

SELECT BOARD MEETING

TOWN OFFICE at 5:30PM

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

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Meeting ID: 825 2291 8341 Passcode: 382224

1.	Call to Order:	Establish Quorum:
2.	Accept Minutes of the September 23, 2026 Regular Meeting.	
3.	Visitor's Comments/Petitions: ○	• <i>Ferry Service Update</i> • <i>Sea Level Rise Update</i> • Update on Up Island Public Safety Garage • Update on Public Safety Renovations
4.	Upcoming Meetings and Subcommittee Reports: • Planning Board: October 19 • Town Offices CLOSED Monday, October 12, 2026 in observance of Indigenous Persons Day •	
5.	Town Manager Report:	Correspondence: • 9/23/26 Email from Jesse Burns Inquiring about the Status of the Transfer Station Burn Pile. • UPDATE on 9/2/26 Speed Study Request. • 9/30 Email from John M. Speranza RE: "Notice of Anticipated Litigation & Demand to Preserve Evidence" RE: IMB issue.
6.	Old Business: 1. Rod Pendleton will Talk about Groundwater Conditions on Islesboro. 2. Energy Committee to Present Plans for New Grant by Elizabeth Dyer, Fellow.	
7.	New Business: 1. Explore Forming a Committee on Island Fire Risks. 2.	
8.	Other Business: 1.	
9.	Approve Warrant: FY27 - #8	
10.	Appointments: Airport: Steve Larmore	
11.	Chair Comments:	Individual Selectmen's Comments:
12.		
13.	Adjourn	

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AGENDA DEADLINE: 10/2/26

MEMBERS:

Peter Anderson
2028

Stephen Pendleton
2027

Peter Rothschild
2028

Dylan Purington
2029

Amy Mulnix
2029

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DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present:

Vice Chair Peter Anderson, Stephen Pendleton, Dylan Purington, Amy Mulnix, Chair Peter Rothschild (Zoom)

Others Present:

Town Manager Janet Anderson, Murton Durkee, Daniel Frohling, Doug Welldon, Janis Petzel, Page Clason (5:32)

Others Present via Zoom:

Fred Porter, Jason Hatch, Jennifer West, Elizabeth Dyer, Michael Miller, James Weiss, Ruthann Hewett, Daniel Tutor, Josh Leach, Lindsay.

Call to Order: Vice Chair Peter Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, and a quorum was established.

Members welcomed Amy Mulnix to the Select Board.

Minutes of September 9, 2026, Regular Meeting.

MOTION BY S. Pendleton, seconded by D. Purington, to approve the minutes of September 9, 2026 Regular Meeting, as written. No discussion. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

VISITORS COMMENTS/PETITIONS

None.

FERRY SERVICE UPDATE

No update.

SEA LEVEL RISE UPDATE

P. Rothschild stated that the Sea Level Rise Committee had success at the Special Town Meeting, where the bond article passed. We're waiting to hear about the grants.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PROJECT: UP-ISLAND PUBLIC SAFETY GARAGE, & PUBLIC SAFETY RENOVATION UPDATE

Up-Island Public Safety Garage: S. Pendleton reported that he reached out to Rod on Monday and again this afternoon. Waiting to hear back for an update on garage doors.

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J. Anderson added that the paving of the pad was done today.

Public Safety Renovation: Murt Durkee reported that the crew is pecking away at mudding the walls. The sprinkler work is still scheduled to be done on October 1st. Later, we'll have the alarm company make updates.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Planning Board: September 28th, 5:00pm.
- Grindle Point Light Station Committee: September 24th, 4:00pm.
- Airport Committee: September 25th, 4:00pm.
- Energy Committee: October 6, 5:15pm
- Groundwater Protection Committee Presentation: September 29th, 5:30pm

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- Packet included Agenda for 9/23/26, Minutes of 9/9/26 Select Board Regular Meeting.
- Committee Minutes
 - 6/10/26, 6/23 & 7/13/26 Municipal Broadband Committee minutes
 - 8/11/26 Energy Committee minutes
 - 8/27/26 Grindle Point Light Station minutes
- Correspondence
 - 9/9/26 Islesboro Public Safety "How to Report an Issue"
 - 9/18/26 email from Frank Start re: Selendy letter of 9/8, LHO duties related to Title 22, MRS § 454-A
- Manager:
 - Welcome Amy!
 - In the future, discussion of ex-officio roles & Select Board training with Kristin Collins.
 - Paving is complete. They paved 9/21 - 9/23, 1.4 miles, \$193,720.
- Warrant #7 – FY27

CORRESPONDENCE

1. 9/9/26 from Islesboro Public Safety, "How to Report an Issue"
 - Fred Porter stated that he wanted to get accurate information out to the public so they know how to report. It has helped so far. People are calling the dispatch number that we listed, and issues are easier to keep track of now.
2. 9/18 Frank Start re: Selendy letter, LHO Duties and Powers, Title 22, MRS §454-A
 - P. Anderson stated this would be discussed under Old Business.

