SELECT BOARD

Minutes of Meeting of December 14, 2022. The hybrid meeting took place in person at the Public Safety Facility Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road; and, via remote participation using Zoom Webinar. Members of the Board present were Jason Bridges, Matt Fee, Dawn Holdgate, Dr. Malcolm MacNab and Brooke Mohr.

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, following the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. SELECT BOARD ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
The agenda was accepted as posted.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS
1. The Select Board Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded.

2. Finance Committee Public Hearing on 2023 Citizen Warrant Articles: Thursday, December 15, 2022, 4:00 PM in the Public Safety Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road and by Remote Participation via Zoom Webinar.

3. Select Board Announcements/Comments. Ms. Mohr encouraged people to view the “Island Cup” film at the Dreamland.

IV. FOLLOW-UP ON COMMENTS FROM PRIOR SELECT BOARD MEETINGS
There was no follow-up from prior meetings.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment.

VI. NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, WARRANTS AND PENDING CONTRACTS
Ms. Holdgate moved approval of items VII 1 – 3; seconded by Ms. Mohr; all in favor, so voted.

1. Approval of Minutes of December 7, 2022 at 5:30 PM; December 8, 2022 at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of Payroll Warrants for December 11, 2022.

3. Approval of Treasury Warrants for December 14, 2022.

4. Approval of Pending Contracts for December 14, 2022 - as Set Forth on the Spreadsheet Identified as Exhibit 1, Which Exhibit is Incorporated Herein by Reference.
Ms. Mohr moved approval of pending contracts as presented; seconded by Ms. Holdgate; all in favor, so voted.

VIII. CITIZEN/DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE REQUESTS

1. Resignation Acceptance: Council on Aging. Ms. Holdgate moved to accept the resignation of Kendra Lockley with thanks for her service; seconded by Mr. Fee; all in favor, so voted.

Items VIII. 2 - 3 were moved to follow item IX – 1 (FY 24 General Fund Budget Recommendations)

IX. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. FY 2024 General Fund Budget Presentation. Town Manager C. Elizabeth Gibson and Director of Finance Brian Turbitt reviewed the presentation contained in the Board's agenda packet. Ms. Mohr asked about room occupancy tax revenue. Mr. Turbitt answered. Ms. Gibson noted that additional discussion about the budget is scheduled for the Board's December 21st meeting.

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2. Energy Coordinator: Municipal Solar Projects Update. Energy Coordinator Lauren Sinatra introduced Seth Sakamoto and Eric Stevens of Total Energies to assist with the review. Mr. Sakamoto reviewed the presentation contained in the Board's packet and reviewed the history of the projects at Wannacomet Water/1 Milestone Road and the Surfside Wastewater Treatment Facility, project descriptions, ownership and development contracts, permitting, project milestones and next steps, expected benefits, revenues and expense offsets. Nantucket Land Council (NLC) representative Emily Molden said that the NLC is supportive of Town efforts for alternative energy but expressed concern and opposition as to use of the Wannacomet Water property for this purpose, citing legal, permitting and environmental concerns. Billy Cassidy said that he owns property abutting the Wannacomet Water property and fully supports the project. Dr. MacNab asked if the possibility of an appeal to the state regarding the NLC legal concern has been/could be explored. Mr. Fee said he did not see that was necessary. Discussion followed as to potential mitigation options. Chair Bridges said if there is a different mitigation option available, it should be determined quickly as this project has been delayed already. Rick Atherton suggested that non-Town-owned conservation land be made available for this project; and, that the NLC legal issue has validity. Ms. Holdgate said she understands the NLC concerns; however, due to the Island's limitations on available property suitable for mitigation, options are limited. Ms. Sinatra spoke on the benefits of the project, the work that has been done to date and the project requirements which do not lend themselves to the use of non-Town-owned land for mitigation.

3. Public Works and Transportation Program Manager: Review of Milestone Road Bike Path Extension Design and Proposed Milestone Road/Polpis Road Intersection Redesign/Construction. Transportation Program Manager Patrick Reed introduced Pam Haznar of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and provided an overview of the project, noting that MassDOT has agreed to fund and potentially manage the entire project, with the condition that it be supported by the Board through a letter as requested by MassDOT. Mr. Reed spoke on the options examined, safety considerations and the improvements recommended. Mr. Reed noted that without intersection improvements at the Polpis/Milestone intersection, this project will not move forward, as this is considered a necessary safety improvement by the State. Ms. Holdgate noted that the Nantucket Planning & Economic Development Commission (NP&EDC) met on December 12th and voted to endorse the project as recommended. Ms. Mohr spoke in favor of the project. Mr. Fee moved to issue the letter of support as contained in the packet; seconded by Dr. MacNab; all in favor, so voted. Some discussion followed as to the benefits of the project. Ms. Haznar emphasized the safety aspects of the project and thanked the Board for the ability to move the project forward. Rick Atherton expressed support for the project.

IX. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
2. 2023 Annual Town Meeting:
Continued Preliminary Review of Town-Sponsored Warrant Articles for 2023 Annual Town Meeting and/or Ballot Questions for 2023 Annual Town Election. Ms. Gibson noted one addition from the prior week's review with respect to an amendment to the Affordable Housing Trust legislation. Ms. Mohr explained the change noting that it involves consistency with the definition of affordable housing with respect to income levels.

Review of Citizen Warrant Articles with Town Counsel. Town Counsel John Giorgio reviewed his legal review of the citizen-sponsored articles. Some discussion followed on various articles. Mr. Fee commented that analysis of citizen warrant articles needs to be more "in depth". Discussion continued. Dr. MacNab commented that he does not feel discussion among Board members at this time is helpful. Ms. Holdgate suggested that Board members or at least one attend Finance Committee meetings on these articles. Mr. Giorgio commented that citizen articles sometimes are not given the comprehensive consideration that some of the proposals really need by the sponsors.

X. SELECT BOARD'S REPORTS/COMMENT
1. Committee Reports. Ms. Holdgate said that interviews for the Nantucket Regional Transit Authority (NRTA) Administrator began today.

XI. ADJOURNMENT
Dr. MacNab moved adjournment at 7:29 PM; seconded by Ms. Holdgate; all in favor, so voted.

Approved the 21st day of December 2022.

SELECT BOARD
DECEMBER 14, 2022 – 5:30 PM
PSF COMMUNITY ROOM, 4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM WEBINAR
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS

List of documents used at the meeting:

VII. 1. Draft minutes of 12/7/2022; Draft minutes of 12/8/2022
VII. 4. Pending contracts spreadsheet
VIII. 1. Current membership list of Council on Aging; Kendra Lockley resignation
VIII. 2. AIS re: Municipal Solar Projects Update; Memo re: Municipal Solar Projects Update; Solar Procurement Update presentation
VIII. 3. AIS re: Milestone Rd sidepath extension project; Milestone & Polpis Path & Intersection Improvements presentation; Milestone Road Preliminary Plans; NP&EDC Support Letter
IX. 1. FY 2024 General Fund Budget presentation; FY 2024 Budget Message
IX. 2. Outline # 6 for 2023 ATM Warrant; Planning concept articles as of 11/30/2022; Town Counsel comments on citizen warrant article submissions