Town of Isle La Motte

Select Board Meeting

June 2, 2021

5:00 pm at Isle La Motte School

In attendance: Rusty Spaulding, Selby Turner, Paul Zera, Sarah Noble, Mary LaBrecque, Debbie Spaulding, Louise Koss, Cathy Tudhope, Peter Brozowy, Barbara Callahan, Sylvia Jensen, Ruth Casey and Anne Jobin-Picard

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm by Chair Rusty Spaulding

Note: #13 on Agenda (Recreation Park discussion) moved up to #1.

Additions to Agenda : request for future agenda item(s) by attendee.

Recreation Park Discussion : Two members of Recreation department presented requests for:

1. Moving 5K run to the Fall.
2. Having more Town involvement in the management of Recreation Park as fund raising is difficult.

Chair explained that although the Recreation Department is a separate entity and the Town has no control over their activities, they are welcome to submit a proposal to the Select Board.

Executive Session ; Motion to enter executive session made at 5:14 by Selby Turner, seconded by Paul Zera. Executive Session commenced.

Executive Session ended at 5:17. Selby Turner explained that there has been interest in leasing the portion of the Brothers camp that had been leased by Woodmen of the World. The party has looked at it, but no proposal has been submitted. This was a cold call from a nonresident.

 Approve minutes of 5/5/21 : Motion made by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Ratify Liquor License for Ruthcliffe ; Motion by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Warrants for Payroll and payables :

Payroll 5/11 $1890.24 Ratification of Paul Zera’s signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Payroll 5/26 $2220.99 Ratification of Paul Zera’s signature . Motion to ratify by Selby Turner. All in favor.

EFT (IRS and Fish & Game) 5/19 $833.55 Ratification of Paul Zera’s signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Payables 5/19 $447569.78 Ratification of Paul Zera’s signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Payables 6/2 $13310.44 Motion to approve by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Budget and Balance Sheet : Nothing to report.

Discussion about paving of Causeway which was completed on 6/2.

Road Commissioner Report : Selby Turner announced that he received notification from state that town would be receiving a grant a year early. Nothing can be done until official notification is received, but Select Board believes the amount is $172,000.00 Town will have to come up with an additional $17,000, as $17,000 was budgeted this year in anticipation of grant. Grant is specific for skimming.

Dog Ordinance/contract ; Current ordinance is abbreviated, however Chair would like to adopt more extensive ordinance received from the animal control officer.

Sale of Town Property : Radar which town purchased in 2018 for around $5,000 is still sitting in boxes. Select board would like to sell. Town Clerk will promote on Town Clerks statewide group email. Attendees expressed concern about not using this radar to monitor speed, and that they feel there is excessive speeding on Main St.. Selby Turner is acquiring additional signs for Main St..

School move- timeline : Moving will start at 8:30 am Monday June 7th. Boyles will open wall Friday afternoon and Rusty will secure with plywood from inside.

Trustees - Sunset lots : Chair of Trustees discussed that the Board has been trying to come up with a proposal to sell the lots on Sunset View Lane. Discussion concerning issues with well on one of the lots and selling the lots. Trustees would like to get an opinion from another realtor who sells more land lots.

Ratify Signing of CAI Technologies (Tax Map Contract) : Motion to ratify made by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Sign Lease: Rental agreement between Town and Ember and Stacey Boyle was read by Rusty Spaulding. Motion to approve made by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Communications Union District (CUD) appointments : No letters from interested parties had been received at this time. Mary Catherine Graziano is appointed the representative and Sylvia Jensen the alternate. Selby Turner moved to accept appointment of Mary Catherine as representative, second by Paul Zera. All in favor. Selby Turner moved to accept appointment of Sylvia as alternate, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Regional Planning Commission; Sylvia Jensen would like to continue as representative, and will post on Front Porch Forum requesting volunteers for a second representative. Selby Turner moved to accept appointment of Sylvia as representative, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

American Recovery Plan : Basic goals are sewer, water, and broadband. Select Board is unsure what benefit Isle La Motte will receive, however more information will be forthcoming.

Other Business : Attendee discussed continuing improvements to the entrance to Isle La Motte. Does not want to approach businesses for estimates without Select Board support. Discussed replacing stained telephone poles with stone from quarry. The Select Board agreed that they support the process of enhancing the entrance to the island as long as there was no cost to taxpayers. Motion to give non-financial support to this project made by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Selby Turner at 6:11 pm, second by Paul Zera, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LaBrecque

Select board clerk

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