P. Rothschild left the meeting early.

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OLD BUSINESS

1. Philippe & Jennifer Selendy Letter to Owen Howell, Local Health Officer, re: "Study of Tick-borne Illnesses Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 454-A."
2. Emails re: LHO Duties from Atty. Kristin Collins, Heather Sneff, MD, LHO Coordinator, Megan Kelley, Maine CDC Midcoast Field Epidemiologist, and Lindsay O'Hara, Public Health District Liaison.
 - Items 1 and 2 discussed together.
 - P. Anderson stated that we received the letter from Philippe & Jennifer Selendy regarding their belief that we should have Owen Howell tackle our tickborne illness issues, based on their understanding of Maine law. We submitted that to our lawyer. Her response clarifies the roles of the Local Health Officer (LHO), and indicates that he is not obligated to perform the things that they believe he is.
 - J. Anderson confirmed that and added that tickborne illnesses are not human communicable diseases, and so not a public health issue. Owen has spoken with the Selendys, and had a good conversation about the letter and his role.
 - P. Anderson stated that Frank Start's letter effectively said what our lawyer's letter did, which is that he believes their understanding of the law to be incorrect. No further action needed.
 - A. Mulnix asked a procedural question about when the Board makes this kind of decision to not respond. Do we respond to Frank with a thank-you?
 - P. Anderson stated that we took it into consideration, and have referred to it in this meeting. The minutes are public, and there isn't much else we need to do. It's a conversation that we'll continue having, about how we respond to citizen requests and submissions.
 - S. Pendleton stated that we're not responding to these specific items, but that doesn't mean that if there's additional comments in the future, we won't engage in those.
 - Daniel Frohling asked if the Board intends to take up considering whether to establish a Tick Committee.
 - P. Anderson replied that it's not off the table for discussion in the future.
 - S. Pendleton stated that no one has brought anything to us for this agenda, so we have nothing to take up.
3. Look into Forming a Fire Risk Committee to Evaluate Fire Risks in Town
 - Doug Welldon referred to a Working Waterfront article regarding the Blue Hill Peninsula and how the community is preparing for wildfires. They are trying to get a comprehensive plan in place. There is also an article about drought, groundwater, and related issues. The fire danger is still here. There are a lot of blowdowns all over the island. There needs to be a plan. At a previous meeting, we talked about establishing a Wildfire Committee. Three people would be enough to ferret out the information. A radio program had

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the head of the Forestry Service on recently, talking about grants to do some work for wildfire prevention. Doug is hoping the Board will have a motion.

MOTION BY S. Pendleton, seconded by P. Anderson, to vote at next meeting on whether or not to establish a committee to explore fire risk on Islesboro. Discussion as below.
Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no. Unanimous.

- A. Mulnix stated it would be good if the committee would identify its charge and scope of work.
- S. Pendleton replied that it's the responsibility of the committee to put together what their charge is.
- A. Mulnix stated that if the Board puts together a tick committee in the future, it would be useful to ask the committee, as it's being put together, to identify what it is hoping to do. Then they develop their scope of work, but the Board has an idea of what we're sending that committee out to do, in writing.
- D. Purington stated it's a good idea to get people together to work on this, but he's not sure if forming a committee might stand in the way of action that could be taken now, such as disseminating information with flyers, etc. He doesn't oppose a committee. It's clear that fire danger exists, but it's not clear what the point of a committee would be.
- Doug Welldon stated that there's money available and help that the Forestry Service can provide to communities. The committee's charge would be to research and gather information, and then make some recommendations, in about five bullet points. The Select Board would vote on any action. Brochures have been out for a long time, but not much has changed.
- D. Purington stated that he understands that a committee would be effective at getting possible grants.
- Doug added that a committee could also act as a clearing house for information.
- P. Anderson requested that Doug Welldon put together a few bullet points for next meeting, for what he envisions the committee doing, what kind of people to tap into, end result, etc., so that when we vote on it, it's clear. Doug agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Page Clason Statement to the Select Board
 - Page Clason addressed the Select Board regarding the Special Town Meeting that he moderated last week. He tries to keep the meetings casual in general, and let everyone have a chance to speak. The approach usually works pretty well, but this time, there were some unnecessary discomforts. Page has been uncomfortable about the meeting for two reasons in particular.
 - The most pressing reason surrounds how he conducted Article 6, regarding the question of establishing a committee to address tickborne illness. There was a passionate outburst from one speaker that caught Page off guard. He feels he should have terminated that immediately, as it was out of order for several

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different reasons, one being an outburst directed at the Board. It should have been at the moderator. That's the reason we have a moderator. We want calm, objective discussion of the issues.

- Page also feels he should have clarified the scope. We got talking about deer and ticks, but that was not what Article 6 was about. It was asking if the people should contain the Board's powers. Page feels he should have addressed that and kept the discussion there.
- Page feels that he should have made it clear that that's an example of how people are attacked, and people should not be attacked. None of our neighbors should be attacked in any of these meetings. Only on the second outburst did he minimally subdue it, and he felt bad about that. The result was that the Board was attacked, which was unnecessary and incorrect, and happened on his watch.
- Page wants it on the public record that, as moderator, he apologizes, and intends not to let that happen again in the future.
- As a voter, he wants to make it clear that the Board had strong support from the public, and Page also supports the Board for the charitable, honorable, and hard work that's necessary to lead the Town. He was pleased to see the strong community support behind the Board.
- The second concern Page had was the question of whether one of the tellers should be counting when her partner was running for a Select Board seat. Page tried to let the people resolve that, but feels he should have made it clear that there was no issue. The tellers are not responsible. The moderator is responsible, and there are protections in place to make sure that voting is accurate. Page's concern is that a good citizen with unsubstantiated doubts got attacked by the community under his watch. He intends to give her a direct apology.
- Page added that we're fortunate to have a very good and healthy community, with a lot of good people. He left the meeting feeling uncomfortable. He felt that some of the deterioration of democracy in this country is moving into our community. That's something he can't tolerate. He will be thinking about how we might address that.
- Page stated that these things he considers attacks happened on his watch, and he wanted to be here to give his apology in public. He thanked the Board for their time and their service.
- P. Anderson stated that he thinks Page did a fantastic job in the face of what could have become a more heated meeting. He thinks Page handled the heated moment well. He hopes that we can learn from this past one, and that the next one is able to maintain a better level of decorum. He thanked Page for his kind words.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. None.

