

**Islesboro Select Board  
Regular Meeting  
April 17, 2019  
Town Office Meeting Room**

**MINUTES**

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

Others Present: Janet Anderson - Town Manager, Donna Seymour, Douglas Welldon, Linda Gillies, Daniel Tutor, Bill Boardman - CEO, Richard DeGrasse, Jennifer West, Lauren Bruce and Fred Thomas

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

**MOTION BY H. Kerr , seconded by P. Seymour, to approve the minutes of April 3, 2019 as written. Motion passed 5-0.**

**MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by G. Pendleton, to approve the minutes of April 9, 2019 as written. Motion passed 5-0.**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Planning Board Meeting April 22, 2019 at 6:15 PM.  
DOT Public Hearing April 24, 2019, 10 AM, Hutchinson Center Belfast  
Annual Town Meeting April 27, 2019

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS/PETITIONS:**

**Daniel Tutor**

Daniel Tutor asked the Select Board to consider having the Town opt in for adult-use marijuana. Currently, towns have to opt in in order for individuals to get a license and Dan would like to proceed in getting his license. Bill Boardman suggested that the Select Board appoint an ad hoc committee to study this issue and that committee would draft an ordinance which would go to the town for a vote. Arch Gillies asked Dan Tutor if he would spearhead just such a committee, perhaps establishing a committee of 5 people. Arch said he always likes to have one member of the Select Board on an ad hoc committee and Gabe Pendleton agreed to be on it.. Daniel Tutor will work with Bill Boardman and Janet Anderson in forming this committee.

### **Report of Meeting with Commissioner Van Note on 4/13/19**

Commissioner Van Note met with Islesboro officials and citizens at GHK on April 13, 2019 from 2 - 4 PM. Gabe Pendleton said that Van Note appeared receptive to the various ideas that were brought forth at this meeting. Gabe also reported that he was in Augusta today and met with policy advisors for the purpose of brainstorming new rate structures with them. There are a number of ideas being considered, such as seasonal rates, or having each island come up with a target amount that must be met and letting them set their own rates. The next public hearing is in Belfast on April 24, 2019 at 10 AM. Gabe Pendleton and Phil Seymour will present Commissioner Van Note with figures. Gabe said they would be running free Quicksilver rides and arranging for a bus in Lincolnville to help transport islanders to the hearing. The Select Board decided to hold a workshop tomorrow to work on strategies for the public hearing on April 24, 2019. The Select Board agreed to send Commissioner Van Note a thank you letter for coming out to the island. Arch said he would draft the letter and the Select Board could sign it tomorrow at their workshop.

### **TOWN MANAGER REPORT:**

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

1. Handout dated 3/26/19 entitled "Anne Dillon House Planning Committee (HPC) - Public Approval Process - 2019.
2. School Board Minutes of March 12, 2019  
School Board Minutes of March 18, 2019 (Special Budget Meeting).  
Anne Dillon House Committee Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2019  
Update on Solar Project Minutes March 25, 2019  
School Board Minutes of April 1, 2019
3. There will be an Open House of the Islesboro Fire Department on May 4, 2019. Janet announced that there are two new members that have joined the Fire Department.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **SIGN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT FOR APRIL 27, 2019:**  
**MOTION by S. Oliver, seconded by H. Kerr, to approve the signing of the Town Meeting Warrant as presented. Motion passed 5-0.**
2. **Anne Dillon House Planning Committee (HPC)**  
Bill Boardman said that after the last Public Hearing in Sept of 2018, it was discussed that this house perhaps had to be ADA compliant. The Town Attorney, Sally Daggett, said that this does not have to be ADA compliant, but the HPC is going to build it ADA compliant anyway. The HPC presented the Select Board with a handout with dates of the process for public approval of the Anne Dillon House (see attachment) as well as a schematic drawing of the house. Bill Boardman said that upon completion of the project the School will take over management of the house. Language ensuring that the school can do this will be added to the referendum article and reviewed by Sally Daggett.

**MOTION BY G. Pendleton, seconded by H. Kerr, to schedule a Public Hearing for the Anne Dillon House on May 15, 2019 at 5 PM in the Town Office Meeting Room. Motion passed 5-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Shellfish Conservation 2019 Allocation and Fee Approval**

Janet explained that since the fees were taken out of the ordinance, the Select Board now has to approve allocation and fees recommended by the Shellfish Committee.

**MOTION by H. Kerr, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve the 2019 allocation and fees set forth by the Shellfish Committee. Motion passed 5-0.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**1. Pesticide Policy for the Municipality of Islesboro**

Sandy Oliver drafted a policy statement regarding pesticides for the municipality of Islesboro. It was clarified that this policy only governs municipal property. After review of the Policy Statement it was amended to read as follows:

“In order to prevent adverse effects on Islesboro’s soil, water, and wildlife, as well as on the health of the island’s residents and Town employees, it is the policy of the Select Board that the municipality of Islesboro avoid the use of synthetic herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and fertilizers in the care of Town owned property whenever possible. The decision is the responsibility of the Town Manager.”

**MOTION BY S. Oliver, seconded by H. Kerr, to accept this as a Select Board Policy as written above. Motion passed 5-0.**

Linda Gillies suggested that the Select Board consider making this a standing committee and perhaps broaden the scope and call it the “Environmental Health Committee”.

**WARRANT #21- FY 19:**

**MOTION BY H. Kerr, seconded by P. Seymour, to approve Warrant #21-FY 19 in the amount of \$276,530.96. Motion passed 5-0.**

**SELECT BOARD COMMENTS:**

Arch Gillies Thanked Sandy Oliver and Hanna Kerr for their hard work on the Select Board. This is officially their last meeting. He noted that it had been a pleasure to work with both of them and that it will be hard to find replacements for them.

Arch made a motion to create a resolution to thank both Hanna Kerr and Sandra Oliver for their service on the Select Board. G. Pendleton seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. H. Kerr and S. Oliver abstained.

Gabe Pendleton Thanked Sandy Oliver and Hanna Kerr for their work on the Select Board, calling them "cordial, diligent and talented" individuals to work with.

Gabe also said that at some point after the ferry rate issue has stopped being the focal point of attention, he would like to work on community development. He said a possible way to attract people to move here might be to give them a tax break on their property taxes. He also mentioned looking into the establishment of more businesses to help decrease the reasons people have to travel off island, such as a bank, hardware store, etc.

Phil Seymour Phil stated that he has also appreciated working with both Hanna and Sandy

Sandy Oliver Sandy commented on the information received back from Town Attorney, Sally Daggett in response to the proposed Food Sovereignty Ordinance. Sandy is not pleased with Sally's response but on the other hand is pleased with the review and suggestions by Marc Schnur. Sandy said "54 towns have passed this ordinance and we are going to keep working on this.". Gabe Pendleton seconded Sandy's position and stated "this is getting blown over by the town attorney." Arch Gillies said that "we don't always have to follow our lawyer" and asked Sandy to continue to look at other town ordinances and do comparisons. He would then like her to get together with Marc Schnur, run it by Sally Daggett, and bring it to the Select Board after that.

Hanna Kerr Hanna stated that it had been an "interesting five years" and will miss working with the Select Board.

MOTION BY S. Oliver, seconded by H. Kerr, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike  
Secretary to the Islesboro Select Board