

**Islesboro Select Board
Regular Meeting
September 3, 2020 @ 5:30 PM
Town Office Meeting Room
MINUTES**

Members Present in person:

Chair Gabe Pendleton, Vice Chair Shey Conover, Arch Gillies, Lauren Bruce and Phil Seymour

Others Present in person:

Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Michael Hutcherson, Linda Wentworth FNP-C

Others Present via Dial-in/Teleconference or Zoom

Beth O'Mara, Dorie Henning, Maggy Willcox, Roger Heinen.

Call to Order: Chair Pendleton called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by S. Conover, to approve the minutes of August 20, 2020 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

ISLESBORO Public Health Update on COVID-19 Surveillance Testing :

Linda Wentworth, FNP-C, reported that Islesboro is averaging 50 tests per week while staying within the budgeted staff hours. Waldo EMA continues to provide supplies for testing, and the Health and Environmental Testing Lab will process as many specimens as are sent. Residents continue to call and request tests for either travel or return to school. Islesboro has accommodated by enrolling people in the testing program for just that week or a couple of weeks leading up to their departure or after their return. This is helping to reach parts of the community that would otherwise not be tested. Total volunteer participants have reached 115. Islesboro will continue to prioritize healthcare workers, first responders, teachers, those who work with the public and "lifeline" workers.

Dorie Henning said that she is encouraging teachers, as well as students, to be tested, however testing is not required by the school at this point. She said the Islesboro Health Center will work with and support the school in any way possible during its reopening.

UPCOMING MEETS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Board Meeting September 14, 2020 at 5 PM.
CRISIS Committee September 16, 2020 at 2 PM
Results of 8/25/20 Annual Town Meeting Referendum

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Scanned Items:

Select Board agenda 9/3/2020

Select Board Minutes 8/20/2020

Islesboro 2020 Municipal Tax Rate Calculation Sheet from Vern Ziegler

Warrant #5-FY 21 and Warrant Recap 9/2/2020

Other Items:

Janet Anderson asked the Select Board if they would like to change a couple of meeting dates in November and December. It was decided to move the November 25th date to November 24th, and the December 24th date to December 22nd, both at 5:30 PM.

Email from Tom Tutor regarding the Grant application for the sidewalk project. He said he would like to “shelf” this for now, and a consider a revised plan.

OLD BUSINESS

1. ReVision Energy Regarding Service Upgrade Cost of Transfer Station Solar
Janet Anderson recommended that this expense not come out of the Energy Committee budget but rather be paid for with money from the contingency fund. She said she decided not to ask the Energy Committee.

MOTION by S. Conover, seconded by P. Seymour, to pay for the service upgrade for the Transfer Station Solar System with funds from the contingency fund. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Finalize Select Board Meeting dates through the end of December 2020.
Please refer to discussion under Town Manager’s Report.

WARRANT FY 21 #5

MOTION BY Shey Conover, seconded by Phil Seymour, to approve Warrant FY 21 #5 in the amount of \$146, 540.11. Motion passed 5-0.

SELECT BOARD COMMENTS:

Arch Gillies commented on the project underway by John Kauer on Bluff Road. He is building six eco-friendly homes using solar panels and using hemp products for insulation.

Arch also commented on the job of forest cleanup at the school by Trevor Dakers of Maine Land Solutions, LLC. He said the equipment that he uses is amazing, the area looks great, the kids can now go through the woods to get to the orchard instead of walking on the road and it is environmentally positive with chipping of the wood. He hopes that more people on the island will hire him and continue to help clear the island of blow downs. He also feels the town should continue to work on its own properties.

There were no other comments from Board members.

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FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MINUTES, PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED MINUTES DONE BY JANET ANDERSON.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike

Secretary to the Islesboro Select Board

