

Regular Select Board Meeting

17 March 2023

5:10 PM

Town Office at Isle La Motte School

In attendance: Rusty Spaulding, Cary Sandvig, Mary Catherine Graziano, Steve Mank, Joyce Tuck, Terry Tuck, Debbie Spaulding, Barbara Callahan, Michael Frett, Anne Jobin-Picard

Meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by Town Clerk Steve Mank.

Board reorganization: Rusty Spaulding nominated Mary Catherine Graziano for Board Chair, Cary Sandvig seconded. Motion was called, all in favor.

Other Business: Board Chair Mary Catherine Graziano asked for any Other Business. Rusty Spaulding mentioned something for the end of the meeting. Anne Jobin-Picard had a Rec Park Update, and a need to head home early.

Rusty Spaulding Moved to have Rec Dept update first. Motion seconded by Cary Sandvig. All in favor.

Rec Park Update: Two new volunteers after a call on Front Porch Forum. Rec Chairs are grateful.

Island Arts Reached out about programming. Wanted to have the ILM event in North Hero. Rec chairs are going to request an ILM event. Suggesting an event at the park, possibly hip-hop with Liza Mercy.

Rec department also are planning weekly drop-in Thursday events, for example, Badminton and BYO picnics

Rec Chairs need a waiver for their programming, specifically for covering minors. Steve Mank offered to call the insurance to ask them if they have waivers they would prefer us to use.

Meeting Time and Location: Discussion of timing of meeting, including logistics and preferences of board members. Mary Catherine Graziano suggested a later time so other people can attend. Rusty Spaulding stated that attendance seems to be the same no matter the time. Cary Sandvig stated that later would be easier for him to attend. 6:00 was suggested.

Mary Catherine Graziano suggested two meetings a month, to allow the board to have shorter meetings and get more done. Cary Sandvig said that he would like the two meetings to be closer together to have more time between meetings to have flexibility. Rusty Spaulding stated that 2 meetings had not accomplished much in the past. Steve Mank suggested that one meeting focus on financials, so we don't have to do them twice a month.

Rusty Spaulding made a motion to have the meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 6pm. Cary Sandvig seconded it. Graziano and Sandvig Aye, Rusty Spaulding Nay

Posting Sites, Newspaper of Record: Old Town Hall, Post Office, School, and the Islander is the paper of record.

Approve Board Policy: Cary Sandvig and Rusty Spaulding suggested some minor changes, including updating the meeting times and agenda deadlines. Rusty Spaulding made a motion to approve the policy as updated, Cary Sandvig seconded, all in favor.

No Executive Session Needed:

Approval of Minutes: Cary Sandvig was not at the meetings the minutes represented, so he was recused. 1/28 5:00 pm Special Selectboard Meeting minutes approved, motioned by Rusty Spaulding, seconded by Mary Catherine Graziano, all in favor.

1/30 5:00 pm Special Selectboard Meeting minutes approved, motioned by Rusty Spaulding, seconded by Mary Catherine Graziano, all in favor.

2/6 4:45 Special Selectboard Meeting minutes approved, motioned by Rusty Spaulding, seconded by Mary Catherine Graziano, all in favor

2/6 9:00 am Special Selectboard Meeting minutes approved, motioned by Rusty Spaulding, seconded by Mary Catherine Graziano, all in favor.

2/6 5:00 Regular Selectboard Meeting minutes approved, motioned by Rusty Spaulding, seconded by Mary Catherine Graziano, all in favor.

Warrants for Payroll & Payables: 3/14 IRS payroll for \$537.61. Ratification of Rusty Spaulding's signature. Mary Catherine Motioned to ratify, Cary Sandvig seconded, all in favor.

3/14 Payroll for \$2,456.35. Ratification of Rusty Spaulding's signature. Mary Catherine Motioned to ratify, Cary Sandvig seconded, all in favor.

2/28 Payroll for \$2,572.78. Ratification of Rusty Spaulding's signature. Mary Catherine Motioned to ratify, Cary Sandvig seconded, all in favor.

Road Commissioner's Report: N/A. Chair Mary Catherine Graziano noted that she would contact Selby specifically.

Roadside Mowing Bids- advertise: Rusty Spaulding will get bid from Mary for the board to advertise

New Selectboard Clerk Interviews: No applications.

Clarify ACO Position: For later agenda item. Steve Mank mentioned that the Town Office will be open 8:00-1:00 on April 1 for the licenses. After April 1, everything goes up \$4/ license. The

town will post this in the Islander as well. Steve Mank learned from the Islander that there's a Town Clerk column for towns, and he plans to revive that and do the report for the town.

Develop List of Potential Ordinances & Policies for the Board: Board members will come up with suggested items to bring to the board for next meetings. Rusty Spaulding noted that policies and ordinances have to be enforced, so we need to think about the method of enforcement.

**Appointed Positions:**

Rusty Spaulding agreed to be Moderator as a result of write-ins and was sworn in by Steve Mank.

Grand Juror has no appointments, and is no longer statutory and obligatory

Social Services: Rusty Spaulding motioned for Joyce Tuck to be Social Services Officer. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Forest Fire Warden: State appointed. Will check if we have to renew this annually.

North West Solid Waste District: Rusty Spaulding motioned for Joyce Tuck to be Northwest Solid Waste District Representative. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Northwest Communications Union District Representatives: Rusty Spaulding motioned for Cary Sandvig to be primary and Mary Catherine Graziano to be alternate for CUD Representatives. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Health Officer: State position, Jimmy Senesac Jr.

Green Up Day President: Rusty Spaulding motioned for Alex Montagne to be Green Up Day Chair. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Recreation Department Co-Chairs: Rusty Spaulding motioned for Anne Jobin Picard and Ruth Casey to be Co-Chairs of the Recreation Department. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Northwest Regional Planning Commission: Sylvia Jenson

Emergency Management Director: Needs to be filled

Rental of Lakeshore Lot: Rusty Spaulding will take care of putting out previous ad and contract, and start the bid process.

ILMCO use of rec park for their annual 'Music in the Park & Barbeque' event: Rusty Spaulding motioned to allow, Cary Sandvig seconded, all in favor.

Other Business: Rusty Spaulding mentioned that the school board is waiting 30 days before starting the paperwork for selling the school to the town, in case there's a petition created.

Rusty Spaulding will continue communicating with Michael Clark and connect him with the town lawyer.

Authorizing selectboard members to sign payroll and other payables to keep town business moving forward: Rusty Spaulding motioned to allow any selectboard member to authorize payment of payroll and payables, to be ratified at a meeting. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Joyce Tuck requested permission to decorate the Town Hall and the school. Steve Mank agreed to decorating the school. Rusty Spaulding made a motion to approve decorating the Old Town Hall. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Reviewed Certification of Compliance for Town Road and Bridge Standards. Rusty Spaulding motioned to sign it. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rusty Spaulding at 6:13 pm. Cary Sandvig seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Catherine Graziano

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Selectboard Meeting Sign in Sheet

TERRY Tuck - *Terrance J. Tuck*

Joyce H. Tuck

Dollie Spaulding

Barbara Collier

Michael ~~Wright~~ Frett (The Islander)

Anne Johnson -

*Handwritten signature*