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APPROVE WARRANT: FY27 #7

MOTION BY A. Mulnix, seconded by D. Purington, to approve Warrant FY27 #7. No discussion. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no. Unanimous.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. Energy Committee: Elizabeth Dyer and Daniel Frohling.
 - P. Anderson referred to a letter of recommendation for Elizabeth from the Island Institute.
 - Daniel has a letter from Harriet Bering requesting that he be on the committee.

MOTION BY P. Anderson, seconded by S. Pendleton, to appoint Elizabeth Dyer and Daniel Frohling to the Energy Committee. No discussion. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no. Unanimous.

CHAIR COMMENTS

P. Rothschild: Absent, no comments.

VICE-CHAIR COMMENTS

P. Anderson: Go, Red Sox.

INDIVIDUAL SELECT BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

S. Pendleton: Welcome, Amy.

D. Purington: Thank you, Page. Welcome, Amy. For clarity, when we are not addressing certain things, it doesn't mean that we don't ever want to address them or we're trying to get rid of them.

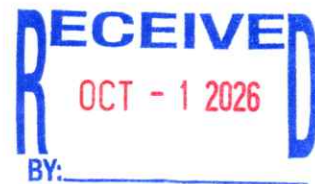
A. Mulnix: Thank you for a very warm welcome. Main Road is nicely paved, and it's fantastic to take a walk there now. Thank you, all!

MOTION BY S. Pendleton, seconded by D. Purington to adjourn meeting at 6:05 PM. No discussion. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no. Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carrie Reed
Secretary



**NOTICE OF ANTICIPATED LITIGATION AND DEMAND TO PRESERVE
EVIDENCE**

September 30, 2026

VIA EMAIL

Email: kcollins@preti.com

Kristin Collins, Esq.
Town Attorney, Town of Islesboro
Preti Flaherty Beliveau & Pachios LLP
45 Memorial Circle
Augusta, ME 04330

Re: Termination of Islesboro Municipal Broadband Service, 193 Hewes Point Road

Dear Ms. Collins:

I reasonably anticipate litigation against the Town of Islesboro, Islesboro Municipal Broadband ("IMB"), and its officials and contractors arising out of the termination of my broadband service at 193 Hewes Point Road, the inspection and findings preceding it, and related matters described below. The Town, IMB, and the persons identified in Section 1, among others, are under a legal duty to preserve all evidence relevant to those matters. Immediately issue and maintain a litigation hold sufficient to preserve all relevant documents, ESI, and tangible evidence. The duty to preserve applies now and continues until the matter is finally resolved.

1. Persons Bound

Please deliver this letter promptly to each of the following, and to anyone else you know or have reason to believe holds relevant material:

- Barry Wherren
- Janet Anderson
- Each current IMB board member
- The Town Manager, Town Clerk, and Select Board
- Any employee, contractor, or agent involved in the inspection, billing, or termination, including Page Clason
- Current and former custodians of relevant ESI, IT and network administrators, records custodians, and third-party vendors with operational, technical, billing, or account records

To the extent that any relevant party has used personal email accounts or devices in the course of performing any function for IMB, the Town, or to discuss matters contemplated herein, this letter shall extend to such personal accounts and devices. This preservation notice shall also extend to material held by third parties under the Town's control, including its network operator, equipment vendors, and contractors. Please promptly notify all such third parties of their preservation obligations and confirm that you have done so.

2. The ONT and Related Equipment

Preserve the optical network terminal installed at 193 Hewes Point Road (the "ONT"), its power supply, and any other equipment removed from or inspected at the premises exactly as they are now. Do not repair, reset, refurbish, reuse, return to a vendor, discard, alter, open, energize, clean, dry, handle outside documented chain-of-custody procedures, or subject them to destructive testing. Any inspection or testing shall take place only on notice to me and with an opportunity for me or my expert to attend.

3. Materials to Preserve

Preserve all documents, electronically stored information ("ESI"), and tangible things relating to the following. The categories below are intended to be illustrative and non-exhaustive. Network data should be preserved from the ONT's installation to the present; all other material from January 1, 2017, to the present.

