

**Islesboro Select Board  
Regular Meeting  
August 8, 2018 @ 6:15  
Town Office Meeting Room**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Archibald Gillies, Sandy Oliver, Philip Seymour, Gabriel Pendleton and Hanna Kerr

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Tom Norton, Tom Tutor, Bill Boardman - CEO, Terry Cowan.

Call the Meeting to Order: Arch Gillies called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM, and a quorum was established.

**MOTION BY P. SEYMOUR, seconded by S. Oliver, to approve the minutes of July 25, 2018 as written. Motion passed 5-0.**

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS:**

Ferry Rate Update: Gabe Pendleton reported that there is a hearing now scheduled for August 16, 2018 at 9 AM in the Superior Court to "argue all pending motions". After this hearing, the Town would await the judge's decision. Gabe said that the hearing is public and anyone could attend but doesn't know if it is common or beneficial to have concerned citizens attend. Janet Anderson will e-mail the town's lawyer and find out if the plaintiffs need to attend the hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENTS TO 2/15/18 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by G. Pendleton to enter public hearing. Motion passed 5-0. Time in Public Hearing 6:22 PM.**

Tom Tutor reviewed the history of the Comprehensive Plan process and the amendments to the February 15, 2018 Comprehensive Plan. See attachment "*Amendments to 2018 Islesboro Comprehensive Plan adopted February 15, 2018*". He explained that the Comprehensive Plan is adopted in large part to protect the Town from legal action if there is a dispute regarding a land use regulation. He also explained that the Town's Comprehensive Plan has to be consistent with the "Maine Growth Management Act". The changes being presented at this Public Hearing are the result of the State's review. The next step in the process is to hold a Special Town Meeting which will be on August 16, 2018 to vote to adopt this Comprehensive Plan.

Terry Cowan asked if the Future Land Use Plan in this Comprehensive Plan is the same

one that was in the 2010 plan. Tom Tutor responded saying that it is the same plan only with the legend being "tweaked". Terry's concerns of a change to a portion of his land were quelled by Bill Boardman- CEO who said that the Land Use Map is not changing and that there are no changes to the resource protection or shoreland districts.

**MOTION BY G. PENDLETON, seconded by P. Seymour to go out of Public Hearing.  
Time out of Public Hearing 6:46 PM.**

G. Pendleton recommended looking into setting up the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts for the Town Centers areas in order to position the Town for possible grants. Janet will talk to Vern Ziegler, Town Assessor, regarding this.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Planning Board meeting on August 20, 2018 AT 6:15 pm

Special Town Meeting and Summer Informational Meeting August 16, 2018 at 6:00 PM

**TOWN MANAGERS REPORT:**

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

1. The Margaret Chase Smith will go out of service in September for maintenance, unsure of dates or length ferry will be out of service.
2. **Motion by A. Gilles, seconded by H. Kerr, to vote for Joshua Gerritsen for the 2019 Waldo County Budget Committee. Motion passed 5-0.**
3. **Motion by A. Gilles, seconded by S. Oliver, to re-elect Gabe Pendleton as a member of the Waldo County Budget Committee. Motion passed 5-0.**
4. The Planning Board tabled the Town's Helipad application for a site review and FAA approval at its August 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. They meet next on August 20, 2018 at 6:15 PM.
5. Letter from Jim Elliott, Esq., regarding offer on Estate of John Coffin. Offer accepted in the amount of \$463,000, tentative closing date is August 17, 2018.
6. E-mail from Toby Martin of the Energy Committee dated 8/1/18 announcing the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Islesboro Energy Conference to be held on September 8<sup>th</sup>.
7. Handout from Vernon Ziegler, Assessor, regarding IMB and Real Estate Taxes.
8. Handout from Islesboro Central School introducing new Head of School - Charles Hamm, Superintendent Bob England and four new teachers: Samantha Diamond, PE and Health Tech; Peter DiLalla, Middle school teacher; John VanDis, High Science Teacher; Meagan Boyle, Ed tech III.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### School: "Anne Dillon House"

The Town is being offered grant funding in the amount of \$360,000 from the Clarence and Anne Dillon Dunwalke Trust to construct a residence for the Islesboro Central School principal on the former Zucker property across from Alumni Drive.

The Board of Selectmen were to approve a warrant for a referendum at this meeting, but per town attorney, Sally Daggett, it is "too much too fast", and there are unanswered questions that need to be answered first before moving forward, such as the source of funding, the terms of the grant, payment disbursement, etc. Because of the short window of opportunity to get a foundation in and commence construction with approaching cold weather, the Board wants to get this information as soon as possible and then reschedule a Special Select Board meeting in order to move forward with this. Janet Anderson and Arch Gillies will work on this and will notify the Board of a possible Special Select Board Meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 1. Sign Special Town Meeting Warrant for August 16, 2018

This Special Town Meeting is for the purpose of adopting the 2018 Comprehensive Plan and also to see if the Town will authorize the school to negotiate a Power Purchase Agreement with ReVision Energy to install a solar array at the school.

**MOTION BY S. Oliver, seconded by G. Pendleton, to sign the Special Town Meeting Warrant as presented. Motion passed 5-0.**

### 2. Approve FY 18 Sewer Rates

**MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by Phil Seymour, to approve the FY 2018 Sewer Rates as presented. Motion passed 5-0.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### Billing for Broadband

The Town is still unable to bill for IMB per Janet Anderson. Trio has not yet gotten back to the Town Office staff on the next steps to take to put this billing system in place.

**WARRANT #3 - FY 19**

**MOTION BY H. KERR, seconded by G. Pendleton, to approve Warrant #3 - FY19 in the amount of \$262,096. Motion passed 5-0.**

**CHAIR AND MEMBER COMMENTS**

ARCH GILLIES: Arch suggested the following as possible Summer Informational Meeting topics:

- Thank those who contributed to Ferry Relief Fund
- Introduce Charles Hamm
- Touch on current topics such as Broadband, Preschool, Town Centers, Solar.
- Ferry Update
- Rising Sea Levels
- Up Island Fire Station
- Increase rates of Lyme Disease
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GABE PENDLETON: Gabe said that PYY is installing a solar array at their facility and they are installing a battery backup as well. They are also going to have installed a car charging station and he wonders if the town should follow suit and look at other possible locations for car charging stations. Janet Anderson said that she would contact Jim Roberts regarding same.

HANNA KERR: She said that when she is walking the preschool children between the Preschool and ICC she encounters many speeding automobiles. The topic of having sidewalks was mentioned which would be a safer option than the current situation of walking on the edge of the road.

**MOTION BY HANNA KERR, seconded by PHIL Seymour, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. MOTION passed 5-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike  
Secretary to the Islesboro Board of Selectmen

Attachment