Islesboro Select Board Regular Meeting February 20, 2019 @ 6:15 PM **Town Office Meeting Room**





Members Present: Others Present:

Arch Gillies, Sandy Oliver, Hanna Kerr, Gabe Pendleton, Phil Seymour Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Maggy Willcox, Peter Willcox,

Catherine Demchur-Merry

Call to Order:

Arch Gillies called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM, and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve the minutes of February 6, 2019 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS/PETITIONS:

MOTION BY P. SEYMOUR, seconded by H. Kerr, to go out of order. Motion passed 5-0

PUBLIC HEARING:

Victualer Application: Island Made Treats/Demchur-Merry

C. Demchur-Merry provided her license from the State. Catherine will be selling her product at the Art of the Isle Gift shop and at the Farmers' Market this summer. She will seek Planning Board approval if she decides to sell from her home/roadside stand.

MOTION BY G. PENDLETON, seconded by H. Kerr, to approve a Victualer License to Island Made Treats. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by G. Pendleton to go back in order. Motion passed 5-0.

G. Pendleton reports meeting with the MDOT Commissioner, Vickie Doudera and a liaison. He feels it was a good meeting with welcome changes with the new administration. Ferry rates will be completely redone. The Town's lawsuit with the ferry service is still pending. The commissioner is not keen on Vickie Doudera's proposed legislation, would rather handle that with the new Tariff. They will be talking over what to do in the meantime. Gabe's suggestion/hope will be to go back to Tariff 7 while setting new rates.

A. Gillies expressed appreciation to G. Pendleton for spending so much time and energy on this issue.

The board discussed replacing

J. Anderson on the Ferry Advisory Board with G. Pendleton. Gabe feels that his presence at the meetings will hold more weight if he is a board member.

MOTION BY P. SEYMOUR, seconded by H. Kerr, to appoint Gabe Pendleton to complete the term previously held by Janet Anderson. Motion passed 5-0.

A. Gillies has concerns that other islands may be upset with Islesboro for "making a fuss". We need to have solidarity between the islands. G. Pendleton will make a point to this effect at the next Ferry Advisory Board meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Winter Info Meeting will be February 21, 2019 at 5:30 PM @ GHK.

Planning Board meeting will take place on February 25, 2019 at 6:15 PM.

FY Budget Calendar was distributed and will be sent out to the public via email and Facebook.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

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

- 1. Gabe, Stan Makara and Janet will be on a committee with the Lincolnville Select Board RE: harbor issues.
- 2. Email from Mark Higgins. Peter Willcox explained azimuthing (propellers that can rotate in any position making it possible for a boat to move forward and back with one propeller). Peter also stated he was not completely in favor of azimuthing or hybrid diesel/electric engines; he feels they are too expensive. G. Pendleton mentioned that the state may want to wait on the ferry pen improvements until they have locked in on a new ferry size. He and Peter Willcox will meet to discuss penning a letter to the MDOT to that effect.

3. The 12th Annual Islesboro EMS Potluck Banquet and Awards Ceremony will be held March 13, 2019 at 6 PM at the Fellowship Hall. A. Gillies will be attending.

4. School Committee Minutes from February 6 & 8, 2019 were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. <u>Ransom Report.</u> Email from Craig Morin agreeing with the report from Ransom. Janet has contacted an engineer to come out and take a look at the narrows. A. Gillies thinks the town needs to spend the money to have 3 problem areas looked at: The narrows, Grindle Point, and Sprague's Beach. There may need to be money put aside in this year's budget for this.
- 2. Winter Info Meeting.
 - G. Pendleton will speak about his meeting with the MDOT Commissioner. Arch will make another private appeal for funds. He thinks it may be time to put money in the budget for the ferry fund to get us through the lawsuit.
 - Chuck Hamm will speak for the school.
 - Dave Petzel will speak for the Energy Committee.
 - Alex Wilbur will give an update on the preschool.
 - Janet will speak about the Ransom Report.

WARRANT#17 - FY 19:

MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by G. Pendleton, to approve Warrant #17-FY 19 in the amount of \$314,875.59. Motion Passed 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS

MOTION BY S. OLIVER, seconded by H. Kerr, to appoint Holly Fields to the Energy Committee. Motion passed 5-0.

SELECT BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Hanna Kerr</u> shares that she will be moving to Portland at the end of the school year. She will be resigning from the Select Board effective at the Annual Town Meeting in April.

<u>Gabe Pendleton</u> would like to thank Hanna for all the work she has done on the Select Board and for her time and work with the preschool.

MOTION BY S. OLIVER, seconded by H. Kerr, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Pendleton Administrative Assistant to the Town Manager