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Minutes
Executive Board Meeting, Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 7:00 PM
Cotuit Library

Present: James Dannhauser, Tom Burgess, Seth Burdick, Carol Zais

Absent: Natalie Spence, Chris Gargiulo, Dave Doyle, Dick Hamilton, Fred Johanson, Leslie Leveille, Lallie Lloyd, Mike Scanlon

Guests: Paul Rhude, Chief, Cotuit Fire Department; Richard Pisano, Cotuit Fire Commissioner; Fran Parks, Chair, Prudential Committee; Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Town Councilor; Jayne Uenoyama

- 1. Call to Order:** Jim Dannhauser called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2. Resident Query:** Jane Uenoyama asked about the current status of the pedestrian crossing and intersection improvement project at the northern intersection of Ocean View Ave. and Main St. Jim Dannhauser informed her that nearby residents' concerns had been forwarded to and discussed with Dan Santos, Town DPW chief who had made a decision to install a three way stop at the intersection to increase safety both for pedestrians and for motorists.
- 3. Guest Presentation: Cotuit Fire Space Needs Feasibility Study:** Chief Paul Rhude gave a power point presentation of the architects' submission of designs for the rehabilitation of the existing Fire Station and expansion of the facility to accommodate village offices etc. Chief Rhude noted that the study was prompted by federal, state and local regulations including occupational health and safety as well as maintenance and public access to Cotuit Fire District records. These regulations render the second story of the fire station unusable as currently configured. Chief Rhude went through architects' proposals focusing on Option A, which provided for alteration of the second floor of the existing station into storage space, reconfiguration of the rear of the existing station into office and conference space for the chief, the district treasurer and assistant treasurer, and the prudential committee, as well as a large training/meeting room for public meetings, and regular and handicapped accessible lavatories etc. An attached building to be constructed on the adjacent lot recently acquired by the district would contain bunk rooms for the staff, an open living area and toilet facilities, as well as a fitness room on the lower floor and a garage for engine maintenance and winter fireboat storage. Cost estimates for these designs had not yet been made at the time of this presentation. In the discussion following the presentation, Councilor Grasseti asked if any study had been made of the water company's head offices on Route 28 as a possible site for the Fire Station or offices. There was general agreement that any presentation to the public should include various options and their relative costs. Jane Uenoyama noted that costs will be a factor considering the Cotuit Water Department's proposals for increased rates. There will be a presentation by both the Fire and Water Commissioners at the general meeting of the Cotuit Santuit Civic Association on April 16, 2019 at 7:30 PM at Freedom Hall. The Fire Department will present on the potential

rehabilitation/alteration project and the Water Department will present on the new rate proposal for water use in the village.

4. Precinct 7 Report: Jessica Rapp Grasseti reported:

- The Capital Improvement Program for the Town of Barnstable has been issued for 2019. The Memorial Park improvement project has been deferred the Town will attend to improvements to the School Street Shoestring Bay bridge and begin the design and permitting process to extend the Town Dock. This extension will provide for a permanent slip for the Public Safety Boat. The Town also intends to construct a dock on West Bay at the Bridge St. public access location.
- The Harbor Master's office will be issuing decal permits for dinghies stored on Town land. These will cost \$25.00 for those who possess a mooring permit and \$50.00 for those who don't
- There have been some complaints about insufficient parking places at Loop and Riley's Beaches for stickered vehicles. There have been suggestions that "stickered" spaces be made on Main St. Tom Burgess commented that this seemed "mean" and it meant that there would be absolutely no beach parking for non-residents who visit Cotuit in the summer.

Business meeting:

1. In the absence of a quorum, no votes were taken on the Secretary's or Treasurer's reports.
2. Jim Dannhauser reported that Leslie Leveille's work schedule will prevent her from attending Tuesday evening meetings. She has suggested she resign. Tom Burgess asked if another evening might suit for the monthly meeting.
3. Tom Burgess and Carol Zais will meet with Jim Dannhauser during March to finalize parade participant permitting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas K. Burgess, Secretary

