

**Islesboro Select Board
Regular Meeting
May 30, 2018 @ 6:15 PM
Town Office Meeting Room**

MINUTES

Members Present: Archibald Gillies, Sandra Oliver, Gabriel Pendleton, and Hanna Kerr

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Maggy Willcox, Terry Cowan, Craig Olson, Ben Smith, Diana Roberts, Roger Heinen, Fred Porter, Murton Durkee, Phil Seymour, Albert Rolerson, Ryan Gorham, Josh Conover, Oliver Outerbridge, Owen Howell.

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

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by G. Pendleton, to approve the minutes of May 16, 2018 as written. Motion passed 4-0.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Craig Olson - Transfer Station:

He reports that he and Janet spoke with James Dunning of Casella regarding current issues with recycling and was told that the loads have to be "pure" or the whole load can be rejected. The price of recycling is going up from \$37.50 a ton to \$137.50 per ton at the end of the month. Craig feels looking at increasing the demolition costs but leaving the bag fee the same would work out, and he will get numbers together to present at a future date. He recommends that the fees be extracted from the ordinance so that they can be adjusted without an ordinance change. This perhaps can be done at the Special Town Meeting in June. Janet Anderson will look into this.

Roger Heinen - Broadband Update:

Please refer IMB Update May 30, 2018 attached.

450 ONT's online and 405 confirmed and speed tested.

The greatest concern is the problem with the Town's software system, Trio, and the difficulty with prorating fees for customers. Roger met with Cindy Gorham, Tina Pendleton and Janet Anderson about this issue and they recommend a flat invoice of \$180 be sent to everyone regardless of how many months they have been on line which would be a loss to the town of approximately \$17,000.

MOTION BY ARCH GILLIES to accept Roger's Proposal of invoicing \$180. S. Oliver seconded the motion. Discussion: Both Gabe Pendleton and Hanna Kerr would like to see the bills prorated as this was the original plan.

Arch Gillies withdrew the motion. It was decided that Janet Anderson will find someone to do the prorated billing as well as money to have it done.

Oliver Outerbridge - Public Access and Fire Training for 700 Acre Island

1. Public Access: Oliver asked the Select Board if there is public access to 700 Acre Island similar to that on Islesboro with Grindle Point and/or Moseley's. He said currently residents of 700 Acre Island primarily use DHBY facilities and that there is a fee charged for that usage. Janet Anderson said that the assessor has been looking into this and she will also have the Town Road Committee research this.
2. Fire Training and Fire Equipment on 700 Acre Island.
Oliver would like to see if more people can be trained to use the fire equipment, if perhaps there can be drills and if there is more equipment available to be placed on the island. Murton Durkee, Fire Chief, will meet directly with Oliver and discuss options.

MOTION BY GABE PENDLETON, SECONDED BY HANNA KERR TO TAKE THE AGENDA OUT OF ORDER. Motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of Connections to the Mainland for Medical, Law Enforcement and Fire Emergencies

Arch Gillies drafted a statement describing the policy of the Town of Islesboro as being responsible for responding to emergencies and providing a reliable way to connect to the mainland in such emergencies. He outlined the preferred method as ferry transport, second method as the Quicksilver boat service, and third "good samaritans". The Quicksilver contract was referred to in the written policy but not attached. Upon request, the audience was provided with the draft contract (without figures) and informed that current \$500 per year contract would be raised to \$45,000, with additional fees per trip depending on time of day. The current contract of \$500 expires on June 30, 2018.

Discussion:

Josh Conover asked if the Quicksilver would always stay in place and ready for emergencies, and Gabe Pendleton said no, that the Quicksilver would not always be ready in place but for the most part would always be available. Josh pointed out that the time of not being readily available has the potential to increase if there is now money paying captains to be on call and as a result the business looks at offering more runs. Josh asked if raising the amount of each run was a more viable alternative and Gabe said he does not want to charge more for each run. Josh questioned why the Quicksilver is now not a profitable business when he was told by a prior owner of the business that it

was a lucrative business, and wonders why the town has not "looked at the books". Josh said "It may be a business model problem". Josh also expressed his disappointment in the lack of transparency in the beginning stages of negotiating this contract.

Ryan Gorham commented "the ferry has gone up 118 % and now the Quicksilver is going up some 600%".

Fred Porter would like to sit down and talk with Quicksilver about how to cut down on that approximately 10% of the time that the Quicksilver cannot guarantee to be readily available for an emergency.

