

Block Island Housing Board
Thursday, May 10, 2012
Town Hall, Old Town Road
7:00p.m.

Present; Debbie Howarth, Millie McGinnes, Fraser Lang, Kay McManus and after the first vote John Spier and Patty Murphy.

Not Present: Cindy Pappas

Approval of minutes April 12, 2012 (two sets)

Minutes were approved in a motion by Kay McManus and seconded by Millie McGinnes.

Ayes 4 (Howarth, McGinnes, Lang, McManus, Nays 0 Absent 3 (Spier, Murphy, Pappas)

Public Input

Mention was made that the Land Trust would be meeting on Monday and discussing the Hyland Property. Cindy Pappas plans to attend.

It was noted that Kay McManus and Fraser Lang will have to declare if they are running for re-election June 25, 26, or 27.

Financial Statements, Tax collection update, Bills already paid: Bal Lab \$70.00, Home Depot \$325.68, Interstate Navigation freight bill \$71.90, Arnold Lumber \$311.60

Motion was made by Millie McGinnes and seconded by Fraser Lang to ratify the payment of the above bills.

Ayes: 6 (Howarth, McGinnes, Lang, McManus, Spier, & Murphy) Nays 0 Absent 1 (Pappas)

Motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by Millie McGinnes to accept the Financial Statements.

Ayes: 6 (Howarth, McGinnes, Lang, McManus, Spier, & Murphy) Nays 0 Absent 1 (Pappas)

Clerk reported that \$94,245.17 has been collected to date with 216 responses to go.

Budget

Debbie Howarth's draft budget was discussed. Engineering expenses of \$20,000 will be added to the budget.

Motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by Fraser Lang to move \$200,000 into a CD or CD's at Amy Land's discretion.

Ayes: 6 (Howarth, McGinnes, Lang, McManus, Spier, & Murphy) Nays 0 Absent 1 (Pappas)

Jacke Property Landscaping

One Bid was received from BI Hardscape, Seth Draper, for \$3,484. It was decided to negotiate the bid with Seth and Wyatt. There will be a meeting on Thursday, May 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. There was a discussion about forsythia and the path to Coast Guard Road through Wyatt's property for Ellen Jacke. Bill Connelli will be contacted to meet with one member of the housing board (Cindy Pappas) and Wyatt to discuss the right of way.

Also discussed pertaining to Jacke Property:

The leftover pile of dirt

Propane tanks that need to be moved

New Timers for the Ventilation system

Leachfield – Wyatt’s concern

Leaking Bulkhead – Wyatt’s concern

Water Flow meters

John Spier reported that RI Monthly will be here soon to do a story on the houses.

Brown Smith Discussion

There was a discussion about a game plan including a flow chart of how and when things will get done. John Spier will write an RFP for a Class 2 survey (mid-range) to include property lines, topography, flag wetlands and deed research. It needs to be stated in the RFP that we would own the CAD files.

The award for this bid will be on next month’s agenda.

Clerk will send out the survey to the people on the previous list.

With no business for closed session, at 8:00 p.m., a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Murphy and seconded by Fraser Lang and voted unanimously.

Minutes accepted:

Bonny Ryan