

Town Of Islesboro
Board of Selectmen- Regular Meeting
October 8, 2014 @ 6:15 PM
Town Office Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Chair Arch Gillies, Hanna Kerr, Fred Rollins, Sandra Oliver and Jay Zlotkowski

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Fred Porter, Don Johnson, Gil Rivera, Rachel Smith, Ken Smith, George Durkee, Douglas Welldon, Linda Gillies, Page Clason, Maggy Wilcox, Julie Reidy, Michael Boucher.

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

MOTION by S. Oliver to approve the minutes of September 24, 2014 as corrected. F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

MOTION BY S. Oliver to take the agenda out of order to go to “Old Business”, seconded by F. Rollins, motion passed 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Implications of the 9/30/14 Special Town Meeting Vote on Tick-Borne Disease and Deer Reduction:

A. Gillies wanted to discuss the implications, expectations and responsibilities going forward as a result of the town vote in which the town voted to **not** go ahead with the sharpshooter program, but to continue the third year of the Special Hunt.

Fred Rollins said that moving forward we have to “use all tools in the toolbox”.

Page Clason said that looking at the low numbers of deer taken during the last two hunts, a radical change in strategy should be considered to reach the goal of 10 deer per square mile.

Ken Smith said that the weather has been a major factor in the hunt thus far, and if the weather cooperates this winter, he feels the DRC can solve the problem without increasing taxes.

Tick-Borne Disease Ad-Hoc Committee members Linda Gillies and Doug Welldon said the committee will continue to research tick-borne disease and provide as much information to the citizens of Islesboro as possible. Linda Gillies said “information is what we are all about”. They will continue to work with the Islesboro Health Center with data collection regarding incidences of tick-borne disease on Islesboro. They will also continue to get information out about personal prevention and property care. Derreth Roberts has expressed interest in being on this committee, and she will be contacted regarding same.

DRC Committee is charged with reducing the deer to 10 per square mile. There are three vacancies on the committee, with one vacancy created at this meeting with the resignation of Doug Welldon, who said he has served longer than he expected to. He will, however, remain on the Tick-Borne Disease Ad-Hoc Committee. It was determined that the committee consists of eleven members, with two of the eleven members being alternates. Both Ken Smith and Mike Boucher said they are interested in being on the committee. Bill Tilden, Chairman of the

DRC, said that there is a lot of “grief” that goes along with being on this committee, and that he wants only people on the committee who are focused on the charge of getting the deer down to 10 per square mile. B. Tilden said that all the elements are in place for the upcoming hunt. L. Gillies also said that everything is in place, that the only additional work would be to print new permits.

Don Johnson said that he strongly feels that it would be beneficial to have a count in the fall, as well as the spring, to determine how many deer there are and where they are. Jay Zlotkowski and Gil Rivera also supported this idea. There is money in the budget to cover the cost of the White Buffalo count which is estimated to be \$12,530. Mike Boucher warned that this might not work during hunting season as hunters could be killing baited deer which is illegal. A. Gillies has no objection to the idea of a count in the fall, but said that both White Buffalo and the state will have to be consulted.

MOTION by S. Oliver to return to the original order of the agenda. J. Zlotkowski seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Deer Reduction Committee Meeting October 9th, Town Office
Harbor Committee Meeting October 16, 2014 @ 6 PM, Town Office
Town Centers Meeting October 20 @ 4 PM at the Town Office
Planning Board October 20, 2014, Town Office.
Early Education October 21, 2014 @ 5:30, ICC

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

The following items were distributed, and discussed/ reviewed:

- DRC Minutes of 9/18/14.
- Resignation Letter from Marc Schnur. He is changing residency to Florida and is resigning from the Board of Appeals and Flood Plain Committees. J. Anderson will work on a proper “Thank you” to Marc Schnur who has served the town for numerous years in numerous capacities.
- MMA Convention handout: Forecasting Maine’s Future
- Arsenic Update: The town water supply was tested earlier this summer and was found to have an unsatisfactory arsenic level. B. Boardman will retest the water next Tuesday, and depending on the results, Jay Zlotkowski will work on a plan.
- J. Anderson said that Steve Miller came to her concerned that recent plantings on Billy Shore Road may hinder public access to the beach. J. Anderson will talk to Vern Ziegler, assessor, tomorrow to look at the property lines and to study that area more closely.
- Minutes from the 9/30/14 Special Town Meeting
- Handout of BOS Goals from 7/2013.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 9/17/14 letter from Joe Stone, North Haven Administrator regarding MSFS crew staffing, as well as a proposed parking evaluation for the Rockland ferry terminal.
- 9/26/14 letter from Andrew Dorr, VH Interim Town Manager regarding showing support for the proposed parking lot feasibility study at the Rockland ferry terminal.
- 10/2/14 letter from Steve Crane, President of the United Mid-Coast Charities about the recent embezzlement of funds from the charity.
- DMR update - A map showing areas reclassified from Prohibited to Approved:

- 1) Bob's Point south to Grindle Point
 - 2) Broad cove and the SW portion of Islesboro Harbor
 - 3) Long Ledge Cove
 - Letter dated 10/07/14 from Architect Stephen Blatt regarding Early Education:
 - A. Gillies said that there are several possible sites for an early education facility. He would like the Town to contract with Stephen Blatt to consult and assist the Town in this general programming period with particular help in evaluation of the possible facility sites.
- MOTION BY F. Rollins to approve the proposal of \$5000 for consultant services by Stephen Blatt of Stephen Blatt Architects. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

WARRANT # 8 FY 15

MOTION BY H. Kerr to approve Warrant #7 FY 15 in the amount of \$1,567,330.38.
 J. Zlotkowski seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Town Payroll.....	\$	39,961.57
Town Payables.....	\$	1,210,569.94
School Payroll.....	\$	48,337.76
School Payables.....	\$	259,216.58
Total:	\$	<u>1,567,330.38</u>

COMMENTS

Sandy Oliver: She asked Janet if there had been any research on idling ordinances since the last BOS meeting. Janet said Tina Pendleton had done some research and found one other ordinance. Janet will continue the research and keep Sandy informed.

Sandy pointed out that not only are deer a health risk, they also have an economic impact in that they destroy vegetation, trees, vegetables, etc.

J. Zlotkowski: Jay wanted to know what happened with getting prices for Maddy Dodge field. J. Anderson said that she did have Paul Grindle look at the field and he said that \$40,000 would not even come close to the cost of fixing the field as it is primarily clay, which would all have to be removed. Janet will consult with David Pendleton and Paul Grindle to discuss ideas and possibly other locations for a field.

Fred Rollins: Fred attended several different presentations at the 2014 MMA Convention. He said the key word at the convention was "change". Fred provided a handout to the Board entitled "Forecasting Maine's Future". See handout attached for details. Fred recognized Arch Gillies as a leader who is looking at the future in his efforts with town centers, early education, etc.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Motion by F. Rollins to adjourn the meeting. H. Kerr seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
 The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike
 Secretary to the Board of Selectmen