

Town Of Islesboro  
**Board of Selectmen- Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, July 17, 2013  
@ 6:15 PM  
Town Office Meeting Room

**MINUTES**

Members present: Chair Arch Gillies, Sandra Oliver, Craig Olson and Fred Rollins.

Absent: Jay T. Zlotkowski

Others Present: Janet Anderson- Town Manager, Heather Knight, Page Clason, Pam Grindle, David Paul, Maggy Wilcox, William Boardman, William Tilden.

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

MOTION by C. Olson to approve the minutes of July 2, 2013 as corrected. F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

MOTION by C. Olson to go into Public Hearing at 6:16 PM to consider the Automobile Junkyard Application of Pamela Grindle and David Paul. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Janet Anderson, Town Manager, reported that Pam Grindle had submitted a new Boundary Survey done by Daniel Small, Rev date June 27, 2013. Bob Gerber, Ransom Engineering, subsequently submitted his plan which plots the proposed location of the junkyard based on the survey done by D. Small. Gerber's plan shows the proposed facility's yard area and the location of the 100' and 300' distances from the proposed facility so that it's location and relationship to the stream, nearby properties, dwellings, wells and the Town Road can be viewed in context.

The next step is to schedule a site review which will be a posted site review, open to the public. Abutters to the property will be notified by the Town of the site review. J. Anderson will contact all interested parties to find a date and time that will work for them.

MOTION by C. Olson to come out of Public Hearing at 6:27 PM. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

MOTION by C. Olson to continue the Public Hearing on July 31 @ 6:15 PM and have Janet set a time and date for a site visit. F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

## **VISITORS COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:**

William Boardman reported on the recent island fuel crisis. It was recently determined that the ferry crews were not licensed to carry fuel or propane on the ferry boat. This caused a rationing of fuel with residents only allowed to purchase a small amount of fuel at a time from the store. PYY discussed options with the Maine Ferry Service. A PYY employee does have the proper credentials for fuel transportation and will be on the ferry for an upcoming fuel run. The ferry crews will be trained and receive the proper credentials on Monday. John Anders, Ferry Service Manager, apologized for this inconvenience to the town.

MOTION BY C. Olson to take the agenda out of order. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Tilson - Update on Proposal for Survey: Tilson has submitted a proposal to undertake a community broadband census to help better understand the current state of broadband availability on Islesboro. Heather Knight, ICS Principal, handed out a paper entitled "Vision" by the Maine Development Foundation, which reports on the state of connectivity in Maine. Connectivity is one of the most important factors for economic growth in the State of Maine.

A. Gillies summarized by saying that

- 1) The BOS want to pursue this vigorously.
- 2) They greatly appreciate Page's efforts in working with Tilson to get this proposal.
- 3) The funding should be available from all sources - private, foundations, public etc to undertake this study.

C. Olson said that although funds may be derived from other sources, that the BOS and the Town have to be the directors of this project. The Town has to organize and get the funds. The BOS will continue discussion on this topic at the July 31<sup>st</sup> meeting.

### DRC - Committee Update

William Tilden, Chair of the DRC, spoke with the BOS, answering various questions regarding the current direction of the DRC. Bill is working with Keel Kemperer and IF & W regarding the process of getting on the agenda and working towards approval of the expanded special deer hunt. Bill is trying to get the cost of the deer licences reduced as well. Another issue he is addressing is the butchering and who will do this if there is an expanded season.

It was determined that the Town will coordinate with the Health Center and the Vector-Borne Disease Lab the scheduling of the tick count, etc. It was also decided that the Town will work directly with the Health Center on securing frequent statistics on Lyme disease cases on Islesboro.

When asked on what he feels the current number of deer are on Islesboro, Bill says he is unsure. He feels the herd is declining and understands that as the deer herd declines, the number of tick bites and Lyme Disease increases for a time. Bill also says that he feels it best not to get hung up over a number of deer as a goal to be taken, as this seemed to be a

source of unnecessary aggravation last year. Measures of Success were reviewed as outlined in the DRC Proposed Plan of 5/12/12.

