

**Islesboro Select Board  
Regular Meeting  
October 2, 2019  
Town Office Meeting Room**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Arch Gillies, Phil Seymour, Gabe Pendleton, Lauren Bruce, Shey Conover  
Others Present: Town Manager – Janet Anderson, Linda Gillies, Earl MacKenzie, Ken Smith, Gil Rivera,  
Maggie Willcox, Stan Makara, Bill Boardman, Steve Miller  
Call to Order: Arch Gillies called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM and a quorum was established.

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the minutes of September 18, 2019 as written. Motion passed 5-0.**

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by G. Pendleton, to take the meeting out of order. Motion passed 5-0.**

**Harbor Committee, RE Pripet Wharf Project Update**

Ken Smith: The Harbor Committee is asking the Select Board to endorse a “Letter of Intent” for the Pripet Wharf Project to Matthew Burns, Small Harbor Improvement Program Manager so they can seek state and/or federal grants. This will allow Islesboro to get in the queue along with other Maine towns seeking the same funding source. Ken says that the committee is not pleased with the estimate from Landmark and will put it out to bid. They would like to meet with local boatyards and contractors to get their input before putting the bid together.

Steve Miller: IIT turned over that with intentions of a landing with a conservation easement specific for public use. This is already Town land and has been improved already, a quarry was filled in, tanks and piping were removed, and a parking area created.

Earl MacKenzie: The committee has spoken with several of the abutters and does not see any problems. They will keep them informed along the way.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by P. Seymour to approve sending a letter of intent to the Small Harbor Improvement Program manager, Matthew Burns. Motion passed 5-0.**

**Anne Dillon House Bid**

Bill Boardman and Linda Gillies were representing the Anne Dillon House Committee. The original deadline for the bids was extended; received 1 bid. Chair A. Gillies opened a bid from Andy Staples, Carpenter for Hire for the amount of \$471, 560, stating construction could start in August of 2020. Bill Boardman states this is over the amount they have available with a start date later than requested; the committee recommends not accepting the bid. They will start looking at a Modular home that would be locally built and should come back less than the bid. Bill will contact Robert Luxembourg.

**MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by G. Pendleton, to not accept bid from Andy Staples Carpenter for Hire for the amount of \$471,560.00. Motion passed 5-0.**

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by P. Seymour, to go back into order. Motion passed 5-0**

**Ferry Rate Update:**

G. Pendleton reports that the new rates have gone into effect; they have gone down except for trucking which has gone up. There is a hearing on the 30<sup>th</sup> but the lawsuit is pretty much a moot point as the state has now done things the way it should have been done in the first place. There will be another meeting with the judge to approve the settlement and sign documents. There is a Ferry Advisory Board Meeting October 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss the annual recommendations from the FAB to the MSFS and to discuss parking rates/spots. Arch says he has had inquiries from residents on if they can be refunded for the tickets they purchased during Tariff 8. This was not part of the negotiations and if commuters want to try they would have to address the MSFS office in Rockland. Janet states that we will pretty much break even with the Ferry Fund after the final hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by G. Pendleton, to move into Public Hearing to approve Automobile Junkyard permit for Clifford Houle d/b/a M&M Junk. Motion passed 5-0.**

Nothing has changed from previous application; waiting on Bill Boardman's report.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by S. Conover, to approve permit from Clifford Houle for an automobile junkyard. Motion passed 5-0**

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by L. Bruce, to move into Public Hearing for General Assistance. Motion passed 5-0.**

Town is reimbursed 50% from the state for any money paid out for General Assistance; the Town budgets for it.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by S. Conover, to accept the Annual General Assistance Ordinance as written. Motion passed 5-0.**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

1. Planning Board October 7, 2019
2. Town Information Meeting October 8, 2019 6PM @ GHK. RE: Islesboro economic Sustainability Corp.

## **TOWN MANAGER REPORT:**

The following items were distributed, and/or discussed and reviewed.

1. Scanned items to Select Board:

Select Board Agenda 10/2/2019

Minutes of 9/18/19 SB Regular Meeting

Minutes of 9/3/19 School Committee Meeting

Minutes of 9/18/19 Recreation Committee Meeting

Notes from 9/18/19 Working Session with Roger Heinen and Tom Tutor on "Economic Sustainability Corp"

Email of 9/19/19 from William Pulver RE: MSFS Rulemaking

Notice for 10/8 Info Meeting at GHK with Roger Heinen and Tom Tutor on "Economic Sustainability Corporation"

OLD BUSINESS

9/24 Handout from Ken Smith, Harbor Comm chair on Pripet Wharf Project

Taxi Request Update.

NEW BUSINESS

Anne Dillon House – award work to selected bidder

Request to increase Municipal Agent fees for Motor Vehicle renewals and new registrations

2. Handed out 10/2/19

Updated Committee listing

Pesticide Safety Islesboro: Memo dated 10/2/19 to TM & Minutes from 9/30, 9/16, & 4/3/19

Appointments Listing

3. Paving is complete, next meeting will have a complete report on expenses, rough estimate of \$380,000 including ferry fares; under budget.

4. Revision is planning a Solar Celebration with the school children at ICS on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.

OLD BUSINESS

RE: Taxi service: Letter from Town Attorney stating the town does not currently have the ability to regulate the activity. Janet will send a letter to Ms. Van Etten.

NEW BUSINESS

Letter from Bureau of Motor Vehicles: New law allows municipalities to increase agent fees for reregistration from \$3.00 to \$5.00 and new registrations from \$4.00 to \$6.00.

This goes into the general fund.

**MOTION BY P Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to raise agent fees. Motion passed 5-0.**

Linda Gillies from the Pesticide Safety Islesboro Committee, requesting to expand 3 additional members and to become an independent committee. It made sense originally to be a subcommittee of the Tick Borne Disease Prevention committee; but now it is important to be their own committee.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by S. Conover to accept the Pesticides Safety Islesboro Committee as a stand-alone committee. Motion passed 5-0.**

**WARRANT #7 – FY 20**

**MOTION BY S. Conover, seconded by P. Seymour to accept Warrant #7-fy20 in the amount of \$549,218.07. Motion passed 5-0.**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Lauren Bruce is Ex-Officio of the Pesticides Safety Islesboro Committee.  
Janet needs an Ex-Officio of the Cemetery and Lighthouse Committees.  
Board of Appeals has 2 openings.  
Planning Board has 1 opening.

**SELECT BOARD COMMENTS:**

**Arch Gillies** received a phone call from Sidney Bock from Northport RE: The Nordic Aquafarm. He feels that adverse effects on the bay will affect property values on the island. Arch told him he should reach out to Steve Miller at IIT as he is very versed on issues dealing with Penobscot Bay. Arch will reach out to Mr. Block and tell him he should attend a Select Board meeting to state his case.

**Gabe Pendleton** to have electric car charging stations at the ferry. He feels that more commuters will be getting electric cars and it would be helpful to be able to charge their cars while parked overnight. Janet will urge the Energy Committee to come up with a proposal.

**Shey Conover** went to a conference on Seal Level Rising. She came away with a list of resources. We have a narrow focus with two areas of concern. It would be helpful to have an adhoc committee to look at ways to help plan and get info out to help support insurance rates, etc. She has a draft list of potential members to approach to be on the committee. Arch says to go ahead and do it.

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tina Pendleton