MINUTES

Members Present:

Chair Gabe Pendleton, Lauren Bruce, and Melissa Burns

Others Present:

Town Manager Janet Anderson

Via Zoom: Linda Gillies

Absent: Vice Chair Shey Conover, Phil Seymour

Call to Order: Chair Gabe Pendleton called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the minutes of January 18, 2023 Regular Meeting, as written. No discussion. Motion passed, 3 yes, 0 no.

VISITOR COMMENTS/PETITIONS

None.

FERRY SERVICE UPDATE

G. Pendleton reported that State of Maine received a grant of roughly \$30M to build a hybrid ferry to replace the Margaret Chase Smith. The idea is to build a hybrid ferry that can run all-electric when the infrastructure on land is in place, and also, if the power is out and it can't charge, it can still run with a diesel option. There was also some concern about servicing electric components and whether that could be done locally or the boat would have to go farther afield, and charging along the way may not be an option.

SEA LEVEL RISE

S. Conover was absent, but G. Pendleton reported that the Sea Level Rise Committee is currently interviewing candidates for the Project Planning position.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PROJECT

L. Bruce stated that there was no update. J. Anderson reported that the Town has received \$913,604.00 in donations to date.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

• Planning Board: February 6th – 5pm

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Janet Anderson stated that tonight's agenda was revised to add executive session for concealed weapon permit renewal.

Shared via packet:

- Minutes of 2/1/2023 Select Board Regular Meeting.
- Maine Community Foundation 2022 Year-End Statement of \$1,464,307.39 of the Health Center endowment. We will ask for a \$57,240 distribution 7/1/23 Health Center revenue (FY23 distribution was \$56,810).
- Fred Porter reported that ferry captains have their state mobile phones and he is collecting numbers and revising the protocol.
- Sent out the 1/26/23 copy of press release on the \$33 million to improve Climate-Friendly Ferry Service.
- FY23 Warrant #16
- Next week sending out FY24 budget requests. Budget workshops will begin Wednesday, March 1, and will be held every Wednesday in March if needed.
- Town truck: Last week the truck had to go to Ford dealership for new plugs, coil, and wires. It had to be towed from Lincolnville to Belfast. Jordy reported this morning that they need to do another road test, but it should be ready by Friday.
- Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) update: We are not able to make the spring bond bank deadline of 2/8 (our bid opening date is 2/14/23) as we would need to have received all bids for the entire project. After talking with our auditor Marge Hall and Vern, J. Anderson decided to start using the donations in hand, which is more that sufficient until we go for the fall bond bank issue, or decide to go with Camden National Bank (CNB). As of today, we have \$912,604. Up-Island Public Safety Garage estimate is \$432,000 and architect's fees are \$302,000. The CNB BAN line of credit is just sitting there. J. Anderson has spoken with Paul Doody of CNB and he said there's no issue with cancelling it or keeping it available until June 30, when it would expire. J. Anderson didn't expect donations to flow in so quickly, or we might not have considered the BAN for the immediate term.
- M. Burns asked if the Maine Municipal Bond bank has given us a checklist of
 everything we need to apply now. J. Anderson answered that yes, we have an
 application, but we didn't get the application until about a week ago, which
 was after we decided we need a BAN.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. None

OTHER BUSINESS

1. None

APPROVE WARRANT: FY23 #16

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by M. Burns, to approve Warrant FY23 #16. No Discussion. Motion passed, 3 yes, 0 no.

APPOINTMENTS:

None

CHAIR COMMENTS

G. Pendleton had no comment.

VICE-CHAIR COMMENTS

S. Conover was absent.

INDIVIDUAL SELECT BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Lauren Bruce had no comment.

Melissa Burns had no comment.

Phil Seymour was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(F) and 25 MRSA § 2006 to consider concealed weapon permit renewal 2023-#1.

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by M. Burns, to enter into Executive Session. No Discussion. Motion passed, 3 yes, 0 no.

See attached Executive Session Notes by Janet Anderson.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Reed Secretary

.... Minutes of the 2/1/23 Select Board – Executive Session

Time in: 6:13pm

Motion by L. Bruce and seconded by M. Burns to **enter** executive session Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(F) and 25 MRSA § 2006 to consider concealed weapon permit application \$23-1.

VOTE: All in favor

Motion by L. Bruce and seconded by M. Burns to exit executive session.

Time out: 6:15pm VOTE: All in favor

Returned to the Regular Meeting

ACTION:

Upon a motion by M. Burns and seconded by L. Bruce it was voted to approve the concealed weapon permit #2023-1.

VOTE: G. Pendleton - abstained

L. Bruce – Yes M. Burns - Yes

Meeting adjourned at 6:18pm

Janet Anderson

W: Minutes EX SES