- (a) **Network records for the ONT.** OLT and element-management data showing registration, ranging, optical power levels, alarms, provisioning, and status history.
- (b) **The inspection.** All photographs, video, notes, work orders, and reports (including drafts and metadata) relating to the inspection of my premises and the ONT, and every fact relied on for any finding of water damage or tampering.
- (c) **The termination and charges.** The decisions to terminate my service and to impose reactivation, equipment, and labor charges as a condition of restoring it, including who decided, when, and why.
- (d) **My account.** My account, billing, and complaints, and all communications with me or about me.
- (e) **My speech.** Any discussion of my criticism of IMB, my public statements, or any proposed or actual response to those statements, including communications about me in any forum or medium.
- (f) **My FOAA request.** My Freedom of Access Act request for ONT equipment specifications, the search for responsive records, and the decision to deny it.
- (g) **Governing policies and fees.** IMB's terms and conditions, policies, and procedures on inspection, tampering, termination, and reactivation, including every version in effect from January 1, 2017, to the present, and the votes and records adopting the fees charged to me.
- (h) **Comparable cases.** Every other instance since January 1, 2016, in which IMB suspended or terminated service, or imposed reactivation or equipment charges, based on alleged tampering or equipment damage.
- (i) **Meetings.** Minutes, agendas, notes, and audio or video recordings of IMB, committee, and Select Board meetings at which any of these matters was discussed, including executive sessions.
- (j) **Outside communications.** Communications with the network operator, vendors, contractors, residents, or the press about any of these matters.
- (k) **Executive sessions.** For every executive session of IMB, any IMB committee, or the Select Board at which any of these matters was or may have been discussed: the public notice and agenda; the motion to enter executive session, including the stated nature of the business and the statutory authority cited; the vote on that motion; every member,

employee, attorney, and other person present; the times the session began and ended; all notes, recordings, and materials distributed, displayed, or referred to during the session; any action or vote taken on return to public session; and all communications among members, staff, counsel, or others before or after the session concerning the matters discussed in it.

- (l) **Deliberations outside meetings.** All communications among IMB or Select Board members concerning these matters outside a properly noticed public meeting, whether direct or through staff, counsel, or other intermediaries, and in any medium, including serial or one-to-one communications that together reached a quorum.
- (m) **Consultation with counsel.** Records sufficient to show when the Town, IMB, or any person identified in Section 1 first consulted the Town Attorney or any other counsel concerning any of these matters; engagement, billing, and time records for that work; the identity of every person who communicated with counsel on these matters; every communication with counsel that was shared with, copied to, or forwarded to any person outside the Town and IMB, including the network operator, vendors, contractors, and residents; and every communication in which counsel gave business, technical, operational, or public-relations advice rather than legal advice.
- (n) **Anticipation of litigation.** Records sufficient to show when the Town or IMB first anticipated litigation concerning these matters, including but not limited to the creation date of every document that is or may be withheld as work product or as prepared in anticipation of litigation.

4. Sources and Format

This notice reaches every location where relevant material may exist. That shall include, among other things, all Town and IMB systems and **personal** email, text messages, iMessage, WhatsApp and other messaging apps, social-media posts and private messages (including community Facebook groups), voicemail, call logs, calendars, handwritten notes, system logs, access logs, audit trails, ticketing-system entries, configuration backups, other backups, archives, cloud storage, shared drives, Microsoft 365 or Google Workspace repositories, collaboration tools, retention settings, and related metadata. Preserve search terms, custodians searched, repositories searched, dates searched, export logs, and other audit results of searches conducted in response to my FOAA request or this preservation notice. Suspend all auto-delete settings and routine purges. Individuals should not reset, replace, trade in, overwrite, migrate, compress, image improperly, strip metadata from, or otherwise alter any phone, computer, account, system, or ESI that holds relevant data. ESI must be preserved in native format with metadata intact.

5. Continuing Duty and Consequences

This duty extends to relevant material created after the date of this letter. Preserve all materials within the scope of this notice even if they are later withheld on the basis of privilege, work product, or another asserted protection, along with information sufficient to identify, for each withheld item, its author, every recipient (including copies and blind copies), custodian, date, subject matter, whether counsel sent or received it, and the basis for withholding. An assertion of privilege or work product does not relieve any person of the duty to preserve the underlying facts, attachments, and non-privileged portions of any communication, and any document that existed

independently of a communication with counsel must be preserved in its original form. Failure to preserve evidence may result in sanctions, including adverse-inference instructions, evidentiary sanctions, monetary sanctions, or other relief under applicable law, and may support claims or motions based on spoliation of evidence. Nothing in this letter should be construed as a complete statement of facts, claims, defenses, evidence, or requested relief, and nothing in this letter waives any right or remedy.

No objection to the scope of this notice relieves any person or entity of the duty to preserve potentially relevant material pending resolution of that objection.

6. Requested Confirmation

Within seven days of receipt, please confirm in writing:

- (1) that this letter has been distributed to the persons identified in Section 1;
- (2) the names of any additional persons or third parties to whom this letter has been distributed;
- (3) that auto-deletion and routine purges have been suspended;
- (4) the current location and custodian of the ONT, and its chain of custody since the inspection;
- (5) any source of potentially relevant material that cannot be preserved, has already been altered, deleted, overwritten, or destroyed, or may be at risk of loss, and the reason for that condition; and
- (6) whether any litigation hold or preservation notice concerning these matters was issued before this letter and, if so, its date and recipients.

