

Islesboro Select Board
Regular Meeting
Town Office Meeting Room & via Zoom
Thursday, September 30, 2021 @ 5:30 PM

MINUTES

Members Present:

Chair Gabe Pendleton, Vice Chair Shey Conover, Melissa Burns, Lauren Bruce, Phil Seymour

Others Present:

Town Manager Janet Anderson, Holly Fields, Janis Petzel, Carrie Reed

VIA ZOOM: Roger Heinen, Jennifer West, Maggy Willcox, Fred Porter, Emily Rosco

Call to Order: Chair Pendleton called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the minutes of September 16, 2021 after corrections made as suggested by P. Seymour. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

FERRY UPDATE

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by M. Burns, to approve the Ferry Questionnaire that will go out in Town Mailing. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

SEA LEVEL RISE

There is a Sea Level Rise Committee meeting on Tuesday and there will be an update after that.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to go out of order. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Energy Committee, ETIPP Scope of Work: Janis Petzel and Holly Fields request that the Select Board approve the Energy Committee signing the Scope of work from Energy Transitions Initiative Partnership Project (ETIPP) for Sustainable and Resilient Energy Systems as discussed at a previous meeting. There is no commitment to do any of the projects outlined and there is no financial commitment. Janis will be the point of contact for this project.

MOTION BY S. Conover, seconded by L. Bruce to approve the Energy Committee signing the Scope of Work from ETIPP. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY S. Conover, seconded by P. Seymour, to go back into order. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY P. Seymour seconded by L. Bruce, to go into Public Hearing. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

PUBLIC HEARING

Victualer's License for Two Canary Café at the ICC: All paperwork is in order. Lauren Jellison will be running the café.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to leave Public Hearing. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY P. Seymour seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the Victualer's License for Two Canary Cafe. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by P. Seymour, to go into Public Hearing. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

PUBLIC HEARING

2021-2022 Annual General Assistance Appendices: Janet provided information on the criteria for which people can qualify for assistance that are set by Waldo County. We have budgeted for this and do get reimbursed a portion of the used funds from Waldo County.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to leave Public Hearing. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve the General Assistance Appendices. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

1. IMB Insurance Status: Roger Heinen present via Zoom to let the Select Board know that they are still searching for someone to provide coverage for the IMB Equipment. Janet & Vern have been working with Cross Insurance and Maine Municipal Associate to seek insurance coverage. The alternative is to go forward assuming we are self-insured. However, we do not have adequate reserves at this time in case of a significant storm or wildfire. It was decided to wait until it is known for sure that we cannot get coverage before looking at transferring funds and start building up the capital reserves so that in the event of damage we will have money set aside.

Roger is going to contact the Maine Broadband Coalition with a question as to how other communities have solved this problem. He will also write a letter from the IMB Committee to this new broadband group in the state and suggest they consider the importance of insurance for these systems.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Planning Board October 18, 2021

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Scanned Items:

- 9/30/21 Agenda
- 9/16/21 Minutes/draft
- Public Hearing: General Assistance annual appendices
- Info FY22 Fuel Oil Bid from Vinal Energy
- 9/16/21 MSFS Annual Report
- 7/12/21 Energy Committee Minutes
- Warrant #7 and recap
- Energy Committee Scope of Work

Thanks to Ken Smith and Dave Petzel for managing the speed trailer this summer. It was out for 85 days and they will come in at some point with their statistics.

The Board needs to sign the Remote Meeting and Participation Policy that was voted on in July.

Zach Conover has volunteered to work on the Maddie Dodge Field Improvement Project. He is looking over the soccer field plans that Tom Fowler drew up in 2015. He hopes to have a fully conceived plan in early 2022.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Award FY22 Fuel Oil Contract. Janet provided the breakdown of what was spent on fuel oil in the 3 different Town buildings, which was about \$8400.00. The second alternative offered from Vinal Energy of \$25,000.00, which is more than what we will use. It was decided to go with the first option as discussed at the last meeting.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to award the Fuel Bid to Vinal Energy, for the period ending June 30, 2022 at the wholesale price plus bidder's expense at 20-cents per gallon. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to approve Janet Anderson signing the contract with Vinal Energy. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

APPROVE WARRANT: FY22 - #7

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by S. Conover, to approve Warrant #7 for FY22 in the amount of \$276,310.48 . Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

CHAIR COMMENTS

I just wanted to thank everybody who showed up at the workshop that we had last week. It ended sort of abruptly. I'm not clear if we are going to have a second application or not, we will have to wait and see whether it comes up again. It sounded like there was a mixed reception within CMP about the utility of that plan. I think, in the event that this happens in the future, this will at least give us a starting point to consider the issue about whether or not and how to approve such an underground utility run when, especially when it's the main line, and not at the end of service as it's more difficult for that type of thing.

INDIVIDUAL SELECT BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Melissa reminds everyone to go to the home soccer game on Friday at **3:00**. Senior night is October 13th. Junior class is gearing up to start fundraising.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Tina Pendleton
Administrative Assistant**