



## TOWN OF VINALHAVEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### MINUTES

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

5:30 pm

Virtual Meeting

1. **Roll Call** – *Selectmen Eric Gasperini, Phil Crossman, Jacob Thompson, and Donald Poole; and Town Manager Andrew Dorr. Pam Alley was absent.*
2. **Approve Agenda** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
3. **Minutes – Approve the Minutes from August 18, 2020 Meeting** – *Motion by Phil Crossman to approve the Minutes from the August 18, 2020 meeting. Second by Eric Gasperini. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
4. **Approve and Sign Treasurer’s Warrant #9** – *Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve and sign Treasurer’s Warrant #9. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*
5. **Communications** - *None*
6. **Speakers from the Floor** - *None*
7. **Committee and Department Reports/Appointments**
  - a. **Road Commissioners Report** – *The Road Commissioners Report was reviewed. The Board commended the ditching work being done.*
8. **Old Business**
9. **New Business**
  - a. **Knox County Sheriff Contract** – *The Selectmen reviewed goals discussed at the Special Town Meeting. There was a consensus of the Board to request 80 hours/wk coverage, preferably during overnight hours. There was discussion on the cost breakdown and the hope that Knox County will cost share the request for an additional deputy (a second 40-hour shift on Vinalhaven). Donald asked about having a deputy attend a Selectmen’s meeting once a month, and making sure reports are provided to the board. Andy said there is a daily report that gets sent to the Town Clerk and he can make sure that gets forwarded to the Board (it is a county wide report, but lists the activity of the previous day). The Board agreed that any report would be better than what they have been getting recently.*
  - b. **FY 2021 Wastewater Department Budget and Rates** – *The Board previously reviewed the proposed rate changes for the FY21 Sewer Department budget and the Board had asked Andy to look into what that increase would look like on an average bill. Currently users are assessed \$5.75/hundred cubic feet of water, with a proposal to increase the rate by \$3/hundred cubic feet. Based on 2019 consumption data, the average sewer user*

would see an increase of approximately \$112, or \$28 per quarter. This increase would fund a Reserve used for maintenance (pumps, line cleaning, etc.)

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to approve the Sewer Commissioners request to raise the volumetric charge for the FY2021. Second by Phil Crossman. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

**10. Report of Town Manager – The Board reviewed Andy’s report.**

*DPW Facility: Jake Stanley has requested to stay in the building until November 1<sup>st</sup>. The Board agreed.*

*Net Your Problem: Based primarily on the West Coast, but work with communities to divert mostly rope, nets, and hard plastics from the waste stream. They would like to come out and meet with the Board and Waste Watchers in September.*

*Kevin Waters Bench – It was agreed to pursue two benches (offered by Wes Reed and Randy Farnham) and either offer one to Knox Regional Airport as a gift, or place both here at the air strip.*

**11. Report of Members**

**Phil Crossman** – *Asked where the airport extension survey stands. Andy is still trying to lock into a date as they are all booked through September. Most are scheduling 1-3 months.*

*-Asked if Andy had spoken with Kevin about pouring a pad under the Galamander. He hasn’t communicated with Kevin yet.*

*-Asked if there was any progress on the sidewalk from Ingerson down High Street to the intersection of the North Haven Road/Old Harbor Road. Andy said he is meeting with Danny and Kevin this week.*

*-Asked about scheduling a Public Hearing for the Helicopter and Quarry Ordinance. Andy said the Commission has been meeting monthly and should have a Land Use Ordinance ready for review soon.*

**Eric Gasperini** – *Asked about removing boat trailers from the Town Parking lot. Those that have numbers, the owners should be notified; for those without identification notices can be posed on social media and at local businesses.*

**12. Executive Session – Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(c) = Real Estate Negotiation related to the DPW Facility –**

*Motion by Eric Gasperini to enter into Executive Session. Second by Donald Poole. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.*

*Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ to come out of Executive Session. Second by \_\_\_\_\_. Vote \_\_\_\_\_. Motion carried.*

**13. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn by \_\_\_\_\_. Second by \_\_\_\_\_. Vote 4-0-0. Motion carried.**

*Respectfully Submitted,*

---

*Elizabeth Bunker, Deputy Town Clerk*