Sincerely,

John-Michael Gammon Speranza
Email: jm@jmsperanza.com

Janet Anderson

To: Islesboro Clerk
Subject: RE: Burn area

CORRESPONDENCE

Hi Jesse,

I am in receipt of your letter regarding re-opening the burn pile at the Transfer Station. This will go on the next SB agenda 10/7/26. I will try to research this prior to that meeting.

Best,
Janet
9/23/2026



Subject: Inquiry Regarding Reopening and Upgrading the Transfer Station Burn Pile

Dear Members of the Select Board,

I am writing to you today as a resident and local business owner on Islesboro to address a matter of ongoing concern for our community: the status of the burn pile at the town transfer station.

As you may recall, the burn pile was shut down a couple of years ago because the lining did not meet the required specifications. While I fully appreciate the importance of environmental safety and regulatory compliance, the closure of this facility has created a significant challenge for residents and property managers alike. Furthermore, with the dry conditions and drought periods we have experienced recently, having a properly managed, centralized, and safe location to burn brush, wood debris, and organic matter is more critical than ever for fire prevention and property maintenance.

Managing brush accumulation privately or hauling it off-island is often impractical or cost-prohibitive. A municipal burn site that meets all proper environmental and regulatory linings would provide a safe, regulated outlet for the community's yard waste, brush, and storm debris.

I am writing to ask whether the Town or the oversight committee currently has any plans to update, properly line, and reopen the transfer station burn pile. If there are no current plans in motion, I would like to request that the Select Board look into the feasibility and potential costs of bringing this facility back up to code so we can safely resume burning operations.

Thank you for your time, your continued service to Islesboro, and your consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing your thoughts or an update at an upcoming meeting.

Sincerely,
Jesse Burns

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Janet R. Anderson
Town Manager
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1 October, 2026

Darryl Belz, PE
Maine DOT
Region 2
By email (Darryl.Belz@maine.gov and regular mail)

Dear Darryl,

Please accept this letter and the accompanying materials as a request by the Town of Islesboro, County of Waldo, DOT Region 2, for a Speed Study to determine whether a lowering of the current 40 mph Speed Limit on a .74 mile stretch of Pendleton Point Rd., a town road, is warranted.

This request follows a citizen request received by the Town, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1. The request was considered by the Town of Islesboro Select Board at a regularly scheduled meeting held on September 9. At that meeting the Select Board voted to approve the request that is now being made.

As a brief overview, a review of the citizen request provides the salient facts. The area of the roadway in question is approximately .74 miles from 269 Pendleton Point Rd. to 408 Pendleton Point Rd. CMP Pole #328S/68 to CMP Pole # 358/Alumni Drive. The request has been made by the residents of that stretch of road, and others in the area, who have expressed concerns regarding pedestrian and non-vehicle safety as noted in the request. The proponent of this initiative advised the Select Board at the meeting that in his opinion the 32 signatures accompanying the request represented 90% or more of the residents along the Speed Zone in question. I would also note that the proponent has requested that if you deem a site inspection appropriate that at least one inspection take place in July or August given the fact that the traffic situation during those months tends to be quite a bit more busy than in the winter months and is a reason for the request that is being made.

In response to your email of September 3:

Narrative Justification

1) Necessity for a Speed Study

This request is made in response to a request from the residents along the stretch of road in question regarding safety concerns. Please consider the specifics noted in the request which I have attached as Exhibit 1.

- 2) Is it uncomfortable or unsafe to travel at the existing Speed Limit?
We have not received complaints from drivers of vehicles. There is a concern, however, as noted in the citizens' request, regarding pedestrian and bicycle safety issues
- 3) How often is traffic currently exceeding the Posted Speed Limit?
This is unknown. We do not currently have the equipment necessary to provide this information. It should be noted, however, that the traffic on this road varies considerably with a substantial increase during the summer months of July through mid-September as the island's population increases quite a bit during those months. The exact numbers, however, are unknown.
- 4) We are not aware of prior studies of the roadway in question.

A map of the area in issue is part of the PowerPoint presentation which is attached as Exhibit 2.

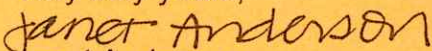
Additional elements.

- 1) Speed data is not available
- 2) The specific area is described above
- 3) Parking is not applicable
- 4) There have been no recent changes to the roadway itself. The citizen request, however, does note an increasing population of young children along the roadway.
- 5) Remedial efforts to date include an annual trim, by tractor, of roadside vegetation, limited by the size of the tractor cutter bar. The request notes limited sight lines.
- 6) Please see the attached PowerPoint Exhibit 2 with accompanying photographs.

Once you have had an opportunity to review this correspondence and the accompanying materials, we would be happy to discuss the matter further and/or provide you with whatever further information you might desire.

Thank you in advance.

Very truly yours,



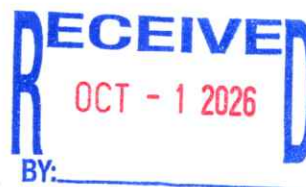
Janet Anderson

Town Manager, Town of Islesboro

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Resident Request presented to Town

Exhibit 2 – PowerPoint with maps and photographs (by regular mail only)



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Community Energy Resilience Plan (CERP) & Island Institute Fellow Update

Summer/ mid-Fall 2026 Report for the Islesboro Select Board

Fellow: Elizabeth Dyer, edyer@islandinstitute.org

Team: Islesboro Energy Committee, Islesboro Community Center

CERP Goals (general scope of work)

1. Outline municipal energy goals & projects for the next 3-5 years.
2. Host 3-4 community engagement workshops to include all island residents in the planning process, progress, and results.
3. Fulfill fellowship objectives of (a) assisting Islesboro Energy Committee in ongoing projects and (b) increasing youth environmental engagement at Islesboro Community Center.

