

**Town of Islesboro
Board of Selectmen - Regular Meeting
May 3, 2017, 6:15 PM
Town Office Meeting Room**

MINUTES

Members Present: Chair Archibald Gillies, Gabriel Pendleton, Hanna Kerr, Jay Zlotkowski and Sandra Oliver

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Page Clason, David Pendleton Margaret Willcox, Toby Martin, Lauren Bruce, Jennifer West, Charles Verrill, Grayson Hartley, Christina Noyes

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

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by S. Oliver, to approve the minutes of April 19, 2017 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by S. Oliver, to approve the minutes of April 28, 2017 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Planning Board Meeting May 8, 2017

Annual Town Meeting May 6, 2017

VISITOR'S COMMENTS AND PETITIONS

Page Clason reported on the outcome of LD1516 (An Act to Encourage Broadband through Private Investment). He said that the committee voted unanimously to withdraw the bill.

Toby Martin spoke to a letter submitted to the BOS dated 5/3/17 regarding sustainable and renewable energy. The letter is from the Islesboro Energy Team, The Community Care Committee and the Islesboro Central School. The letter is in support of the town forming an energy committee and their desire to be involved as active participants. Arch Gillies said that the BOS will pursue the creation of an energy committee following the annual town meeting where there will be a vote to go forward with solar panels for the town office roof.

Grayson Hartley voiced his concern, as he has over the past years, that the town should consider separating the town from the school and holding two town meetings rather than one meeting. He said that undertaking both at one meeting does not give people time enough to voice their concerns and ask questions. He feels that most people do not understand the articles and there is not adequate time for discussion. J. Anderson would like to poll people at the meeting on 5/3/17 to see how they feel about holding two meetings, but Arch Gillies would rather wait and discuss it with the BOS before going any further with the idea. This item will be placed

on the agenda for next meeting.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT:

The following items were distributed, and/or discussed and reviewed:

1. Town Meeting was discussed and who would speak to what issue. Vern Ziegler and Page Clason will answer questions about Broadband. Janet Anderson will try to get someone from ReVision Energy to attend in order to answer any questions regarding ReVision PPA. Janet said she will have handouts on ReVision Energy PPA, Roger Heinen's PowerPoint presentation of 4/27/17 regarding the Islesboro Municipal Broadband project, and the FY 18 Financial Summary.
2. Harbor Committee minutes of 4/27/17. There was no quorum at this meeting so no actions or motions were taken. There may be another meeting before the next regular meeting of July 20, 2017 as the committee is working on ordinance language concerning outhauls.
3. The BOS received a RESOLUTION from the Select Board of Lincolnville in which they resolve to work with Islesboro to create policies and procedures that will benefit both municipalities with the maintenance and use of the Lincolnville Harbor Facility, and to hold regular joint meetings with Islesboro. Arch Gillies said that he will be attending the next Select Board meeting in Lincolnville on May 8th and will report back. Discussions are ongoing regarding the design of a new incline which would accommodate a stretcher and possibly a new float.
4. Notes from the 4/26/17 Sewall/IMB Working Meeting.
5. Copy of the letter dated 4/26/17 from the BOS to Senator Woodsome and Representative Berry regarding LD1516.
6. Janet would like to set a date for Rick Dubois, Director of Multimodal Operations and Dale Doughty, Maintenance and Operations of the Department of Transportation to come out and meet with the Board of Selectmen to discuss possible changes to the ferry rates and parking rates. The BOS agreed on the date of May 26, 2017 at 2:30 PM. Gabe Pendleton was concerned that the public would not be given an opportunity to voice their concerns or ask questions as this was only a meeting for the BOS, but Janet said there would be future meetings/hearings which would afford an opportunity for public input. This item will be put on the agenda for the next meeting for pre-discussion amongst the BOS.
7. April Expense Report. The Revenue Report was not available as Kathy Johnson has to wait for a bank statement which arrives on 5/10/17.
8. Statement from Maine Community Foundation. First Quarter 2017 Health Center Endowment Fund is at \$87,099.00
9. Research is ongoing for the best electronic device to be used by the BOS during meetings to view meeting documents digitally rather than in paper format. The BOS feel they would prefer a screen larger than that of a Kindle. Determination of how this device will be used is also needed, whether it would be used for word processing or not. Janet would like to get this done before June 30, 2017, the end of the budget year. The Internet Policy will have to be amended as well to include the BOS. This item will be placed on the agenda for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Broadband Update:**
Page Clason gave an update of the project at this meeting. There was no executive session or members who called in for this update as was done at previous meetings. He said that a formal proposal with estimated cost should be coming soon from Waveguide regarding the plan to use

microwaves as well as a reliability study. At the same time, CMP is trying to resolve the subsea cable issue but the committee has yet to hear anything back regarding this. Page said this may be an opportune time to consider a press campaign. The option of the town using its own subsea cable continues. The committee will be holding a pre-application meeting with the Department of Environmental Protection. There is no firm cost estimates. Page guesses this could be anywhere between \$600,000 and \$1.2 million.

