

Islesboro Select Board
Regular Meeting
Town Office Meeting Room & via Zoom
Wednesday, March 15, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

APPROVED

3/29/23

MINUTES

Members Present:

Chair Gabe Pendleton, Vice Chair Shey Conover, Phil Seymour, and Melissa Burns

Others Present:

Town Manager Janet Anderson

Via Zoom: Page Clason

Absent: Lauren Bruce

Call to Order: Chair Gabe Pendleton called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM (due to Budget Workshop going overtime) and a quorum was established.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to approve the minutes of March 1, 2023 Regular Meeting, as written. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no.

VISITOR COMMENTS/PETITIONS

None.

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to take the agenda out of order. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no.

Update on Email Hosting Service

- Page Clason reported that he's been doing research on options.
- Gabe Pendleton stated that we've put some money in the budget this year in anticipation of changing the email hosting service to something that perhaps costs more, based on Page's recommendation at a previous meeting.
- Page stated he will continue with his research and share with Janet for the next meeting.
- Shey Conover stated the Lighthouse Committee requested money in the budget for their website, and asked if it makes sense to figure out the Town website (with possible sidebar websites for committees) while we are looking at email hosting.
- Gabe Pendleton stated that perhaps in the future we could have an island fellow who could do a reasonable upgrade for the Town website and perhaps partner with another organization on the island that might need some assistance. To be discussed at a later date.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by P. Seymour, to go back in order of the agenda. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no.

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FERRY SERVICE UPDATE

G. Pendleton stated that Mark Higgins has resigned as the head of the Maine State Ferry Service. He received an email from Bill Pulver, who is second in charge at the DOT, that said they are covering with other personnel right now.

SEA LEVEL RISE

S. Conover reported that the next meeting is next Thursday, March 23rd. They are in the process of getting the contract signed with the facilitator/planner, Shri Verrill, who is very competent.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PROJECT

G. Pendleton reported that Myra Sinnott, the Chair of the Energy Committee, sent an email about a potential grant opportunity to help fund some aspects of the Municipal Building Project. Gabe, Lauren, Janet, Cressica, and others have spent a lot of time on that this week. The application is due Friday. A big thanks to the folks on the Energy Committee for finding the grant and following through with making that happen. J. Anderson added that it's for energy-efficiency equipment as well as medical equipment and supplies for the Health Center, so Dorie gave Cressica a list, and Cressica has reported that the total they came up with is about \$810,000.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Planning Board: March 27th – 5pm

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Janet Anderson reported that she's been working with Cressica on the Health Center grant. She was in today and Janet sent an email to Shri to ask a couple questions about the proposal she had sent. Janet is excited to have her working here with us. Janet has been focusing on the budget this past week. She shared via the packet:

- Minutes of 3/1/2023 Select Board Regular Meeting.
- 3/8/23 Email from Donald Shand regarding the resignation of Mark Higgins from the Ferry Service effective Friday, March 10th.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update "Islesboro Looking Ahead" for 2023
 - G. Pendleton stated he has not finished the draft yet. He will try to get it done by the next meeting.
2. Update on Email Hosting Service (above)

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Town Manager's Contract

- Janet Anderson's contract is up at the end of June, and she would like to extend for another two years. She did not ask for a cost-of-living raise.
- G. Pendleton stated that he thinks this is reasonable. It's good for the Town to keep the consistency of someone who's done a good job and knows the system. Discussion about the next steps. We should have an executive session at the next Select Board meeting to discuss the contract.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. None

APPROVE WARRANT: FY23 #19

MOTION BY P. Seymour, seconded by M. Burns, to approve Warrant FY23 #19. No Discussion. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no.

APPOINTMENTS:

None

CHAIR COMMENTS

None

VICE-CHAIR COMMENTS

None

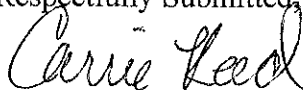
INDIVIDUAL SELECT BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Phil Seymour had no comment.

Melissa Burns said, "Drive safe!"

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by G. Pendleton, to Adjourn Meeting at 6:25 PM. No Discussion. Motion passed, 4 yes, 0 no.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carrie Reed
Secretary

