

**Assessors' Meeting**

January 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm at the Monhegan Library

*Present:* Jim Buccheri- First Assessor, Andrew Dalrymple- Second Assessor, Carley Feibusch- Municipal Administrator

*Present via Zoom:* Michael Brassard- Third Assessor, Maura Conley, Tara Hire, Jes Stevens, Ben Odom, Tish Miller, Danik Farrell, Lisa Brackett, Miki Partridge, Richard Farrell

**The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm.**

**Minutes:** December 9<sup>th</sup> and December 14<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as written.

**Warrant:** Approved in the amount of \$26,636.02

**Treasurers Report:** Submitted.

**Old Business:**Department Reports:

*Tax Collector/ Clerk/ Registrar of Voters:* Dog tags are now available. Lisa showed Carley how to do them. Lisa is also meeting with Carley to transfer documents to the new computer.

*Fire:* A written report was submitted. There was discussion about how to handle the overage in expenses. A new law requires gas leak detectors in certain areas, Carley will look into potential bulk buy options.

*Wharf:* Michael is getting quotes for new diamond plate for the ramp and tops for pilings.

CBAC Update:

Tectonic did the tower analysis on December 20<sup>th</sup> and is working on the report. Hayley Ward has been contacted to do a redesign of the tower base as that was the costliest component of the project.

Water Company:

LCRPC awarded a \$2,000 grant to consult with a lawyer about the history of the water company and make the appropriate transfer of the water company to the Plantation to be better eligible for funding in the future. There is no update on Lincoln County's plans for ARPA funds.

Traffic Ordinance:

Further discussion on the next steps for the ordinance and upcoming vehicle permit fee mailing. Carley will follow-up in an email.

Tourism Discussion:

The assessors drafted an email with a survey question to the community to get a better sense of what the community would like to see happen in response to the increase in tourism. Responses to the survey will be anonymous unless people wish to identify themselves. Carley scanned and shared the Human Impact Committee documents from 1997.

Karen Kuest from LindBlad answered some questions. Carley will introduce her to MAI via email. There was discussion that knowing how many visitors here last summer and the capacity of the different ferries and hotels would be helpful.

#### 2022 Budgeting Schedule

The first meeting will be January 19th, 2022 at 4pm. ARPA Funds allocation will be discussed at the budget meeting.

#### METF Update:

There was a meeting last week. Not much news. NEAV is working at the cable landing site in East Boothbay.

#### Municipal Administrator Update:

A written update was submitted. Audit documents should be sent to Brewer's office by the end of the week.

#### Ferry Advisory Committee Update:

The committee has not met. Carley will follow-up on an email that was recently sent.

#### Sea Level Rise Project Update:

Andrew needs to follow-up with Baker Designs. A progress report is due on the 15<sup>th</sup> for the grant.

#### COVID-19 Taskforce Update:

Hospitals are strained in the state as the Omicron variant takes off. Testing supplies on Monhegan are in good shape.

#### **New Business:**

#### Mental Health Resources:

Crisis counselors will be on island next week for two nights and will be available for group or independent meetings. There are other resources being made available and anyone can contact Jim or Jes for more information.

The next regular Assessors meeting is scheduled for February 8<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:28pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carley Feibusch, Municipal Administrator