Overlap with Town Initiatives

➤ Hazard Mitigation Plan (2026)

- *Section 7.1 Mitigation Goal 2:* "Build and enhance local mitigation capabilities to ensure the safety and resilience of all community members ... and ensure continuity of emergency services" (p. 82).
- *Section 7.2.10 Future Mitigation Priority #5:* "Improving emergency power redundancy at critical facilities (Fire Station, Health Center, and Town Office)" (p. 86).
 - CERP will bolster planning for power outages and energy resilience, particularly for critical infrastructure, so that vulnerabilities are minimized during hazard events.

➤ Comprehensive Plan (2018)

- *Policy V.F/ Strategy V.F.4:* "Explore the feasibility and desirability of alternative energy production to reduce energy costs for residents" (p. 23).
 - CERP process will advance this by facilitating community learning & feedback opportunities for potential energy projects such as microgrid and/or community solar.

Projects, meetings, and outreach activities (June–September 2026)

Outreach & Meetings

- Planning Community Energy Resilience Workshop #1, a public community engagement event
- Internal planning for Community Resilience Partnership Round 7 grant for advancing community energy projects.
- Connecting with stakeholders on-island interested in solar development on their properties.
- Collaborate with Islesboro Central School to plan student engagement in energy planning and feedback opportunities.

Project Work

- Ongoing participation with Energy Technology Innovation Partner Project (ETIPP), a DOE program that provides technical assistance in microgrid design and planning.
- Organizing & creating electronic record of municipal electricity & fuel oil bills to understand energy costs and potential for solar projects to offset them.

Upcoming activities

- Fall youth energy engagement workshops at Kids Club: energy audits, infrared camera activities
- **November 7th, 11am-12:30pm: Community Energy Resilience Workshop #1** at ICC
 - Opportunity to learn about and provide feedback on microgrids and community solar.



