

MINUTES

Members Present:

Chair Shey Conover, Vice Chair Lauren Bruce, Melissa Burns, and Peter Anderson

Members Present via Zoom: Stephen Pendleton

Others Present:

Town Manager Janet Anderson

Others Present via Zoom:

Maggy Willcox, Peter Willcox, Fred Porter

Call to Order: Chair Shey Conover called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, and a quorum was established.

Minutes of July 24, 2024 Special Meeting, and July 31, 2024, Regular Meeting.

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by P. Anderson, to approve the minutes of July 24, 2024 Special Meeting and July 31, 2024 Regular Meeting, as written. No discussion. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

VISITOR COMMENTS/PETITIONS

None.

FERRY SERVICE UPDATE

No update.

SEA LEVEL RISE

S. Conover reported that the next SLR meeting will be Tuesday, August 20th at 5:30pm. Goodbye reception for Island Fellow Liv Lenfestey ending fellowship, August 27th, 5:00pm. We received word that we were awarded \$75,000 to continue planning.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PROJECT

L. Bruce reported that the committee is getting close to having key things pinned down on the Up-Island Public Safety Garage.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- MDOT Public Info Meeting: August 22nd, 6:00pm. In Town Office re: Ferry Terminal Project
- Planning Board: August 26th, 5:00pm.
- Sea Level Rise: August 20th, 5:30pm.
- Subcommittee Report for Lighthouse Committee: M. Burns reported she received word from Ken Smith that they have received \$13,405 in renovation donations. They've recently started accepting credit card payments at the museum. For each day in a one-week span, over 75% of sales were by credit card. There's been a 200% increase in sales over last year during that week.
- L. Bruce added that last night there was a get together at the Lighthouse to celebrate the Puma model's return after being restored. It was a sweet event.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- Packet included Agenda for 8/14/24 and Minutes of 7/24/24 Select Board Special Meeting and 7/31/24 Select Board Regular Meeting.
- Committee Minutes:
 - o 7/25/24 Lighthouse Committee minutes.
- Correspondence
 - o Bar Harbor Wealth Management July Sub-accounting report.
 - o 8/8/24 Maine DOT letter regarding \$75,000 grant for the Narrows.
 - 8/9/24 notice from DOT re: 8/22 Public Meeting for Ferry Terminal improvements
 - Received on 8/7 from Ed Bacon \$100 donation for childcare at future Town Meetings.
 - 8/7/24 email from Fred Porter, Vice Chair of the Safe Roads Committee, and Jeff Glotzl, Chair, recommending closure of this committee.

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by L. Bruce, to close the Safe Roads Committee. Discussion: S. Conover thanked Fred Porter for action on this. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

- Manager
 - 8/7 Tina sent out 677 Broadband bills coming at just over \$250,000.
 - Karen & Dick Cilley's home burned on 8/8. There are various ways people are donating.
 - The GoFundMe page is at \$77,000
 - The Meal Train is filled through next Wednesday
 - Pete has been able to raise about \$800 \$900
 - Jen McFarland has also been raising money
 - Checks are being collected by Melissa at the school
 - The Second Baptist Church is collecting for them
 - Both stores have accounts for them, which folks can donate to.

- Great response from our Fire & Emergency teams, and Lincolnville.
- o 8/13 the roads were striped.
- o 8/20 taxes will be committed, and tax bills will go out soon after.
- Warrant FY25 #4

CORRESPONDENCE

No other correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Lessons Learned from Town Meeting
 - S. Pendleton asked if we've put out the survey. J. Anderson replied that we haven't. S. Pendleton stated it's too late to pursue this at this point.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Resolution of the Select Board authorizing the sale of \$2,616,332 General Obligation Bonds.
 - This is the total amount that was approved between two Town Meetings.
 - J. Anderson stated that in this case we're going to spend it within a year. We won't get it until November. We have donation money to carry us over.

MOTION BY L. Bruce, seconded by P. Anderson, to authorize the sale of \$2,616,332 General Obligation Bonds. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

- 2. Opening for MSFS Advisory Board Member.
 - S. Conover stated that it's exciting to see a lot of interest from people with a variety of interesting and relevant backgrounds.
 - We have letters received from Peter Willcox, Peter Rothschild, Michael Giardino, Frank Start, and Robert Kochan.
 - P. Anderson asked if there's a residency requirement for this position. S. Conover stated it wasn't part of the posting, but it's a good point to articulate.
 - Fred Porter asked if there would be a conflict of interest if a Ferry employee is in this position. S. Conover replied that she asked this question of John King, and he is not aware of any specific rule of the Advisory Board. It relies on the professionalism of the member.

APPROVE WARRANT: FY25 #4

MOTION BY M. Burns, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve Warrant FY25 #4. No discussion. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

APPOINTMENTS:

Annual Slate of Committee Appointments

- Two additional people for the SLR Committee: Peter Rothschild and Lauren Bruce. We can put these on the agenda for the next meeting.
- The Energy Committee has two new members for the next meeting also.

MOTION BY P. Anderson, seconded by L. Bruce, to approve the Slate of Committee Appointments. No discussion. Roll Call. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

CHAIR COMMENTS

S. Conover: A big thank you to Fire & Emergency Personnel for help with the Cilley's structure fire. It's nice to live in a community that steps up when someone is in need.

VICE-CHAIR COMMENTS

L. Bruce: Ditto. Thank you. It's one amazing community.

INDIVIDUAL SELECT BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- P. Anderson: Triple ditto. Also, thank you to everyone who donated at Big Island Grille. It made a big difference.
- M. Burns: What an amazing community that we live in. Pete Anderson had a salutatorian speech that talked about the importance of community, solidarity, and camaraderie that could be revisited. Thank you, everyone.
- S. Pendleton: Outstanding participation on the fire.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Concealed Weapon Renewal #FY25-1 pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(F); 25 MRSA §2006
- 2. MSFS Advisory Board Member Personnel matter pursuant to 1 MRSA §405(6)(A)

MOTION BY P. Anderson, seconded by M. Burns, to enter into Executive Session at 6:27 PM. No Discussion. Motion passed, 5 yes, 0 no.

See attached Executive Session Notes

Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Reed Secretary

.... Minutes of the 8/14/24 Select Board – Executive Sessions

Session #1

<u>Time in: 6:30pm</u> Motion by L. Bruce and seconded by P. Anderson to **enter** executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(F) and 25 MRSA § 2006 to consider concealed weapon permit application FY25#1.

VOTE: All in favor to enter executive session.

Motion by M. Burns and seconded by S. Conover to exit executive session.

Time out: 6:34pm VOTE: All in favor

Returned to the Regular Meeting 6:35pm

ACTION taken:

On a motion by P. Anderson and seconded by M. Burns, moved to approve the concealed weapon permit in case FY25-#1.

Shey-Yes

Melissa-Yes

Lauren-Yes

Peter-Yes

Stephen-Abstained

Session #2

Time in: 6:40pm All in favor to enter the meeting.

To consider MSAB new alternate member pursuant to personnel matters 1 MRSA §405(6)(A).

Time out: 6:51pm

Back to public session

ACTION taken:

On a motion by M. Burns and seconded by L. Bruce it was vote to choose Peter Willcox to serve as our MSFS Advisory Board alternate member.

VOTE: Shey-Yes

Lauren-YES

Melissa-YES

Pete-YES

Stephen-Abstain

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm

Janet Anderson

W: Minutes EX SES

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