J. Anderson will get a report from Fred Porter as to the number of deer/car accidents. The BOS offered their help in finding a way to get more people to open up their land to the hunt. Bill and Janet will work together on certain items, such as whether or not the entire process must be repeated this year with obtaining landowners permission for hunters to hunt their land, etc. Bill also said that at this time the DRC is focusing on their charter of reducing the deer to 10 per square mile and that they are not surfing the internet for new information on Lyme Disease, etc, and that he welcomes the BOS's offer to continue the research.

MOTION by C. Olson to return to the original order of the agenda. S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- 1) Planning Board Meeting August 5, 2013 @ 6 :15 PM.

## **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

- 1) Updated BOS Goal list reviewed, no discussion.
- 2) June Expense and Revenue Reports - reviewed, no discussion.
- 3) Janet reported that Moseley's Parking area has been stumped by Peter Coombs, and there are ledges on site that she is further discussing with Peter.
- 4) May and June Fire Department Report from Murton Durkee was reviewed, no discussion.
- 5) Maine Forestry Request Update: 7/9/13 - Janet put in a request for a community wild fire risk assessment with Kent Nelson of the Forest Service. He will be in touch with Janet.
- 6) Priscilla Fort is interested in serving on the Groundwater Protection Committee.
- 7) MOTION by C. Olson to approve the FY 14 Local Road Assistance Program form as presented. F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. The BOS then signed the form which entitles the Town to receive FY 14 funds. The Town must certify that the funds will be used in a manner consistent with Chapter 19, Title 23.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence items were reviewed:

- 1) ICS Minutes of 6/11/13.
- 2) MSFA Meeting Minutes of 5/2/13
- 3) Peoples United Bank, April - June statement.
- 4) FEMA letter July 10, 2013 with notification of the time and date for Islesboro to attend a Flood Study Review meeting.
- 5) Rob Crawford, email dated 7/15/13

MOTION by C. Olson to return to the original order of the agenda. F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

## WARRANT

MOTION by C. Olson to approve Warrant # 26B for FY 13 in the amount of \$30,265.85.  
F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

MOTION by C. Olson to approve Warrant #2 for FY 14 in the amount of \$153,170.47.  
S. Oliver seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

## APPOINTMENTS

MOTION by C. Olson to appoint Priscilla Fort to the Groundwater Protection Committee.  
F. Rollins seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

## SELECTMEN COMMENTS

**A. Gillies:** Reported that the Summer Informational Meeting was a success. Arch handed out a consolidated list of BOS goals which he feels reflects everyone's interests. These will be discussed at a future meeting. He's had complaints of people jumping off the dock at Big Tree and would like Fred Porter to stop by periodically to police the situation.

**S. Oliver** Polled residents again on their thoughts, some comments were:

- The town has to solve the deer tick problem.
- There are too many signs on the island.
- Why do we have Waldo County Sheriff overnight on island?
- Bike paths are needed on island.
- Paving two miles a year is a good thing.
- Health Center, do we need 3 PA's?

**F. Rollins** Reported that while waiting for a CMP pole to arrive, he had time to note how fast cars were going through the Narrows. Reported that CMP is getting ready for a trim of the trees again next year.

**C. Olson** Reported that there is an upcoming talk by the Island Institute at his book store. Reported that he flew into Vinalhaven last week on Penobscot Air and that the Islesboro Airport is far superior in that it is paved and Vinalhaven only has a dirt strip. Vinalhaven airport is also privately owned. You cannot have your own personal plane on Vinalhaven.. Vinalhaven's water supply is a quarry, and finally, the wind turbines look small when you are physically near them.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

MOTION by C. Olson to adjourn the regular meeting session at 8:50 PM.

Please see attached page as recorded by Janet Anderson for the completion of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike  
Secretary to the Islesboro Board of Selectmen.