Town Of Islesboro

<u>Board of Selectmen- Regular Meeting</u>

December 16, 2015

6:15 PM, Town Office Meeting Room

# **MINUTES**

Members Present: Chair Arch Gillies, Sandy Oliver, Gabe Pendleton, and Jay Zlotkowski

Excused: Hanna Kerr

Others Present: Janet Anderson-Town Manager, Terry Cowan, Gil Rivera.

Chair Gillies called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM, and a quorum was established. MOTION by S. Oliver, seconded by J. Zlotkowski to approve the minutes of December 2, 2015 as written. The motion passed 4-0.

## **VISITOR'S PETITIONS:**

NONE

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Planning Board Meeting December 21, 2015.

#### TOWN MANAGER REPORT:

The following items were distributed, and/or discussed & reviewed:

- Minutes of the 11/10/15 School Committee Meeting.
- Minutes of the 12/2/15 Pollution Control Committee. There are two new users being added to the system: Catherine Auchincloss and Andy Staples with a possible third user, Sally McDonough, who has expressed interest.
- Minutes of the 12/9/15 DRC Meeting
- November Expense and Revenue Reports
- Janet informed the BOS that she would be letting the Town Employees leave at noon on December 24<sup>th</sup>, but that she will be in the office until 3 PM.
- Mandatory Training on "Accountability" was held on December 10 at 4:30 P.M., followed by training for supervisors entitled "Difficult Conversations" at 6:00 PM.
- The Energy Audit will cost the Town \$600 for the Town Office and Library which is being done by Home Energy Answers, Keith McPherson of Albion.
- Janet reported that Bob Achorn built a stantion for the float at Moseley's Dock primarily for safety reasons during the cold months when ice forms on the float as there is now a family at Seal Island that uses the float when commuting to school, etc. The outer float has been removed for repairs. Gabe said that he spoke to Melissa Jagger, the lady who caretakes on Seal Island with her husband, and she said that there is a spare float in Crow Cove owned by the Leuschens that she thought could possibly be used if necessary.
- Janet reported that Paul Grindle is about half way done with the boat ramp at Moseleys.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

## Set January Winter Information/Pot Luck Date

It was decided to keep the date of January 21, 2016 at 5 PM for the Winter Information Meeting with the Pot Luck at 5 PM followed by the meeting at 6 PM. It was also decided to add "Energy Audit" to the list of topics to discuss. The meeting sequence will be that the Hunting/MDIF&W will be the last topic discussed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Discussion of Summary of Responses to Date/Request for Comments on Lyme Disease, including Proposal of MDIF&W</u>

A lengthy discussion was had by the Board of Selectmen, as well as discussion and comments from DRC Chair - Gil Rivera, and Terry Cowan. Please refer to the enclosed five page document entitled "Town of Islesboro, Board of Selectmen - A Summary of Responses to the Selectmen's request for Comments to Date" for details on community responses as well as MDIF&W recommendations. The public comment period is until January 15<sup>th</sup>, but a summary and outline that is proposed to be used for creating Special Town Meeting warrant articles will be put together by Gabe Pendleton beforehand and reviewed and discussed at the December 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. Additional comments will be reviewed and considered as they come in.

There was also a handout entitled "Schedule for Review of a proposed Public Health Program Town of Islesboro". This handout outlines the deadlines for reviewing incoming comments, devising a summary of same, writing of Special Town Meeting articles, posting of meetings and Special Town Meeting, etc. Although it was felt that these deadlines are being "rushed", it is necessary to meet these deadlines if the town decides to ask the State Legislature to rescind State Statute 482 in favor of a regular State hunting season based on the provisions of the Islesboro Public Health Program as outlined in the MDIF&W's recommendation. After revisiting the schedule, A. Gillies, in an attempt to allow for more time, asked Janet to see if February 10<sup>th</sup> rather than Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> would work for a Special Town Meeting.

Concerns/comments expressed by Gil Rivera, DRC Chair:

- ♦ Hunters believe the deer population is way down despite the Stantec Count, "they are just not seeing them".
- ♦ As 90% of DRC do not believe the Stantec Count, they want a camera survey.
- Gil questions the current role of the DRC as the BOS have indicated that they are going to be writing the articles for the Special Town Meeting.
- Gil wonders if there is a way to have a hunting ordinance on Islesboro and bypass the State.

Concerns/comments expressed by Terry Cowan:

- ♦ Wants to be sure the "goal post" is not being moved from getting the deer down to 10 per square mile to 10 *or fewer* per square mile.
- ♦ He thinks the BOS should define the level of seriousness of Lyme Disease as he feels it may not be any worse than other communities or counties. He fears that other communities may not be keeping track and reporting their figures to the CDC as thoroughly as Islesboro.

## **APPROVE WARRANT # FY16-13**

MOTION by G. Pendleton to approve Warrant #13 for FY 16 in the amount of \$376,969.21 S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Town Payroll	\$ 46,831.79 (approved by A. Gilles, not added to the total)
Town Payables	\$ 262,083.98
Dark Harbor Wastewater	\$ 8,504.54
Health Center Payables	\$ 7,681.32
School Payroll	\$ 62,775.23
School Payables	\$ 35,924.14
TOWN AND SCHOOL TOTAL:	\$ 376,969.21

## **BOARD COMMENTS:**

S A	Sandy reported that she attended a Cemetery Committee yesterday and that the committee is "on track and industrious" under the direction of Carole Nichter.
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MOTION to adjourn the meeting by G. Pendleton, seconded by J. Zlotkowski. Motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Peggy L. Pike Secretary to the Board of Selectmen

Attachment