Owen Howell, PA-C, emphasized the importance of safe and readily available transport during emergencies.

Terry Cowan warned Arch that it is a mistake to state that the town can guarantee, if in an emergency, there would be a way to get off island. He said that there will always be circumstances that will make impossible he said. He also said that perhaps a dollar value be considered for Quicksilver's docking privileges and parking spaces at Grindle Point.

Sandy Oliver would like to look at other options as well, that maybe the town can run it's own emergency boat, or perhaps look at a not-for-profit scenario. She stated "I feel squeamish about signing this contract and paying money to a private business".

MOTION BY H. Kerr to present an article to the Town for entering into a one year contract in the amount of \$45,000 for emergency services provided by Off Island Logistics. S. Oliver seconded the motion.

Discussion: Gabe Pendleton, owner of Off Island Logistics, feels that the town's people do not have to have the details of the contract at Town Meeting, but can vote on a draft as long as the dollar amount is provided.

Motion passed 3 yes, 1 abstain (Gabe Pendleton).

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by G. Pendleton, to return to the original order of the agenda. Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR VICTUALERS

MOTION by S. Oliver to go into Public Hearing, seconded by H. Kerr. Motion passed 4-0.

Discussion: Janet Anderson reported that all applications are complete except for liquor license from Blue Water Bakery which they will submit later on.

MOTION by H. Kerr to go out of Public Hearing. G. Pendleton seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

MOTION BY G. Pendleton to renew all Victualer Renewals as presented for the Dark Harbor Shop, Durkee's Store, Island Market, Islesboro Community Center, Blue Water Goods, The Abbey, Tarrantine Club of Dark Harbor and Sandcastle Grille. H. Kerr seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Planning Board Meeting scheduled for June 4, 2018 has been cancelled.
2. Primary/Referendum June 12
3. Special Town Meeting June 27

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

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

1. Copy of 5/16/18 letter to Commissioner Bernhardt from the Rockport Select Board
2. Copy of 5/17/18 letter to Mary Costigan, Esq., Bernstein Shur from Jim Billings, MDOT Chief Counsel.
3. Copy of 5/18/18 letter to Commissioner Bernhardt from the Lincolnville Select Board.
4. Thank you letters to Owen Casas, Town of Lincolnville, and Town of Rockport, thanking them for their support in writing letters and articles on behalf of Islesboro. The Board members signed these letters and Janet will mail them.
5. Janet reported that the Tennis Courts are paved and will be striped in a couple of weeks.
6. Janet told the Board that she would not be at the next Select Board meeting on June 13, 2018.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Policy on Treasurer's Disbursement Warrants for Employee Wages
MOTION by S. Oliver to approve the Annual Policy on Treasurer's Disbursement Warrants for Employee wages with the Chair and Vice Chair both designated as authorized to sign the warrants. H. Kerr seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
2. Waldo County Emergency Medical Services Mutual Aid Agreement
MOTION by H. Kerr to approve and sign the Waldo County Emergency Medical Service Mutual Aid Agreement. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

WARRANT #24 - FY 18

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by S. Oliver, to approve Warrant FY 24-18 in the amount of \$318,885.34. Motion passed 4-0.

Town Payroll	\$ 38,904.38 (Not included in bottom total)
Town Payables	\$177,136.94
Health Center	\$ 6,161.10
Dark Harbor Wastewater	\$ 123.38
Islesboro Municipal Broadband	\$ 26,222.57
School Payroll	\$ 58,234.77
School Warrant	\$ 51,006.58
Town Total	\$318,885.34

CHAIR AND MEMBER COMMENTS:

Arch Gillies said that the Comprehensive Plan has been reviewed at the State Level and there remains a few more items to amend including text that refers to the Protection District Map. Tom Tutor has invested a lot of time into this project and the Board wished to make the following resolution thanking him:

MOTION BY H. Kerr to write a resolution to Tom Tutor thanking him for his work on the Comprehensive Plan. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Sandy Oliver expressed her disappointment in all the “Contract Stuff” and likes the Good Samaritan way of doing things.

Gabe Pendleton said that he would like to see more people get involved in the Town.

Hanna Kerr agreed with Gabe that she would like to see more volunteerism and wonders what can be done to encourage this.

MOTION BY A. Gillies, seconded by G. Pendleton, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike
Secretary to the Islesboro Board of Selectmen
Attachment