

Islesboro Select Board  
Regular Meeting via Zoom  
Thursday, July 8, 2021 @ 5:30 PM

**MINUTES**

**Members Present via Zoom:**

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

**Others Present via Zoom:**

Town Manager Janet Anderson, Jim Mitchell, Isabel Jackson, Yvette Reid.

By Zoom: Janice Leach, Matt Kraskiewicz, Roger Heinen, Maggy Willcox, Steve Miller, Jesse Burns, Fred Porter, Jennifer West

Call to Order: Chair Pendleton called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM and a quorum was established.

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the minutes of June 24, 2021.**

**Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

**MOTION made and seconded to take the meeting out of order. Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

**CLOSING OF GRINDLE POINT LIGHTHOUSE TOWER to the public.**

Jim Mitchell, chair for the Grindle Point Lighthouse Committee, spoke about the condition of the tower with peeling paint and breaking of the bricks in some places where the metal stairs are joined into the brick. There are no railings. There are concerns about exposure to lead paint. It is just not safe. It is time to get someone in to do an inspection and see what repairs can be done and get an estimate on the cost. Jim is working to get the committee together for a meeting and would like to hold the meeting at the museum.

**DISCUSS LD 32 “REMOTE PUBLIC MEETINGS”**

Discussion was held on the Select Board adopting an ordinance to allow members to attend meetings remotely. Considerations need to be made on whether the public would be able to participate in the meeting rather than just observe. Once the Select Board adopts the ordinance, then other committees can review it and use the same ordinance after making appropriate changes for their committee. This will go to a Public Hearing at the next Select Board meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **DISCUSS PROPOSED DEED FROM ISLESBORO ISLANDS TRUST TO TOWN OF ISLESBORO FOR BIG TREE BEACH.**

This was specifically approved by the voters at the last Referendum. Steve Miller has provided a draft of a deed. The deed does state that the premises should be used only for passive recreational, educational, and conservation purposes. There are some prohibitions about no residential structures. IIT would like first refusal if the Town decides to sell the property.

**MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by M. Burns, to approve this deed conveying Big Tree Beach to the Town. Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

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

## **FERRY UPDATE**

There was a finance subcommittee meeting July 7th in which they recommended the advisory board pass a resolution urging the Maine State Ferry Service to seek funding in the infrastructure bill, to specifically include islands in the design of new boats and to consider staffing and costs and the speed of the vessels for particular locations so that further away islands might have more trips which would allow for more revenue.

## **SEAL LEVEL RISE**

Shey and Lauren have been working to get the committee back together with the goal of having one meeting this summer and then hitting the ground running this fall.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- Planning Board: July 19, 2021
- Harbor Committee: July 15, 2021

## **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

### **Scanned Items:**

- Agenda 7\8
- Minutes 6/24/21
- Next step for Covid Crisis Team
- Discuss LD 32 "Remote Public Meetings"
- Proposed Deed: IIT to Town/Big Tree Beach
- Closing Tower at Grindle Point Lighthouse
- Warrant #26a & Recap
- Warrant #1 FY22
- Listing of Committee appointments and openings
- Agenda for 7/15/21 Harbor Committee Mtg
- Flyer from Pesticide Safety on "Browntail Moth & Caterpillar"

**Handed out:**

- June 30 Bar Harbor sub-accounting statement
- Listing of dirt roads to be sprayed
- 6/25 Road Summary from Paul Brown

Odesser Schoppe was hired as Medical Assistant for the Health Center on July 1<sup>st</sup>. She has been training someone to cover for her when she is not in the office. She is taking online courses at this time.

Innovative Surface Solutions will be coming out on July 20<sup>th</sup> to spray Calcium Chloride on 7 dirt roads: Bluff Road, Church Turn, Oregon Road, Billy Shore Drive, Heald Road, Rebel Hill, East Shore Drive, Babbidge Road, and Golf Club Road for a total of 5.5 miles of road. This will cost will be \$12,000 - \$14,000.00. This is a test year for us and we will see if it makes a difference.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- An email from Kizzi Barton has been passed along to John King to share with the Ferry Advisory board re: Priority in line for a sick pet.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Next steps for the Covid Crisis Committee. Roger Heinen thinks that the Covid Crisis Committee can be disbanded as all Covid measures have been lifted and everything is in place. The Health Center and Public Safety can handle any new cases that might happen.
2. Opioid Crisis: There was a good turnout at the informational meeting. The town is working with the Health Center in hiring someone to fill a role as liaison to Kate Dowd for the Opiate crisis.

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by L. Bruce, to disband the current COVID Crisis Committee. Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Open Bids for sale of Rescue Boat:
  - a. Earl Grindle - \$601.00
  - b. Stan Makara - \$2,324.00
  - c. Arif Shaikh - \$4,000.00
  - d. Josh Linscott - \$1,800.00
  - e. Matt Kraskiewicz - \$4,100.00

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by S. Conover, to award the bid for the Rescue Boat to Matt Kraskiewicz for \$4,100.00. Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

**APPROVE WARRANT: FY21 - FY21 - #26A & FY22 #1**

**MOTION BY S. Conover, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve Warrant FY21 #26A in the amount of \$29,193.42 & FY22 #1 in the amount of \$165,696.62. Roll Call: 5 yes, 0 no.**

**MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to accept the slate of appointments. Roll Call: Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.**

**CHAIR COMMENTS**

It was good to see everybody. First meeting in a while, Arch was here with us at the last meeting.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton to adjourn the meeting.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:54 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Tina Pendleton  
Administrative Assistant**