

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:51 PM.

Approved the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2018.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MARCH 14, 2018 – 6:00 PM  
PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY COMMUNITY ROOM  
4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD  
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS**

List of documents used at the meeting:

- VI. 1. Draft minutes of February 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM
- VI. 3. Pending contracts spreadsheet for March 14, 2018; Town Counsel email re, Steamship Authority/Town contract; license agreement
- VII. 1. National Grid Island Ready presentation
- VII. 2. Melissa Murphy email resignation to Town Government Study Committee; TGSC members list
- IX. 1. ReMain email, re: in-town bike path proposal; Pubic Works draft plans; VHB engineers plans
- X. 1. Town Counsel email, re: Memorandum of Understanding between Nantucket Land Bank and the Town