

Town Of Islesboro
Board of Selectmen- Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 2, 2013
@ 6:15 PM
Town Office Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members present: Chair Craig Olson, Sandra Oliver, Susan Schnur , Jay. T. Zlotkowski, Arch Gillies.

Others Present: Janet Anderson- Town Manager, David Paul, Pam Grindle, William Boardman - CEO, Steve Miller, Craig Delaney

MOTION by S. Schnur to approve the minutes of December 19, 2012 as corrected. A. Gillies seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION by S. Schnur to reopen the Public Hearing to consider the application of David Paul and Pamela Grindle to establish an Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard. A. Gillies seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

The BOS have received both a letter from the Groundwater Protection Committee (see attached letter), as well as a letter dated 1/2/13 from Bryant Richardson, Esq, representative for abutter Paul Kazilionis (see attached letter).

Steve Miller was present at the meeting to speak for the Groundwater Committee. The Groundwater Protection Committee met on December 28 to discuss this application. They unanimously agreed that there are no obvious threats to Islesboro groundwater posed by the proposed junkyard if all regulations governing salvage yards are followed. Mr. Miller did point out that on Page 3 of the letter the GW Committee has put forth recommendations for improvement to the local junkyard regulations. As it stands now, the Town ordinance basically states that it will follow the state statute with nothing more restrictive in place.

S. Schnur commented that she would like language adopted that would allow the Planning Board to first approve an application for a junkyard before it is reviewed by the BOS.

W. Boardman said that each year an applicant has to apply for a new junkyard license, there is no grandfathering for automobile graveyards.

A. Gillies voiced his concern that the BOS should notify abutters as much as possible regarding the process and the status of this application, as well as other matters as they come forward. Both Craig Olson and Sue Schnur felt that the BOS were not responsible for keeping abutters informed. Craig Olson does feel, however, that because there is a written request for information from abutter Paul Kazilionis, that they should table the Public Hearing for one more meeting to allow time for the abutter to obtain a copy of the GW Committee's letter. Janet Anderson will e-mail or mail the letter to Bryant Richardson, Esq., as well as Toby Martin.

A. Gillies and S. Oliver questioned the impact this project would have on abutter's land value. A. Gillies pointed out that there is no zoning here on island and it is concerning to approve a junkyard surrounded by residential lots. It was then pointed out that the auto graveyard will be greater than 700 feet from Mr. Kazilionis's property. C. Olson said the site is quite far back in the middle of the woods where no one would see it.

Pam Grindle said that she too is concerned about protecting the groundwater and that is one of the reasons for the junkyard. She sees this venture as a way to protect island property.

J. Anderson said that when she writes back to Mr. Bryant, she will point out that there was another junkyard in the vicinity, that of Robert Leach's. B. Boardman said that R. Leach is not reapplying for a auto junkyard at this time, and that J. Anderson has asked him to be sure that Mr. Leach removes vehicles as necessary.

MOTION by S. Schnur to recess the hearing until the next BOS meeting on January 16, 2013. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

MOTION by A. Gillies to send to all abutters copies of correspondence received up to this date. There was no second. Motion did not carry.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning Board Meeting on January 7, 2012

VISITORS COMMENTS AND PETITIONS

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) There is a staff meeting scheduled for 1/9/2013 @ 8:30 AM.
- 2) J. Anderson has been in contact with most of the Airport Committee members and is trying to get them together for a meeting in January.
- 3) Murt Durkee reported a house fire at the Coronado residence on Tehan Lane on 12/26/12. The incident went very well. There were no injuries to either firefighters or residents.
- 4) Grindle Point incline was damaged during a recent wind storm, and it is now fixed thanks to PYY.
- 5) Year-to-date summary of revenues and expenses were presented to the BOS.
- 6) J. Anderson asked the BOS where the money for the sale of the generator should go in the budget. They asked her to look at the capital accounts and report back at the next meeting.
- 7) P. Clason is drafting a letter from the BOS to Fairpoint regarding internet issues. C. Olson is hoping that the draft letter can be reviewed by the BOS via e-mail and then approved at the next meeting. He also recommended that the town attorney review the letter as well.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) DRC Committee Minutes of 12/6/12, Reviewed.
- 2) DRC Agenda 1/3/2013 Reviewed.
Discussion: It was thought that there were approximately 47 deer killed during the Special Hunt. J. Anderson estimated the cost of the permits to be \$2500, which will come out of the DRC budget.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **“Islesboro Moving Ahead”** - A. Gillies has reviewed this document, as he said the BOS were to look at it each year and make any changes or recommendations, and it has been a year now. He felt that there were no changes that needed to be made at this time. S. Oliver said that she would like language added regarding preservation of public access to the water.

MOTION by S. Schnur to add language to the list on Page 3 that says “Public Rights of Way to Water”. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

MOTION by S. Schnur to renew “Islesboro Looking Ahead” as amended for the next year. J. T. Zlotkowski seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

- 2) **Management of Committees:** J. Anderson distributed an updated list of Town Committees. A. Gillies recommended that the BOS be active in the oversight of the Town Committees, make sure the Chair is active and functioning well, find out who on the committee can be a contact for the website, find out what their mission statement is, find out what their meeting schedule is and develop one if there is none, and schedule a meeting twice a year with the committee Chairs (Vice-Chairs if Chair is not available). He also discussed ideas about new committees, such as a Public Safety Committee, a Recreation Committee and a Long Term Capital Planning Committee. J. Anderson will come back with a recommendation on the composition of a Public Safety Committee. C. Olson said that he didn’t think there needed to be a committee on Capital Planning at this time, and that the Town Manager and the Budget Committee might be adequate for now. J. Anderson again mentioned that she is busy working on getting the Airport Committee together at this time. It was also thought that language could be put in the Selectmen’s Policies regarding the handling or oversight of Town Committees by the BOS.

3) **Board of Selectmen Goals**

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| Craig Olson | 1) | He wishes that the Town could have a planning document that ties together personnel, capital and long range budget needs. |
| Sue Schnur | 1) | Figure out if the town’s people want the town to grow or not. |
| | 2) | Find out if the underwater electricity cable can be utilized for supplying cable TV to the island, and if so, would this allow more competition between internet suppliers? J. Anderson will contact Marc Schnur regarding this as this was his idea. |
| | 3) | Figure out why people on the side roads and the middle of the island can’t get DSL. |
| | 4) | Work more closely with the preschool. |
| | 5) | Work on parking areas in Dark Harbor and the village center |
| Sandy Oliver | 1) | Would like to have job descriptions of all town employees |
| | 2) | Find a way to improve communication between the BOS and the people of the town. |
| | 3) | Pay attention to the food sovereignty laws, as this may be beneficial to Islesboro as an island community. |
| J. T. Zlotkowski | 1) | Continue moving forward on renovating the second floor of the town office building, creating offices and sleeping quarters. |
| A. Gillies | 1) | Interested in town centers, parking safety. |
| | 2) | LPG - Waiting for the Good Harbor Study. |
| | 3) | Fire hazard with blow downs - how to address this. |

WARRANT

MOTION by S. Schnur to approve Warrant #14 in the amount of \$119,729.29. A. Gillies seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Town Payroll	\$	33,776.49
Town Payables	\$	19,401.68
Health Center Payables	\$	1,246.18
Dark Harbor Wastewater	\$	171.37
School Payroll	\$	42,975.43
School Payables	\$	23,575.69

Total:\$ 119,729.29

MOTION by S. Schnur to adjourn the meeting. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike
Secretary to the Islesboro Board of Selectmen