

**Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting  
February 27, 2013  
Town Office Meeting Room**

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Approved  
3/13/27

MINUTES

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

Others Present: Town Manager Janet Anderson, Steve Miller

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM and a quorum was established.

MOTION by S. Schnur, seconded by J. T. Zlotkowski to approve the minutes as written of February 13, 2013. Motion carried 3- yes. 2 Abstain (C. Olson and Arch Gillies abstained because they were not at 2/13/13 meeting).

VISITOR'S COMMENTS AND PETITIONS

LPG Update by Steve Miller: S. Miller handed out both a recent article in the NY Times dated 2/22/13 regarding the proposal for the LPG tank in Searsport, as well as a letter from Richard Clark of Good Harbor to Mr. J. Bruce Probert, Chairman of the Searsport Planning Board, summarizing Good Harbor's report.

S. Miller outlined the series of events and time table to date regarding the application process, as well as the information that has been learned and what questions have been answered. He states that this process has made everyone aware what would happen if an accident were to occur; that the regulations governing LPG vs. LNG are different; that the depth of the water in Searsport Harbor would not allow safe entry by the larger vessels into the harbor; that the Coast Guard admits they have no capability to respond to an emergency; that there is no financial assistance being offered from the applicant to help increase safety measures including training, etc. and that any town involved with supplying mutual aid would have to bear the brunt financially for increasing their EMS program; that compelling evidence has been offered outlining the potential for decrease in property values in the vicinity of the proposed tank; and finally that this type of project will have a negative impact on the regional economy.

S. Miller feels there has been enough information offered to deny the permit. The Searsport Planning Board will begin deliberations on March 27 with a decision most likely by April 11. There is still a small window of opportunity to offer new testimony. Once the decision is made, any party interested would have 30 days in which to file an appeal.

S. Miller asked the Board of Selectmen if they would consider writing another letter to the congressional delegation requesting them to ask the Army Corps to withdraw the Environmental Assessment. He feels that the EA was flawed, and that it should be withdrawn in light of new information and testimony which has come forth. He would like the letter to request Army Corps to an Environmental Impact Study.

It was decided that a letter be sent directly from the Selectmen to Army Corps. A letter will also be sent to the congressional delegation which will simply be a cover letter with the letter to the Army Corps included. A copy of these letters should also be sent to other interested parties, namely the towns. The BOS will review and sign these letters at the next BOS meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning Board on March 11 @ 6:15 PM

BOS Budget Workshops March 6, 13, 20, & 27 @ 5:00 PM

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

- 1) P. Clason has worked on the network at the Town Office Building and will be installing a few more hubs as there were “holes” with poor reception in certain areas of the Health Center. He will then begin work on the server. After the server is done, there will be an assessment of what new equipment if needed.
- 2) Maggy Wilcox (formerly Maggy Aston) notified Janet they she does not feel she can continue attending the Ferry Advisory Board meetings. J. Anderson will now attend them, and may even use the option of “calling in” to attend. For now, Maggy will remain an alternate keeping in mind that the BOS would like to find someone who would be interested in attending the meetings.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1) Letter written on behalf of the BOS by Page Clason to ConnectME dated 2/13/13
- 2) Minutes of the DRC Meeting of 2/7/13
- 3) Minutes of 11/8/12 “Strategic Plan Community Meeting” held by Rob Schneider of Island Institute,
- 4) Letter from the Beacon Project informing the Town (an abutter) that they are applying to the Planning Board to build a 2 bedroom addition to the Boardman Cottage.
- 5) January 2013 Monthly Fire Department Report
- 6) Minutes of the MSFS Advisory Board Meeting of 3/7/13
- 7) Peoples United Bank - first Capital Reserves sub-accounting spreadsheet for January 2013
- 8) March Budget Calendar

*MOTION BY SUE SCHNUR TO TAKE THE AGENDA OUT OF ORDER TO TAKE UP THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE END OF THE MEETING. ARCH GILLIES SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT PASSED 5-0.*

**OLD BUSINESS**

S. Oliver reminded the BOS that there was a discussion awhile back regarding the possible establishment of a Public Safety Advisory Committee, and she wonders where they are with that. J. Anderson said that Marc Schnur is working with Fred Porter on creating a job description, and she advises that this should be in place first, and then proceed with discussion of a new committee. Once the job description is done, the BOS agreed that they would discuss creating a committee, and would decide on the mission and the composition of the committee.

**WARRANT #18**

Motion by S. Schnur to approve Warrant #18 in the amount of \$216,496.43. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Town Payroll	33,392.68
Town Payables	91,535.72
Dark Harbor Wastewater	0.00
Health Center Payables	13,157.08
School Payroll	42,905.54
School Payables	48,662.49
TOTAL	216,496.43

### APPOINTMENTS

MOTION BY S. Schnur to appoint Tina Pendleton as the Freedom of Access Officer. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

### COMMENTS

Sandy Oliver said that she was going to write something for the next edition of Islesboro Island News encouraging people to take out papers if they would like to run for Board Selectmen. The BOS were in agreement with her plan. J. Anderson may also put a reminder in the Town Newsletter.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by S. Schnur to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M. R. S. A. 405 (6) (A) to discuss the Town Manager's annual performance evaluation. J. T. Zlotkowski seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Time into executive session 7:25 PM. Executive session attendance consisted of all BOS and J. Anderson. Motion by S. Schnur to come out of Executive Session at 7:50 P.M. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. The selectmen came out of Executive session at 7:50 PM.

### ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

MOTION BY S. Schnur to adjourn the meeting. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Pike

Secretary to the Islesboro Selectmen