Town of Islesboro
Capital Reserve Account
Period Ending September 30, 2026

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FUND NAME	Beginning	Distributions	Balance after Transfer	Expenses	Earnings	Realized	Unrealized	Contributions	Ending
	Balance as of 09/01/26				M/M	Gain/Loss	Gain/Loss		Balance as of 09/30/26
				(\$235.43)	\$5,196.52	\$0.00	(\$9,704.50)		
EQUIPMENT & VEHICLES									
AMBULANCE RESERVE	\$36,026.42		\$36,026.42	(\$7.46)	\$164.68	\$0.00	(\$307.54)		\$35,876.10
FIRE ENGINE	\$18,077.94		\$18,077.94	(\$3.74)	\$82.64	\$0.00	(\$154.32)		\$18,002.52
FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$6,373.55		\$6,373.55	(\$1.32)	\$29.13	\$0.00	(\$54.41)		\$6,346.95
HEALTH CENTER EQUIPMENT	\$3,033.73		\$3,033.73	(\$0.63)	\$13.87	\$0.00	(\$25.90)		\$3,021.07
LANDSCAPING AND GROUNDSKEEPING EQUIPMENT	\$52.76		\$52.76	(\$0.01)	\$0.24	\$0.00	(\$0.45)		\$52.54
POLICE CRUISER	\$367.40		\$367.40	(\$0.08)	\$1.68	\$0.00	(\$3.14)		\$365.86
PUBLIC WORKS FOR EQUIP & REPAIRS	\$4,512.50		\$4,512.50	(\$0.93)	\$20.63	\$0.00	(\$38.52)		\$4,493.68
TOWN TRUCK	\$31,708.31		\$31,708.31	(\$6.57)	\$144.94	\$0.00	(\$270.68)		\$31,576.00
SCHOOL									
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$39,938.77		\$39,938.77	(\$8.27)	\$182.56	\$0.00	(\$340.94)		\$39,772.12
SCHOOL BUS	\$58,369.86		\$58,369.86	(\$12.09)	\$266.81	\$0.00	(\$498.27)		\$58,126.31
SCHOOL SOLAR PROJECT RESERVE	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
SCHOOL CONTINGENCY RESERVE	\$48,009.53		\$48,009.53	(\$9.94)	\$219.46	\$0.00	(\$409.83)		\$47,809.22
LAND AREA									
MADDY DODGE FIELD - RESERVE	\$4,523.44		\$4,523.44	(\$0.94)	\$20.68	\$0.00	(\$38.61)		\$4,504.57
SOCCER FIELD IMPROVEMENT	\$95,948.60		\$95,948.60	(\$19.87)	\$438.59	\$0.00	(\$819.07)		\$95,548.25
PROJECT									
ENGINEERING, ARCHITECT, SURVEY	\$167.73		\$167.73	(\$0.03)	\$0.77	\$0.00	(\$1.43)		\$167.04
FUTURE	\$1,878.02		\$1,878.02	(\$0.39)	\$8.58	\$0.00	(\$16.03)		\$1,870.18
INCLINE & FLOATS	\$51,283.46		\$51,283.46	(\$10.62)	\$234.42	\$0.00	(\$437.78)		\$51,069.48
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	\$33,916.85		\$33,916.85	(\$7.02)	\$155.04	\$0.00	(\$289.53)		\$33,775.34
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	\$159,368.00		\$159,368.00	(\$33.00)	\$728.49	\$0.00	(\$1,360.45)		\$158,703.04
HEALTH CENTER TECHNOLOGY	\$1,167.59		\$1,167.59	(\$0.24)	\$5.34	\$0.00	(\$9.97)		\$1,162.72
SHELLFISH OPERATIONS	\$4,868.45		\$4,868.45	(\$1.01)	\$22.25	\$0.00	(\$41.56)		\$4,848.13
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS EXPANSION	\$0.10		\$0.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.10
SOLAR-SALT BUILDING	\$4,780.47		\$4,780.47	(\$0.99)	\$21.85	\$0.00	(\$40.81)		\$4,760.52
SOLAR-TOWN OFFICE	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
REPLACEMENT									
AGING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT	\$1,422.46		\$1,422.46	(\$0.29)	\$6.50	\$0.00	(\$12.14)		\$1,416.53
ACRE ISLAND PUB SAFETY	\$5,850.45		\$5,850.45	(\$1.21)	\$26.74	\$0.00	(\$49.94)		\$5,826.04
IMB - REPLACEMENT RESERVE	\$51,381.82		\$51,381.82	(\$10.64)	\$234.87	\$0.00	(\$438.62)		\$51,167.43
ISLAND FIRE SUB-STAT	\$17,295.86		\$17,295.86	(\$3.58)	\$79.06	\$0.00	(\$147.65)		\$17,223.69
LIBRARY EQUIP & REPAIRS	\$18,973.26		\$18,973.26	(\$3.93)	\$86.73	\$0.00	(\$161.97)		\$18,894.09
TRANSFER STATION WALL REPLACEMENT	\$11,087.38		\$11,087.38	(\$2.30)	\$50.68	\$0.00	(\$94.65)		\$11,041.11
TECHNOLOGY	\$24,919.59		\$24,919.59	(\$5.16)	\$113.91	\$0.00	(\$212.73)		\$24,815.61
TENNIS COURT RESERVE	\$347.54		\$347.54	(\$0.07)	\$1.59	\$0.00	(\$2.97)		\$346.09
SEA LEVEL RISE	\$183,981.36		\$183,981.36	(\$38.10)	\$841.00	\$0.00	(\$1,570.56)		\$183,213.70
FIDUCIARY FUNDS									
DHWWTF-Reserve	\$52,467.76		\$52,467.76	(\$10.87)	\$239.83	\$0.00	(\$447.89)		\$52,248.83
DHWWTF-Treatment Plant	\$6,476.95		\$6,476.95	(\$1.34)	\$29.61	\$0.00	(\$55.29)		\$6,449.93
RESTRICTED LIBRARY									
RESTRICTED LIBRARY	\$24,970.77		\$24,970.77	(\$5.17)	\$114.14	\$0.00	(\$213.16)		\$24,866.58
UNRESTRICTED LIBRARY	\$54,867.42		\$54,867.42	(\$11.36)	\$250.80	\$0.00	(\$468.38)		\$54,638.48
CEMETERY FUNDS									
CEMETERY FUNDS	\$9,853.75		\$9,853.75	(\$2.04)	\$45.04	\$0.00	(\$84.12)		\$9,812.63
PUBLIC HEALTH									
PUBLIC HEALTH	\$7,106.54		\$7,106.54	(\$1.47)	\$32.48	\$0.00	(\$60.67)		\$7,076.88
EMERGENCY FERRY TRIPS-Reserve									
EMERGENCY FERRY TRIPS-Reserve	\$5,251.11		\$5,251.11	(\$1.09)	\$24.00	\$0.00	(\$44.83)		\$5,229.19
REVALUATION									
REVALUATION	\$2.20		\$2.20	\$0.00	\$0.01	\$0.00	(\$0.02)		\$2.19
GRANT WRITER									
GRANT WRITER	\$43,627.30		\$43,627.30	(\$9.03)	\$199.42	\$0.00	(\$372.42)		\$43,445.27
GROUNDWATER									
GROUNDWATER	\$12,565.96		\$12,565.96	(\$2.63)	\$57.46	\$0.00	(\$107.25)		\$12,513.54
TOTALS	\$1,136,822.96	\$0.00	\$1,136,822.96	<b style="color: red;">(\$235.43)	\$5,196.52	\$0.00	(\$9,704.50)	\$0.00	\$1,132,079.55

Janet Anderson

To: TINA
Subject: Blast

The Town has started road side cutting – beginning at Town Beach.

If you have vegetation within 15 feet of the side of the pavement and if you are particular about its trimming please take care of this yourself before we roll up.