Regarding the Fairpoint option, Fairpoint is extending a three year solution to the town whereby the town can use part of Fairpoint's cable. Page said he did not have the cost figures for this with him, but thinks it might be a one time fee of \$50,000 and then an annual fee.

Gabe Pendleton and Jay T. Zlotkowski have reservations about entering into a three year agreement with Fairpoint and what might happen at the end of those three years regarding price increase. They would like the committee to pursue a perpetual lease. Page Clason said he would follow up on this with the committee.

Gabe Pendleton also expressed his reservations about continuing to spend money on the project (To date \$1.38 million has been spent out of the \$3,863,000) because he doesn't know what will happen when this goes to another vote at a Special Town Meeting. He emphasized the fact that the town did not vote on the use of microwaves or the other two options, but only on the CMP subsea cable route. Continuing to spend money with this unknown variable is concerning to him. He said people are feeling like they are "being pushed into a corner".

The BOS all agree that before going to a Special Town Meeting, they must have firm figures on all options.

Page Clason said that the GWI Operating Agreement is now done and they are preparing a display of the system for the public which will be put in the Town Office. The POP building design is being changed, along with the fact that they are hoping to use stone rather than loam and seed. Page is preparing an application at this time to go before the Planning Board.

Arch Gillies told Page to convey to the IMB Committee that the BOS are eager to have the backhaul answered, and as soon as that is done a Special Town Meeting will be set.

2. **Report on meeting with Lincolnville BOS regarding Lincolnville Harbor Facilities.**

Gabe Pendleton, Hanna Kerr, Arch Gillies and Janet Anderson attended a BOS meeting in Lincolnville and discussed Islesboro's desire to have a new incline that would be like the one the Town has at Grindle Point which would be wide, without a trap slide, to accommodate a stretcher for EMS transport. Hanna Kerr said that Lincolnville has three inclines all with trap slides and that Islesboro people do not use the trap slides for groceries, and that a design with a folding trap slide "just won't work". She says Islesboro needs to tell them no trap slide is needed or wanted. Janet Anderson was told to contact David Kinney, Lincolnville Town Administrator, and let him know that the BOS met and conclude that an incline five feet in width with no trap slide is what they feel will serve the town best.

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by G. Pendleton to have Janet e-mail Mr. Kinney as above. Motion passed 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS

MOTION by G. Pendleton, seconded by Hannah Kerr to appoint Earl MacKenzie as a regular member to the Harbor Committee. Motion passed 5-0. Tom Daley is no longer a member of the Harbor Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

DHWWTf: Gabe Pendleton asked about the recent work being done to the facility and wanted to know whether new people hooking into the system are required to pay for the work involved in accomplishing this. Janet Anderson said that the work that was done was work the town would have had to do anyway, and noted there is hook-up fee for new people. Janet Anderson will provide the BOS with the report of the work that was done when she receives it. David Pendleton warned the BOS that more long range thought should be given for the future of this system as it was built in 1910.

WARRANT #22 FY 17

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by J. Zlotkowski, to approve Warrant #22 - FY 17, in the amount of \$137,783.37. Motion passed 5-0.

Town Payroll	\$ 38,007.91 (Not included in bottom total)
Town Payables	\$ 39,972.24
Health Center	\$ 16,814.29
Dark Harbor Wastewater	\$ 594.63
Islesboro Municipal Broadband	\$ 20,961.41
School Payroll	\$ 44,336.05
School Warrant	\$ 15,104.75
Town Total	\$ 137,783.37

BOARD COMMENTS:

Gabe Pendleton commented that he heard the 4th of July Parade would not be on the 4th of July this year and questioned whether this was accurate as the 4th of July Parade and BBQ are historically on the 4th of July with the fireworks on another date. Janet Anderson look into this.

MOTION by J. Zlotkowski, seconded by H. Kerr to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike
Secretary to the Islesboro Board of Selectmen

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