

**New Shoreham Town Council Meeting  
Town Hall, Old Town Road, Block Island  
Wednesday, August 18, 2010  
7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** First Warden Kimberley H. Gaffett, Second Warden Raymond J. Torrey, Town Councilor Kenneth C. Lacoste and Town Councilor Richard P. Martin. **Absent:** Councilor Peter B. Baute. Also present was Town Manager Nancy O. Dodge. Town Clerk Fiona Fitzpatrick was present to take the minutes of the meeting.

First Warden Gaffett called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

**Warden's Report:** First Warden Gaffett reported Congressman Jim Langevin will be on the Island for a "meet and greet" lunch at Ballard's on August 22. The annual joint meeting of the Tourism Council and Chamber of Commerce will be September 27. The RI DOT has announced federal funding has been granted to repair flood damage to Corn Neck Road and Spring Street. Work will begin in September. The RI DOT was out for final inspection of North Light yesterday, they are very pleased and will use the light as their poster project. The job could not have been done without the passion, concern, knowledge and persistence of Rob Gilpin. The relighting ceremony is tentatively scheduled for September 15, the final date rests with the Coast Guard.

**Public Input:** Former First Warden Edith Blane announced the mid-August meeting was formerly known as the "complaining meeting." She is pleased the Town moved the rocks back from the road in front of Dr. Shanley's house. However, she observed the right of way at Andy's Way has become very steep and needs maintenance. Audience members joined in the spirit of the "complaining meeting." It was noted that people are walking around the fence at the National, there are plantings on Town property at Cooneymus Road, Ballard's has fenced 260 feet north of their boundary line, and a boundary wall was removed at Andy's Way for boat storage which impedes the right of way. Ms. Gaffett asked those present to send a letter so their concerns may be added to the agenda of the September 15 meeting.

**1. Consider and act on request of LNG WG to adopt a Town of New Shoreham resolution re: Hess Weaver's Cove LNG Offshore proposal**

Ellen Winsor and Gordon Carrolton of the LNG Working Group were present and asked the Council to endorse a resolution opposing the Hess Weaver's Cove LNG Offshore facility proposed for the Mount Hope Bay. Discussion ensued. The resolution is attached to these minutes.

Ms. Gaffett moved to adopt a resolution in opposition to the Hess Weaver's Cove LNG Offshore proposal, seconded by Mr. Martin.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin)      Nays:0      Absent: 1 (Baute)

**2. Act on request of Deepwater Wind re: request for a letter of support for Deepwater Wind's application to the U.S. Department of Energy Loan Guarantee Program**

Mr. Bryan Wilson, Deepwater's Island liaison, was present. The letter, which is not needed until October, is one of many being sought in support of the application. Discussion of the request ensued.

Mr. Torrey moved that the New Shoreham Town Council write a letter of support for the DOE loan guarantee program for the Block Island wind farm, seconded by Ms. Gaffett.

In discussion, Mr. Lacoste preferred to see a draft of the application before he offers his support.

Ms. Gaffett moved to table the item to the interim September meeting, seconded by Mr. Lacoste.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin)      Nays: 0      Absent: 1 (Baute)

**3. Approval of Loan Resolution for USDA Loan for Sewer Facility**

First Warden Gaffett moves to authorize loan resolution as presented by Finance Director and to authorize the Town Manager to execute the associated documents, seconded by Councilor Martin.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

**4. Receive and act on TNS Police Department monthly report: July 2010**

First Warden Gaffett moved to accept the NSPD report of July, 2010, seconded by Second Warden Torrey.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

Mr. Martin requested the Chief to attend a meeting to give input regarding means to identify rental mopeds.

**5. Boards, Committees and Commissions**

- Shellfish Commission Resignation and Appointment

Ms. Gaffett moved to accept Arthur Rose's resignation with a letter of thanks, seconded by Mr. Torrey.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

Mr. Lacoste moved to appoint Joseph Fallon to serve out the unexpired term of Arthur Rose on the Shellfish Commission, seconded by Mr. Martin.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

**6. Minutes: July 21, 2010, August 2, 2010 and August 4, 2010; unseal closed session minutes of April 5, 2010**

Ms. Gaffett moved to approve the minutes with a correction to July 21, and to unseal the closed session minutes of April 5, 2010 and to unseal any other minutes pertaining to the right of way dispute at Cooneymus Road. Motion seconded by Mr. Martin.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

At 8:50, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and voted approved.

Ayes: 4 (Gaffett, Torrey, Lacoste, Martin) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Baute)

Minutes approved: September 7, 2010

Fiona Fitzpatrick  
Town Clerk