**Happy fall
10/1/2026**

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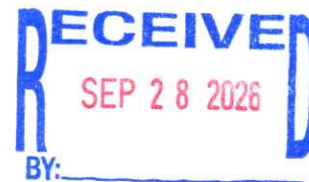
Committee	Currently	New/Same
A.L.P. Library Trustees	Pete Anderson	Pete
Cemetery	Melissa	Dylan
Groundwater	Shey	
Lighthouse-Museum	Melissa	
Recreation	Melissa	Steve
Energy Committee	Peter Rothschild	
Municipal Broadband	Steve	Steve
Pesticide Safety	Steve	Steve
Economic Sustainability	Peter Rothschild	Peter Rothschild
Sea Level Rise	Shey	Peter Rothschild
Housing Committee	Peter Rothschild	Peter Rothschild

10/7/2026



JANET T. MILLS
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MAINE REVENUE SERVICES

JEROME D. GERARD
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

September 2026

Municipal Officers:

RE: Proposed 2027 State Valuation

Pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 208, the Bureau of Revenue Services is required to send you an annual notice of proposed state valuation for municipalities located in your county. Enclosed are the 2027 proposed valuations. These valuations represent the full equalized value of all **taxable property** in each municipality as of **April 1, 2025** while incorporating sales data primarily from 2024 and 2025.

The valuations finally certified to the Secretary of State pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 305 will be used for all computations required by law to be based on the state valuation.

STATE BOARD OF PROPERTY TAX REVIEW

In accordance with 36 M.R.S. § 272, any municipality aggrieved by a state valuation may appeal to the State Board of Property Tax Review. Appeal procedures, along with the duties and powers of the State Board of Property Tax Review are summarized below.

An aggrieved municipality may file a written notice of appeal with the State Board of Property Tax Review **by November 15, 2026**. An appeal to the State Board of Property Tax Review must be in writing, signed by a majority of the municipal officers and accompanied by an **affidavit** stating the grounds for appeal. **The affidavit must include the municipal officers' sworn statement of the specific grounds for their appeal and bear the notarized signatures of the municipal officers.**

With respect to the affidavit, the State Board of Property Tax Review's Rule 1, § 4(B)(2) states: "The appealing municipality must file with its notice of appeal an affidavit of the municipal officers stating the grounds for the appeal. The affidavit must be meaningful and specific. A mere statement that the state valuation is too high is not sufficient. If a municipality intends to compare its state valuation to neighboring towns or cities, the municipality should list those municipalities in the affidavit. In appeals from assessment quality and ratio decisions of the Bureau of Taxation, the municipality must set forth in specific terms the basis for the challenge to the determination." The Bureau of Taxation referenced in this quote is now the Bureau of Revenue Services. A copy of the appeal and affidavit must be provided to the Bureau of Revenue Services. The Bureau of Revenue Services has the burden of proving that its state valuation for the related municipality is correct.

The State Board of Property Tax Review will issue its decision no later than January 15 following the date of the appeal.

The State Board of Property Tax Review will give at least five days' notice prior to an appeal hearing to the municipality and to the Bureau of Revenue Services.

The State Board of Property Tax Review, after hearing an appeal, has the power to:

1. Raise, lower, or sustain the state valuation determined by the Bureau of Revenue Services. The decision of the State Board of Property Tax Review is final, and the determined valuation will be certified to the Bureau of Revenue Services.
2. Raise, lower, or sustain the Bureau of Revenue Services' determination of the municipality's achieved assessing standards and then, if such standards are inadequate, order the municipality to take the corrective steps the State Board of Property Tax Review deems necessary.

Any party aggrieved by the decision of the State Board of Property Tax Review may appeal pursuant to Rule 80B of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.

In the event a municipality's appeal to the Superior or Supreme Judicial Court results in a lowering of the municipality's state valuation, the Treasurer of State will reimburse the municipality for the money lost due to the use by the state of the incorrect state valuation.

The mailing address of the State Board of Property Tax Review is: **State Board of Property Tax Review, 49 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333.**

Any questions concerning the proposed 2026 state valuation may be directed to the Property Tax Division at 624-5600.

Very truly yours,



Tony Pinette,
Tax Section Manager, State Valuation
Property Tax Division

WALDO COUNTY**MAINE REVENUE SERVICES
PROPERTY TAX DIVISION****PROPOSED 2027 STATE VALUATION****MUNICIPALITY****STATE VALUATION**

#1	BELFAST		\$1,528,950,000
	BELMONT		\$151,050,000
	BROOKS		\$154,200,000
	BURNHAM		\$226,250,000
	FRANKFORT		\$186,250,000
	FREEDOM		\$113,800,000
#4	ISLESBORO	(2026 \$730,250,000)	\$793,300,000
	JACKSON		\$84,850,000
	KNOX		\$110,400,000
	LIBERTY		\$304,800,000
#2	LINCOLNVILLE		\$981,800,000
	MONROE		\$189,100,000
	MONTVILLE		\$166,200,000
	MORRILL		\$132,900,000
#3	NORTHPORT		\$831,550,000
	PALERMO		\$402,750,000
	PROSPECT		\$126,800,000
	SEARSMONT		\$332,000,000
	SEARSPORT		\$598,400,000
	STOCKTON SPRINGS		\$439,250,000
	SWANVILLE		\$274,150,000
	THORNDIKE		\$101,750,000
	TROY		\$140,650,000
	UNITY		\$271,450,000
	WALDO		\$132,400,000
	WINTERPORT		\$521,850,000

TOTAL**\$9,296,850,000**