Islesboro Select Board Regular Meeting October 3, 2018 @ 6:15 PM Town Office Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Arch Gillies, Sandy Oliver, Hanna Kerr, Gabe Pendleton, and Phil Seymour

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Albert Rolerson, Fred Porter, Steve Miller, Maggy Willcox

Call to Order: Arch Gillies called the meeting to order at 6:21 PM, and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve the minutes of September 19, 2018 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS/PETITIONS

Ferry Update:

Gabe Pendleton reported that he received a call earlier today from the town's attorney who told him that they had been contacted by the attorneys for D.O.T. D.O.T. has offered to redo the process and the court is supposed to decide on this tomorrow. Gabe states he is hopeful that they will roll back the fares while undergoing this process if indeed the court decides to redo the process. It was noted that the court may or may not decide to do anything at tomorrow's hearing.

Ferry Fund Update:

To date \$36,505.85 paid to town's attorney. \$37,107.09 funds available.

PUBLIC HEARING:

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by P. Seymour, to enter into Public Hearing for consideration of Renewal License for Clifford Houle's Automobile Junkyard. Motion passed 5-0.

The application is reviewed and found to be complete, accompanied by a letter of approval from Bill Boardman, CEO. Abutters were notified and have not responded with any concerns or complaints.

MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by G. Pendleton, to go out of Public Hearing. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION BY S. Oliver, seconded by G. Pendleton, to approve the Automibile

Junkyard Renewal Permit for Clifford Houle/M & M Junk. Motion passed 5-0.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Planning Board meeting will be held on October 15, 2018 at 6:15 PM. Airport Committee meeting will be held on October 4, 2018

TOWN MANAGERS REPORT:

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

Janet reported that she attended the most recent meeting of the Parking Committee held last evening and they discussed the current parking fees, the idea of filling in more of the shoulder along Ferry Road for parking, the tickets that were issued over the summer season (itemization provided by Sarah Runnion-Bareford), deregulating the parking in the middle section, and making one of the handicapped spots an overnight parking spot. Janet will contact D.O.T to find out if they will approve filling in the shoulder. David Pendleton reported that at one time D.O.T. did approve this.

Peggy Pike attended the September 11, 2018 meeting and told the Select Board that she endorses deregulating the middle section. She provided photos at that meeting of trucks on a Sunday backed into the swamp area and in the ditch alongside the road while there were many parking spots left empty in the middle. Arch Gillies asked for an explanation of why this was happening, to which Peggy explained that vehicles cannot park in the middle section longer than 24 hours so when people leave the island on Friday they have to find a place alongside the road to park.

Regarding the handicap spaces, Janet Anderson said it is not necessary to change the ordinance to allow overnight parking in the handicap spaces. People can call the Town Office and get permission.

Fred Porter said that he has had trouble with individuals removing the *No Parking* signs along the road and said he will install cameras if need be.

- 2. Letter dated October 2, 2018 from Stephen L. Phillips regarding concerns with the Grindle Point Parking situation.
- 3. A handout from MMA regarding public access to town salt/sand sheds and how an injury resulted because of allowing people to enter a salt/sand shed. The handout provides helpful information and warns that a sand/salt shed can be hazardous and should not be accessed by the general public. Janet Anderson reported that Craig Olson has a barrel available at the Transfer Station.
- 4. Janet Anderson reported that she sent a Freedom of Access Act Request to the State for ferry ridership information and she received a letter back dated 9/20/18 from the D.O.T. letting her know that they are in the process of reviewing the request and will provide an estimate of staff time and costs as soon as practicable.

- **5. Fall TIF Workshop with Vernon Ziegler** on October 25 at 2:30 PM.
- 6. Janet Anderson reported on discussion at the Health Center Advisory Board Meeting of 9/27/18. She reported they talked about forming a Strategic Planning Committee to look at the needs of the Health Center and Fred Porter. They would look at the Town Office Building and perhaps other town facilities as well. Arch Gillies said that it is best if a Select Board member shepherd this project. Phil Seymour agreed to be an ex-officio and will talk more with Janet.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sign Thank You Letter to MSFS

The Select Board signed a letter thanking the MSFS for running two boats during the absence of the Margaret Chase Smith.

2. Sign Letter to Maine Bureau of Environmental Protection

The Select Board signed this letter dated October 4, 2018 requesting that the Maine Board of Environmental Protection support the change in water reclassification proposed by the Department of Environmental Protection.

It was noted that the minutes of September 19, 2018 do not reflect what is written in the letter. The minutes indicate that Steve Miller was **not** in support of this change. Peggy Pike and other Select Board members agree that they understood Steve Miller to say that he was **not** in support of the change. Janet Anderson will clarify this with Mr. Miller.

3. Select Board Policies - Review Chapter 485 "Town Facilities/Buildings"

Janet Anderson told the Select Board that the Way Forward Group would like to use the town office meeting room as they are not able to find another venue for a function they are holding tomorrow. The group does not have insurance. Janet said she has found insurance coverage through TULIP that can be purchased by groups or committees per event by going online. Gabe Pendleton thought a better alternative may be to look at the Town's Policy to see if additional coverage for this type of use could be secured rather than making groups purchase their own liability insurance.

Phil Seymour mentioned that the Ambulance Association is not a Town committee and they use the meeting room.

In any event, Janet Anderson wanted the Select Board to know that this policy existed. It was decided that it would be up to Janet's discretion, depending on the nature of use, whether she requires liability insurance to be obtained.

4. Waldo County Budget Committee Meeting

Gabe Pendleton reported that the Waldo County Budget Committee meets on

October 19, 2018. He asked Fred Porter if there were any additional services he would like to see provided to Islesboro from Waldo County. Fred says he will take all the summer police coverage that he can get, and feels currently they are doing a very good job providing services to Islesboro.

WARRANT #7 - FY 19:

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve Warrant #76 - FY19 in the amount of \$677,316.33. Motion passed 5-0.

APPOINTMENT:

MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by Phil Seymour to appoint Maegan Randlett to the Health Center Advisory Board. Motion passed 5-0.

CHAIR AND MEMBER COMMENTS:

ARCH GILLIES: Arch wondered if the Select Board should impose a ban on plastic

as he read this was happening in Camden. Hanna said that she believes the Island Market does not use plastic any more and neither does Durkee's Store. She said the Summer Shop uses paper. The Tarratine, however, was using both paper and plastic because of a well problem and no water. Arch says they are drilling

a new well and this problem will hopefully be solved.

SANDY OLIVER She suggested writing a letter to the stores thanking them for using

paper and reinforcing the importance of same.

Sandy also said that she recently asked a ferry agent if people have been polite and not complaining about the ferry situation. She was told for the most part they have not had any problems, other than with people from away who are not familiar with the situation.

PHIL SEYMOUR He wondered if they should be concerned with the ferry defense fund

running low as they have hit the halfway mark of funds available. Arch Gillies that he is not concerned as they will be raising more

money.

Phil Seymour agreed to be an ex-officio of the Grindle Point Parking

Committee.

MOTION BY S. OLIVER, seconded by H. KERR, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. MOTION passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike Secretary to the Islesboro Select Board